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Day 229. 16-August Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

1 Chronicles 10.

1 . Tragic End of Saul and His Sons. .

Now the Philistines fought against Israel: and the men of Israel fled from before the Philistines, and fell down slain on Mount Gilboa.

2 The Philistines followed hard after Saul and after his sons; and the Philistines killed Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Malchishua, the sons of Saul.

3 The battle went hard against Saul, and the archers overtook him; and he was distressed by reason of the archers.

4 Then Saul said to his armor bearer, "Draw your sword, and thrust me through with it, lest these uncircumcised come and abuse me." But his armor bearer would not; for he was terrified. Therefore Saul took his sword, and fell on it.

5 When his armor bearer saw that Saul was dead, he likewise fell on his sword, and died.

6 So Saul died, and his three sons; and all his house died together.

7 When all the men of Israel who were in the valley saw that they fled, and that Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook their cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and lived in them.

8 It happened on the next day, when the Philistines came to strip the slain, that they found Saul and his sons fallen on Mount Gilboa.

9 They stripped him, and took his head, and his armor, and sent into the land of the Philistines all around, to carry the news to their idols, and to the people.

10 They put his armor in the house of their gods, and fastened his head in the house of Dagon.

11 When all Jabesh Gilead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul,

12 all the valiant men arose, and took away the body of Saul, and the bodies of his sons, and brought them to Jabesh, and buried their bones under the oak in Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

13 So Saul died for his trespass which he committed against YHWH, because of the word of YHWH, which he didn't keep; and also because he asked counsel of one who had a familiar spirit, to inquire,

14 and didn't inquire of YHWH: therefore he killed him, and turned the kingdom to David the son of Jesse.

1 Chronicles 11.

1 . David Made King over All Israel. .

Then all Israel gathered themselves to David to Hebron, saying, "Behold, we are your bone and your flesh.

2 In times past, even when Saul was king, it was you who led out and brought in Israel. YHWH your ELOHIM said to you, 'You shall be shepherd of my people Israel, and you shall be prince over my people Israel.'"

3 So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before YHWH; and they anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of YHWH by Samuel.

4 . The City of David. .

David and all Israel went to Jerusalem (the same is Jebus); and the Jebusites, the inhabitants of the land, were there.

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- 5 The inhabitants of Jebus said to David, "You shall not come in here." Nevertheless David took the stronghold of Zion. The same is the city of David.
- 6 David said, "Whoever strikes the Jebusites first shall be chief and captain." Joab the son of Zeruiah went up first, and was made chief.
- 7 David lived in the stronghold; therefore they called it the city of David.
- 8 He built the city all around, from Millo even around; and Joab repaired the rest of the city.
- 9 David grew greater and greater; for YHWH of Hosts was with him.

10 . The Mighty Men of David. .

Now these are the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who showed themselves strong with him in his kingdom, together with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of YHWH concerning Israel.

- 11 This is the number of the mighty men whom David had: Jashobeam, the son of a Hachmonite, the chief of the thirty; he lifted up his spear against three hundred and killed them at one time.
- 12 After him was Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, who was one of the three mighty men.
- 13 He was with David at Pasdammim, and there the Philistines were gathered together to battle, where there was a plot of ground full of barley; and the people fled from before the Philistines.
- 14 They stood in the midst of the plot, and defended it, and killed the Philistines; and YHWH saved them by a great victory.
- 15 Three of the thirty chief men went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the army of the Philistines were encamped in the valley of Rephaim.
- 16 David was then in the stronghold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem.
- 17 David longed, and said, "Oh that one would give me water to drink of the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate!"
- 18 The three broke through the army of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: but David would not drink of it, but poured it out to YHWH,
- 19 and said, "My ELOHIM forbid it me, that I should do this! Shall I drink the blood of these men who have put their lives in jeopardy?" For they risked their lives to bring it. Therefore he would not drink it. The three mighty men did these things.
- 20 Abishai, the brother of Joab, he was chief of the three; for he lifted up his spear against three hundred and killed them, and had a name among the three.
- 21 Of the three, he was more honorable than the two, and was made their captain: however he didn't attain to the three.
- 22 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel, who had done mighty deeds, he killed the two sons of Ariel of Moab: he went down also and killed a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow.
- 23 He killed an Egyptian, a man of great stature, five cubits high; and in the Egyptian's hand was a spear like a weaver's beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and killed him with his own spear.
- 24 Benaiah the son of Jehoiada did these things, and had a name among the three mighty men.
- 25 Behold, he was more honorable than the thirty, but he didn't attain to the three: and David set him over his guard.
- 26 Also the mighty men of the armies: Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,

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- 27 Shammoth the Hararite, Helez the Pelonite,
- 28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite, Abiezer the Anathothite,
- 29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite,
- 30 Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,
- 31 Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,
- 32 Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,
- 33 Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliahba the Shaalbonite,
- 34 the sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shagee the Hararite,
- 35 Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur,
- 36 Hopher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,
- 37 Hezro the Carmelite, Naarai the son of Ezbai,
- 38 Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Hagri,
- 39 Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armor bearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,
- 40 Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,
- 41 Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,
- 42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a chief of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,
- 43 Hanan the son of Maacah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite,
- 44 Uzzia the Ashterathite, Shama and Jeiel the sons of Hotham the Aroerite,
- 45 Jediel the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,
- 46 Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, the sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,
- 47 Eliel, and Obed, and Jaasiel the Mezobaite.

