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32 Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month, like the feast that is in Judah, and he went up to the altar; he did so in Bethel, sacrificing to the calves that he had made: and he placed in Bethel the priests of the high places that he had made.

33 He went up to the altar which he had made in Bethel on the fifteenth day in the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart: and he ordained a feast for the children of Israel, and went up to the altar, to burn incense.

1 . The Message of the Man of ELOHIM. .

Behold, there came a man of ELOHIM out of Judah by the word of YHWH to Beth El: and Jeroboam was standing by the altar to burn incense.

2 He cried against the altar by the word of YHWH, and said, "Altar, altar, thus says YHWH: 'Behold, a son shall be born to the house of David, Josiah by name. On you he shall sacrifice the priests of the high places who burn incense on you, and they will burn men's bones on you.'"

3 He gave a sign the same day, saying, "This is the sign which YHWH has spoken: Behold, the altar will be split apart, and the ashes that are on it will be poured out."

4 It happened, when the king heard the saying of the man of ELOHIM, which he cried against the altar in Bethel, that Jeroboam put out his hand from the altar, saying, "Seize him!" His hand, which he put out against him, dried up, so that he could not draw it back again to himself.

5 The altar also was split apart, and the ashes poured out from the altar, according to the sign which the man of ELOHIM had given by the word of YHWH!

6 The king answered the man of ELOHIM, "Now entreat the favor of YHWH your ELOHIM, and pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again." The man of ELOHIM entreated YHWH, and the king's hand was restored him again, and became as it was before.

7 The king said to the man of ELOHIM, "Come home with me, and refresh yourself, and I will give you a reward."

8 The man of ELOHIM said to the king, "Even if you gave me half of your house, I would not go in with you, neither would I eat bread nor drink water in this place;

9 for so was it commanded me by the word of YHWH, saying, 'You shall eat no bread, nor drink water, neither return by the way that you came.'"

10 So he went another way, and didn't return by the way that he came to Bethel.

11 . Death of the Man of ELOHIM. .

Now there lived an old prophet in Bethel; and one of his sons came and told him all the works that the man of ELOHIM had done that day in Bethel. They also told their father the words which he had spoken to the king.

12 Their father said to them, "Which way did he go?" Now his sons had seen which way the man of ELOHIM went, who came from Judah.

13 He said to his sons, "Saddle the donkey for me." So they saddled the donkey for him; and he rode on it.

14 He went after the man of ELOHIM, and found him sitting under an oak. He said to him, "Are you the man of ELOHIM who came from Judah?" He said, "I am."

15 Then he said to him, "Come home with me, and eat bread."

16 He said, "I may not return with you, nor go in with you; neither will I eat bread nor

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drink water with you in this place.

17 For it was said to me by the word of YHWH, ‘You shall eat no bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that you came.’”

18 He said to him, “I also am a prophet as you are; and an angel spoke to me by the word of YHWH, saying, ‘Bring him back with you into your house, that he may eat bread and drink water.’” He lied to him.

19 So he went back with him, and ate bread in his house, and drank water.

20 It happened, as they sat at the table, that the word of YHWH came to the prophet who brought him back;

21 and he cried to the man of ELOHIM who came from Judah, saying, “Thus says YHWH, ‘Because you have been disobedient to the mouth of YHWH, and have not kept the commandment which YHWH your ELOHIM commanded you,

22 but came back, and have eaten bread and drunk water in the place of which he said to you, “Eat no bread, and drink no water;” your body shall not come to the tomb of your fathers.’”

23 It happened, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that he saddled the donkey for the prophet whom he had brought back.

24 When he had gone, a lion met him by the way, and killed him. His body was cast in the way, and the donkey stood by it. The lion also stood by the body.

25 Behold, men passed by, and saw the body cast in the way, and the lion standing by the body; and they came and told it in the city where the old prophet lived.

26 When the prophet who brought him back from the way heard of it, he said, “It is the man of ELOHIM who was disobedient to the mouth of YHWH! Therefore YHWH has delivered him to the lion, which has mauled him and slain him, according to the word of YHWH, which he spoke to him.”

27 He spoke to his sons, saying, “Saddle the donkey for me.” They saddled it.

28 He went and found his body cast in the way, and the donkey and the lion standing by the body. The lion had not eaten the body, nor mauled the donkey.

29 The prophet took up the body of the man of ELOHIM, and laid it on the donkey, and brought it back. He came to the city of the old prophet to mourn, and to bury him.

30 He laid his body in his own grave; and they mourned over him, saying, “Alas, my brother!”

31 It happened, after he had buried him, that he spoke to his sons, saying, “When I am dead, then bury me in the tomb in which the man of ELOHIM is buried. Lay my bones beside his bones.

32 For the saying which he cried by the word of YHWH against the altar in Bethel, and against all the houses of the high places which are in the cities of Samaria, will surely happen.”

33 After this thing Jeroboam didn’t return from his evil way, but again made priests of the high places from among all the people. Whoever wanted to, he consecrated him, that there might be priests of the high places.

34 This thing became sin to the house of Jeroboam, even to cut it off, and to destroy it from off the surface of the earth.

Joel 1.

1 **Joel!**

The Word of YHWH that came to Joel, the son of Pethuel.

