

## 28 May Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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#### 1 Samuel 12.

##### 1 Samuel's Address at Saul's Coronation.

Samuel said to all Israel, "Behold, I have listened to your voice in all that you said to me, and have made a king over you.

2 Now, behold, the king walks before you; and I am old and gray-headed; and behold, my sons are with you: and I have walked before you from my youth to this day.

3 Here I am. Witness against me before YHWH, and before his anointed. Whose ox have I taken? Whose donkey have I taken? Whom have I defrauded? Whom have I oppressed? Of whose hand have I taken a ransom to blind my eyes therewith? I will restore it to you."

4 They said, "You have not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither have you taken anything of any man's hand."

5 He said to them, "YHWH is witness against you, and his anointed is witness this day, that you have not found anything in my hand." They said, "He is witness."

6 Samuel said to the people, "It is YHWH who appointed Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up out of the land of Egypt.

7 Now therefore stand still, that I may plead with you before YHWH concerning all the righteous acts of YHWH, which he did to you and to your fathers.

8 "When Jacob had come into Egypt, and your fathers cried to YHWH, then YHWH sent Moses and Aaron, who brought your fathers out of Egypt, and made them to dwell in this place.

9 "But they forgot YHWH their ELOHIM; and he sold them into the hand of Sisera, captain of the army of Hazor, and into the hand of the Philistines, and into the hand of the king of Moab; and they fought against them.

10 They cried to YHWH, and said, 'We have sinned, because we have forsaken YHWH, and have served the Baals and the Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies, and we will serve you.'

11 YHWH sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side; and you lived in safety.

12 "When you saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, you said to me, 'No, but a king shall reign over us; when YHWH your ELOHIM was your king.

13 Now therefore see the king whom you have chosen, and whom you have asked for: and behold, YHWH has set a king over you.

14 If you will fear YHWH, and serve him, and listen to his voice, and not rebel against the commandment of YHWH, then both you and also the king who reigns over you are followers of YHWH your ELOHIM!

15 But if you will not listen to the voice of YHWH, but rebel against the commandment of YHWH, then will the hand of YHWH be against you, as it was against your fathers.

16 "Now therefore stand still and see this great thing, which YHWH will do before your eyes.

17 Isn't it wheat harvest today? I will call to YHWH, that he may send thunder and rain; and you shall know and see that your wickedness is great, which you have done in the sight of YHWH, in asking for a king."

18 So Samuel called to YHWH; and YHWH sent thunder and rain that day: and all the people greatly feared YHWH and Samuel.

19 All the people said to Samuel, "Pray for your servants to YHWH your ELOHIM, that we not die; for we have added to all our sins this evil, to ask us a king."

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- 20 Samuel said to the people, “Don’t be afraid. You have indeed done all this evil; yet don’t turn aside from following YHWH, but serve YHWH with all your heart.  
21 Don’t turn aside to go after vain things which can’t profit nor deliver, for they are vain.  
22 For YHWH will not forsake his people for his great name’s sake, because it has pleased YHWH to make you a people to himself.  
23 Moreover as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against YHWH in ceasing to pray for you: but I will instruct you in the good and the right way.  
24 Only fear YHWH, and serve him in truth with all your heart; for consider how great things he has done for you.  
25 But if you shall still do wickedly, you shall be consumed, both you and your king.”

### Psalms 57.

#### **1 \_\_\_\_\_. “To the Chief Musician. Set to Do Not Destroy. A Michtam of David when he fled from Saul into the cave.. .\_\_\_\_\_**

For the Chief Musician. To the tune of “Do Not Destroy.” A poem by David, when he fled from Saul, in the cave. Be merciful to me, ELOHIM, be merciful to me, for my soul takes refuge in you. Yes, in the shadow of your wings, I will take refuge, until disaster has passed.

- 2 I cry out to ELOHIM Most High, to EL who accomplishes my requests for me.  
3 He will send from heaven, and save me, he rebukes the one who is pursuing me. Selah. ELOHIM will send out his loving kindness and his truth.  
4 My soul is among lions. I lie among those who are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.  
5 Be exalted, ELOHIM, above the heavens! Let your glory be above all the earth!  
6 They have prepared a net for my steps. My soul is bowed down. They dig a pit before me. They fall into its midst themselves. Selah.  
7 My heart is steadfast, ELOHIM, my heart is steadfast. I will sing, yes, I will sing praises.  
8 Wake up, my glory! Wake up, psaltery and harp! I will wake up the dawn.  
9 I will give thanks to you, ADONAI, among the peoples. I will sing praises to you among the nations.  
10 For your great loving kindness reaches to the heavens, and your truth to the skies.  
11 Be exalted, ELOHIM, above the heavens. Let your glory be over all the earth.

### Proverbs 14.

- 1 Every wise woman builds her house, but the foolish one tears it down with her own hands.  
2 He who walks in his uprightness fears YHWH, but he who is perverse in his ways despises him.  
3 The fool’s talk brings a rod to his back, but the lips of the wise protect them.  
4 Where no oxen are, the crib is clean, but much increase is by the strength of the ox.  
5 A truthful witness will not lie, but a false witness pours out lies.  
6 A scoffer seeks wisdom, and doesn’t find it, but knowledge comes easily to a discerning person.  
7 Stay away from a foolish man, for you won’t find knowledge on his lips.  
8 The wisdom of the prudent is to think about his way, but the folly of fools is deceit.  
9 Fools mock at making atonement for sins, but among the upright there is good will.  
10 The heart knows its own bitterness and joy; he will not share these with a stranger.  
11 The house of the wicked will be overthrown, but the tent of the upright will flourish.

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- 12 There is a way which seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.
- 13 Even in laughter the heart may be sorrowful, and mirth may end in heaviness.
- 14 The unfaithful will be repaid for his own ways; likewise a good man will be rewarded for his ways.
- 15 A simple man believes everything, but the prudent man carefully considers his ways.
- 16 A wise man fears, and shuns evil, but the fool is hotheaded and reckless.
- 17 He who is quick to become angry will commit folly, and a crafty man is hated.
- 18 The simple inherit folly, but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.
- 19 The evil bow down before the good, and the wicked at the gates of the righteous.
- 20 The poor person is shunned even by his own neighbor, but the rich person has many friends.
- 21 He who despises his neighbor sins, but blessed is he who has pity on the poor.
- 22 Don't they go astray who plot evil? But love and faithfulness belong to those who plan good.
- 23 In all hard work there is profit, but the talk of the lips leads only to poverty.
- 24 The crown of the wise is their riches, but the folly of fools crowns them with folly.
- 25 A truthful witness saves souls, but a false witness is deceitful.
- 26 In the fear of YHWH is a secure fortress, and he will be a refuge for his children.
- 27 The fear of YHWH is a fountain of life, turning people from the snares of death.
- 28 In the multitude of people is the king's glory, but in the lack of people is the destruction of the prince.
- 29 He who is slow to anger has great understanding, but he who has a quick temper displays folly.
- 30 The life of the body is a heart at peace, but envy rots the bones.
- 31 He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for his Maker, but he who is kind to the needy honors him.
- 32 The wicked is brought down in his calamity, but in death, the righteous has a refuge.
- 33 Wisdom rests in the heart of one who has understanding, and is even made known in the inward part of fools.
- 34 Righteousness exalts a nation, but sin is a disgrace to any people.
- 35 The king's favor is toward a servant who deals wisely, but his wrath is toward one who causes shame.

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