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1 . The Family of Elkanah. . 1 The First Book of Samuel!_____

Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim Zophim, of the hill country of Ephraim, and his name was Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu, the son of Zuph, an Ephraimite:

2 and he had two wives; the name of the one was Hannah, and the name of other Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

3 This man went up out of his city from year to year to worship and to sacrifice to YHWH of Hosts in Shiloh. The two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, priests to YHWH, were there.

4 When the day came that Elkanah sacrificed, he gave to Peninnah his wife, and to all her sons and her daughters, portions:

5 but to Hannah he gave a double portion; for he loved Hannah, but YHWH had shut up her womb.

6 Her rival provoked her severely, to make her fret, because YHWH had shut up her womb.

7 As he did so year by year, when she went up to the house of YHWH, so she provoked her; therefore she wept, and didn't eat.

8 . Hannah's Vow. ._____

Elkanah her husband said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why don't you eat? Why is your heart grieved? Am I not better to you than ten sons?"

9 So Hannah rose up after they had eaten in Shiloh, and after they had drunk. Now Eli the priest was sitting on his seat by the doorpost of the temple of YHWH!

10 She was in bitterness of soul, and prayed to YHWH, and wept bitterly.

11 She vowed a vow, and said, "YHWH of Hosts, if you will indeed look on the affliction of your handmaid, and remember me, and not forget your handmaid, but will give to your handmaid a boy, then I will give him to YHWH all the days of his life, and no razor shall come on his head."

12 It happened, as she continued praying before YHWH, that Eli saw her mouth.

13 Now Hannah spoke in her heart. Only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard. Therefore Eli thought she had been drunken.

14 Eli said to her, "How long will you be drunken? Put away your wine from you."

15 Hannah answered, "No, my master, I am a woman of a sorrowful spirit. I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I poured out my soul before YHWH!

16 Don't count your handmaid for a wicked woman; for I have been speaking out of the abundance of my complaint and my provocation."

17 Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; and may the ELOHIM of Israel grant your petition that you have asked of him."

18 She said, "Let your handmaid find favor in your sight." So the woman went her way, and ate; and her facial expression wasn't sad any more.

19 . Samuel Is Born and Dedicated. ._____

They rose up in the morning early, and worshiped before YHWH, and returned, and came to their house to Ramah: and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and YHWH remembered her.

20 It happened, when the time had come, that Hannah conceived, and bore a son; and

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she named him Samuel, saying, "Because I have asked him of YHWH!"

21 The man Elkanah, and all his house, went up to offer to YHWH the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.

22 But Hannah didn't go up; for she said to her husband, "Not until the child is weaned; then I will bring him, that he may appear before YHWH, and stay there forever."

23 Elkanah her husband said to her, "Do what seems good to you. Wait until you have weaned him; only may YHWH establish his word." So the woman waited and nursed her son, until she weaned him.

24 When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with three bulls, and one ephah of meal, and a bottle of wine, and brought him to YHWH's house in Shiloh. The child was young.

25 They killed the bull, and brought the child to Eli.

26 She said, "Oh, my master, as your soul lives, my master, I am the woman who stood by you here, praying to YHWH!"

27 For this child I prayed; and YHWH has given me my petition which I asked of him.

28 Therefore also I have granted him to YHWH! As long as he lives he is granted to YHWH!" He worshiped YHWH there.

1 . Hannah's Prayer. .

Hannah prayed, and said: "My heart exults in YHWH! My horn is exalted in YHWH! My mouth is enlarged over my enemies, because I rejoice in your salvation.

2 There is no one as holy as YHWH, For there is no one besides you, nor is there any rock like our ELOHIM!

3 "Talk no more so exceeding proudly. Don't let arrogance come out of your mouth, For YHWH is EL of knowledge. By him actions are weighed.

4 "The bows of the mighty men are broken. Those who stumbled are armed with strength.

5 Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread. Those who were hungry are satisfied. Yes, the barren has borne seven. She who has many children languishes.

6 "YHWH kills, and makes alive. He brings down to Sheol, and brings up.

7 YHWH makes poor, and makes rich. He brings low, he also lifts up.

8 He raises up the poor out of the dust. He lifts up the needy from the dunghill, To make them sit with princes, and inherit the throne of glory. For the pillars of the earth are YHWH's. He has set the world on them.

9 He will keep the feet of his holy ones, but the wicked shall be put to silence in darkness; for no man shall prevail by strength.

10 Those who strive with YHWH shall be broken to pieces. He will thunder against them in the sky. "YHWH will judge the ends of the earth. He will give strength to his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed."

11 Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. The child served YHWH before Eli the priest.

Psalms 49.

1 . To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. .

For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by the sons of Korah. Hear this, all you peoples. Listen, all you inhabitants of the world,

2 both low and high, rich and poor together.

3 My mouth will speak words of wisdom. My heart shall utter understanding.

4 I will incline my ear to a proverb. I will open my riddle on the harp.

5 Why should I fear in the days of evil, when iniquity at my heels surrounds me?

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- 6 Those who trust in their wealth, and boast in the multitude of their riches
7 none of them can by any means redeem his brother, nor give ELOHIM a ransom for him.
8 For the redemption of their life is costly, no payment is ever enough,
9 That he should live on forever, that he should not see corruption.
10 For he sees that wise men die; likewise the fool and the senseless perish, and leave their wealth to others.
11 Their inward thought is that their houses will endure forever, and their dwelling places to all generations. They name their lands after themselves.
12 But man, despite his riches, doesn't endure. He is like the animals that perish.
13 This is the destiny of those who are foolish, and of those who approve their sayings. Selah.
14 They are appointed as a flock for Sheol. Death shall be their shepherd. The upright shall have dominion over them in the morning. Their beauty shall decay in Sheol, far from their mansion.
15 But ELOHIM will redeem my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me. Selah.
16 Don't be afraid when a man is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased.
17 For when he dies he shall carry nothing away. His glory shall not descend after him.
18 Though while he lived he blessed his soul and men praise you when you do well for yourself
19 he shall go to the generation of his fathers. They shall never see the light.
20 A man who has riches without understanding, is like the animals that perish.

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.

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

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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 . Beware of Adultery. .

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.

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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