. The Land Laid Waste. .

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- 2 Hear this, you elders, And listen, all you inhabitants of the land. Has this ever happened in your days, or in the days of your fathers?
- 3 Tell your children about it, and have your children tell their children, and their children, another generation.
- 4 What the swarming locust has left, the great locust has eaten. What the great locust has left, the grasshopper has eaten. What the grasshopper has left, the caterpillar has eaten.
- 5 Wake up, you drunkards, and weep! Wail, all you drinkers of wine, because of the sweet wine; for it is cut off from your mouth.
- 6 For a nation has come up on my land, strong, and without number. His teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he has the fangs of a lioness.
- 7 He has laid my vine waste, and stripped my fig tree. He has stripped its bark, and thrown it away. Its branches are made white.
- 8 Mourn like a virgin dressed in sackcloth for the husband of her youth!
- 9 The meal offering and the drink offering are cut off from YHWH's house. The priests, YHWH's ministers, mourn.
- 10 The field is laid waste. The land mourns, for the grain is destroyed, The new wine has dried up, and the oil languishes.
- 11 Be confounded, you farmers! Wail, you vineyard keepers; for the wheat and for the barley; for the harvest of the field has perished.
- 12 The vine has dried up, and the fig tree withered; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, even all of the trees of the field are withered; for joy has withered away from the sons of men.

13 . Mourning for the Land. .

- Put on sackcloth and mourn, you priests! Wail, you ministers of the altar. Come, lie all night in sackcloth, you ministers of my ELOHIM, for the meal offering and the drink offering are withheld from your ELOHIM's house.
- 14 Sanctify a fast. Call a solemn assembly. Gather the elders, and all the inhabitants of the land, to the house of YHWH, your ELOHIM, and cry to YHWH!
- 15 Alas for the day! For the day of YHWH is at hand, and it will come as destruction from the Almighty.
- 16 Isn't the food cut off before our eyes; joy and gladness from the house of our ELOHIM?
- 17 The seeds rot under their clods. The granaries are laid desolate. The barns are broken down, for the grain has withered.
- 18 How the animals groan! The herds of livestock are perplexed, because they have no pasture. Yes, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.
- 19 YHWH, I cry to you, For the fire has devoured the pastures of the wilderness, and the flame has burned all the trees of the field.
- 20 Yes, the animals of the field pant to you, for the water brooks have dried up, And the fire has devoured the pastures of the wilderness.

Psalms 13.

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

- For the Chief Musician. A Psalm by David. How long, YHWH? Will you forget me forever? How long will you hide your face from me?
- 2 How long shall I take counsel in my soul, having sorrow in my heart every day? How

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long shall my enemy triumph over me?

3 Behold, and answer me, YHWH, my ELOHIM! Give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

4 Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed against him;" Lest my adversaries rejoice when I fall.

5 But I trust in your loving kindness. My heart rejoices in your salvation.

6 I will sing to YHWH, because he has been good to me.

Proverbs 28.

1 The wicked flee when no one pursues; but the righteous are as bold as a lion.

2 In rebellion, a land has many rulers, but order is maintained by a man of understanding and knowledge.

3 A needy man who oppresses the poor is like a driving rain which leaves no crops.

4 Those who forsake the Torah praise the wicked; but those who keep the Torah contend with them.

5 Evil men don't understand justice; but those who seek YHWH understand it fully.

6 Better is the poor who walks in his integrity, than he who is perverse in his ways, and he is rich.

7 Whoever keeps the Torah is a wise son; but he who is a companion of gluttons shames his father.

8 He who increases his wealth by excessive interest gathers it for one who has pity on the poor.

9 He who turns away his ear from hearing the Torah, even his prayer is an abomination.

10 Whoever causes the upright to go astray in an evil way, he will fall into his own trap; but the blameless will inherit good.

11 The rich man is wise in his own eyes; but the poor who has understanding sees through him.

12 When the righteous triumph, there is great glory; but when the wicked rise, men hide themselves.

13 He who conceals his sins doesn't prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

14 Blessed is the man who always fears; but one who hardens his heart falls into trouble.

15 As a roaring lion or a charging bear, so is a wicked ruler over helpless people.

16 A tyrannical ruler lacks judgment. One who hates ill-gotten gain will have long days.

17 A man who is tormented by life blood will be a fugitive until death; no one will support him.

18 Whoever walks blamelessly is kept safe; but one with perverse ways will fall suddenly.

19 One who works his land will have an abundance of food; but one who chases fantasies will have his fill of poverty.

20 A faithful man is rich with blessings; but one who is eager to be rich will not go unpunished.

21 To show partiality is not good; yet a man will do wrong for a piece of bread.

22 A stingy man hurries after riches, and doesn't know that poverty waits for him.

23 One who rebukes a man will afterward find more favor than one who flatters with the tongue.

24 Whoever robs his father or his mother, and says, "It's not wrong." He is a partner with a destroyer.

25 One who is greedy stirs up strife; but one who trusts in YHWH will prosper.

26 One who trusts in himself is a fool; but one who walks in wisdom is kept safe.

27 One who gives to the poor has no lack; but one who closes his eyes will have many

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28 When the wicked rise, men hide themselves; but when they perish, the righteous thrive.

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