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1 Samuel 16.

1 . David Anointed King. .

YHWH said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite; for I have provided a king for myself among his sons.”

2 Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me.” YHWH said, “Take a heifer with you, and say, I have come to sacrifice to YHWH!

3 Call Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. You shall anoint to me him whom I name to you.”

4 Samuel did that which YHWH spoke, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, “Do you come peaceably?”

5 He said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to YHWH! Sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.” He sanctified Jesse and his sons, and called them to the sacrifice.

6 It happened, when they had come, that he looked at Eliab, and said, “Surely YHWH’s anointed is before him.”

7 But YHWH said to Samuel, “Don’t look on his face, or on the height of his stature; because I have rejected him: for I see not as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but YHWH looks at the heart.”

8 Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, “Neither has YHWH chosen this one.”

9 Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. He said, “Neither has YHWH chosen this one.”

10 Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel. Samuel said to Jesse, “YHWH has not chosen these.”

11 Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your children here?” He said, “There remains yet the youngest, and behold, he is keeping the sheep.” Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and get him; for we will not sit down until he comes here.”

12 He sent, and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a beautiful face, and goodly to look on. YHWH said, “Arise, anoint him; for this is he.”

13 Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brothers: and the Spirit of YHWH came mightily on David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah.

14 . A Distressing Spirit Troubles Saul. .

Now the Spirit of YHWH departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from YHWH troubled him.

15 Saul’s servants said to him, “See now, an evil spirit from ELOHIM troubles you.

16 Let our master now command your servants who are before you, to seek out a man who is a skillful player on the harp. It shall happen, when the evil spirit from ELOHIM is on you, that he shall play with his hand, and you shall be well.”

17 Saul said to his servants, “Provide me now a man who can play well, and bring him to me.”

18 Then one of the young men answered, and said, “Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite, who is skillful in playing, a mighty man of valor, a man of war, prudent in speech, and a comely person; and YHWH is with him.”

19 Therefore Saul sent messengers to Jesse, and said, “Send me David your son, who is with the sheep.”

20 Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a young goat, and

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sent them by David his son to Saul.

21 David came to Saul, and stood before him. He loved him greatly; and he became his armor bearer.

22 Saul sent to Jesse, saying, "Please let David stand before me; for he has found favor in my sight."

23 It happened, when the spirit from ELOHIM was on Saul, that David took the harp, and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.

Psalms 61.

1 _____. To the Chief Musician. On a stringed instrument. A Psalm of David..

For the Chief Musician. For a stringed instrument. By David. Hear my cry, ELOHIM! Listen to my prayer.

2 From the end of the earth, I will call to you, when my heart is overwhelmed. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

3 For you have been a refuge for me, a strong tower from the enemy.

4 I will dwell in your tent forever. I will take refuge in the shelter of your wings. Selah.

5 For you, ELOHIM, have heard my vows. You have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.

6 You will prolong the king's life; his years shall be for generations.

7 He shall be enthroned in ELOHIM's presence forever. Appoint your loving kindness and truth, that they may preserve him.

8 So I will sing praise to your name forever, that I may fulfill my vows daily.

Proverbs 18.

1 An unfriendly man pursues selfishness, and defies all sound judgment.

2 A fool has no delight in understanding, but only in revealing his own opinion.

3 When wickedness comes, contempt also comes, and with shame comes disgrace.

4 The words of a man's mouth are like deep waters. The fountain of wisdom is like a flowing brook.

5 To be partial to the faces of the wicked is not good, nor to deprive the innocent of justice.

6 A fool's lips come into strife, and his mouth invites beatings.

7 A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are a snare to his soul.

8 The words of a gossip are like dainty morsels: they go down into a person's innermost parts.

9 One who is slack in his work is brother to him who is a master of destruction.

10 The name of YHWH is a strong tower: the righteous run to him, and are safe.

11 The rich man's wealth is his strong city, like an unscalable wall in his own imagination.

12 Before destruction the heart of man is proud, but before honor is humility.

13 He who gives answer before he hears, that is folly and shame to him.

14 A man's spirit will sustain him in sickness, but a crushed spirit, who can bear?

15 The heart of the discerning gets knowledge. The ear of the wise seeks knowledge.

16 A man's gift makes room for him, and brings him before great men.

17 He who pleads his cause first seems right; until another comes and questions him.

18 The lot settles disputes, and keeps strong ones apart.

19 A brother offended is more difficult than a fortified city; and disputes are like the bars

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of a castle.

20 A man's stomach is filled with the fruit of his mouth. With the harvest of his lips he is satisfied.

21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue; those who love it will eat its fruit.

22 Whoever finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor of YHWH!

23 The poor plead for mercy, but the rich answer harshly.

24 A man of many companions may be ruined, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

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