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## Day 110. 19-April Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

#### Job 19.

#### 1 . Job Trusts in His Redeemer. .

Then Job answered,

2 "How long will you torment me, and crush me with words?

3 You have reproached me ten times. You aren't ashamed that you attack me.

4 If it is true that I have erred, my error remains with myself.

5 If indeed you will magnify yourselves against me, and plead against me my reproach;

6 know now that ELOHIM has subverted me, and has surrounded me with his net.

7 "Behold, I cry out of wrong, but I am not heard. I cry for help, but there is no justice.

8 He has walled up my way so that I can't pass, and has set darkness in my paths.

9 He has stripped me of my glory, and taken the crown from my head.

**10** He has broken me down on every side, and I am gone. My hope he has plucked up like a tree.

11 He has also kindled his wrath against me. He counts me among his adversaries.12 His troops come on together, build a siege ramp against me, and encamp around my tent.

13 "He has put my brothers far from me. My acquaintances are wholly estranged from me.

14 My relatives have gone away. My familiar friends have forgotten me.

15 Those who dwell in my house, and my maids, count me for a stranger. I am an alien in their sight.

16 I call to my servant, and he gives me no answer. I beg him with my mouth.

17 My breath is offensive to my wife. I am loathsome to the children of my own mother.

18 Even young children despise me. If I arise, they speak against me.

19 All my familiar friends abhor me. They whom I loved have turned against me.

20 My bones stick to my skin and to my flesh. I have escaped by the skin of my teeth. 21 "Have pity on me, have pity on me, you my friends; for the hand of ELOHIM has touched me.

22 Why do you persecute me as EL, and are not satisfied with my flesh?

23 "Oh that my words were now written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

24 That with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!

25 But as for me, I know that my Redeemer lives. In the end, he will stand upon the earth.

26 After my skin is destroyed, then in my flesh shall I see ELOHIM,

27 Whom I, even I, shall see on my side. My eyes shall see, and not as a stranger. "My heart is consumed within me.

28 If you say, 'How we will persecute him!' because the root of the matter is found in me,

29 be afraid of the sword, for wrath brings the punishments of the sword, that you may know there is a judgment."

# Psalms 109.

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

For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by David. ELOHIM of my praise, don't remain silent, 2 for they have opened the mouth of the wicked and the mouth of deceit against me. They have spoken to me with a lying tongue.

3 They have also surrounded me with words of hatred, and fought against me without a

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cause.

4 In return for my love, they are my adversaries; but I am in prayer.

5 They have rewarded me evil for good, and hatred for my love.

6 Set a wicked man over him. Let an adversary stand at his right hand.

7 When he is judged, let him come forth guilty. Let his prayer be turned into sin.

8 Let his days be few. Let another take his office.

9 Let his children be fatherless, and his wife a widow.

10 Let his children be wandering beggars. Let them be sought from their ruins.

11 Let the creditor seize all that he has. Let strangers plunder the fruit of his labor.

12 Let there be none to extend kindness to him, neither let there be any to have pity on his fatherless children.

13 Let his posterity be cut off. In the generation following let their name be blotted out.14 Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered by YHWH! Don't let the sin of his mother be blotted out.

15 Let them be before YHWH continually, that he may cut off their memory from the earth;

16 because he didn't remember to show kindness, but persecuted the poor and needy man, the broken in heart, to kill them.

17 Yes, he loved cursing, and it came to him. He didn't delight in blessing, and it was far from him.

18 He clothed himself also with cursing as with his garment. It came into his inward parts like water, like oil into his bones.

19 Let it be to him as the clothing with which he covers himself, for the belt that is always around him.

**20** This is the reward of my adversaries from YHWH, of those who speak evil against my soul.

**21** But deal with me, YHWH ADONAI, for your name's sake, because your loving kindness is good, deliver me;

22 for I am poor and needy. My heart is wounded within me.

23 I fade away like an evening shadow. I am shaken off like a locust.

24 My knees are weak through fasting. My body is thin and lacks fat.

25 I have also become a reproach to them. When they see me, they shake their head.

26 Help me, YHWH, my ELOHIM! Save me according to your loving kindness;

27 that they may know that this is your hand; that you, YHWH, have done it.

28 They may curse, but you bless. When they arise, they will be shamed, but your servant shall rejoice.

29 Let my adversaries be clothed with dishonor. Let them cover themselves with their own shame as with a robe.

30 I will give great thanks to YHWH with my mouth. Yes, I will praise him among the multitude.

**31** For he will stand at the right hand of the needy, to save him from those who judge his soul.

#### 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

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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.

# 12 . 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.

# 20 <u>. Beware of Adultery. .</u>

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 eyelids.

26 For a prostitute reduces you to a piece of bread. The adulteress hunts for your precious life.

<sup>2</sup>7 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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