Zechariah 1.

1 . A Call to Repentance. . Zechariah!

In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, the word of YHWH came to Zechariah the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo, the prophet, saying,

2 “YHWH was very displeased with your fathers.

3 Therefore tell them: Thus says YHWH of Hosts: ‘Return to me,’ says YHWH of Hosts, ‘and I will return to you,’ says YHWH of Hosts.

4 Don’t you be like your fathers, to whom the former prophets proclaimed, saying: Thus says YHWH of Hosts, ‘Return now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings;’ but they did not hear, nor listen to me, says YHWH!

5 Your fathers, where are they? And the prophets, do they live forever?

6 But my words and my decrees, which I commanded my servants the prophets, didn’t they overtake your fathers? “Then they repented and said, ‘Just as YHWH of Hosts determined to do to us, according to our ways, and according to our practices, so he has dealt with us.’”

7 . Vision of the Horses. .

On the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month, which is the month Shebat, in the second year of Darius, the word of YHWH came to Zechariah the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo, the prophet, saying,

8 “I had a vision in the night, and behold, a man riding on a red horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that were in a ravine; and behind him there were red, brown, and white horses.

9 Then I asked, ‘My master, what are these?’” The angel who talked with me said to me, “I will show you what these are.”

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10 The man who stood among the myrtle trees answered, “They are the ones YHWH has sent to go back and forth through the earth.”

11 They reported to the angel of YHWH who stood among the myrtle trees, and said, “We have walked back and forth through the earth, and behold, all the earth is at rest and in peace.”

12 . YHWH Will Comfort Zion. .

Then the angel of YHWH replied, “O YHWH of Hosts, how long will you not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which you have had indignation these seventy years?”

13 YHWH answered the angel who talked with me with kind and comforting words.

14 So the angel who talked with me said to me, “Proclaim, saying, ‘Thus says YHWH of Hosts: “I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.

15 I am very angry with the nations that are at ease; for I was but a little displeased, but they added to the calamity.”

16 Therefore thus says YHWH: “I have returned to Jerusalem with mercy. My house shall be built in it,” says YHWH of Hosts, “and a line shall be stretched forth over Jerusalem.”

17 “Proclaim further, saying, ‘Thus says YHWH of Hosts: “My cities will again overflow with prosperity, and YHWH will again comfort Zion, and will again choose Jerusalem.”’”

18 . Vision of the Horns. .

I lifted up my eyes, and saw, and behold, four horns.

19 I asked the angel who talked with me, “What are these?” He answered me, “These are the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.”

20 YHWH showed me four craftsmen.

21 Then I asked, “What are these coming to do?” He said, “These are the horns which scattered Judah, so that no man lifted up his head; but these have come to terrify them, to cast down the horns of the nations, which lifted up their horn against the land of Judah to scatter it.”

Psalms 48.

1 . A Song. A Psalm of the sons of Korah. . .

A Song. A Psalm by the sons of Korah. Great is YHWH, and greatly to be praised, in the city of our ELOHIM, in his holy mountain.

2 Beautiful in elevation, the joy of the whole earth, is Mount Zion, on the north sides, the city of the great King.

3 ELOHIM has shown himself in her citadels as a refuge.

4 For, behold, the kings assembled themselves, they passed by together.

5 They saw it, then they were amazed. They were dismayed. They hurried away.

6 Trembling took hold of them there, pain, as of a woman in travail.

7 With the east wind, you break the ships of Tarshish.

8 As we have heard, so we have seen, in the city of YHWH of Hosts, in the city of our ELOHIM! ELOHIM will establish it forever. Selah.

9 We have thought about your loving kindness, ELOHIM, in the midst of your temple.

10 As is your name, ELOHIM, so is your praise to the ends of the earth. Your right hand is full of righteousness.

11 Let Mount Zion be glad! Let the daughters of Judah rejoice, Because of your

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judgments.

12 Walk about Zion, and go around her. Number its towers.

13 Mark well her bulwarks. Consider her palaces, that you may tell it to the next generation.

14 For this ELOHIM is our ELOHIM forever and ever. He will be our guide even to death.

Proverbs 1.

1 . The Beginning of Knowledge. . Proverbs!

The proverbs of Solomon, the son of David, king of Israel:

2 to know wisdom and instruction; to discern the words of understanding;

3 to receive instruction in wise dealing, in righteousness, justice, and equity;

4 to give prudence to the simple, knowledge and discretion to the young man:

5 that the wise man may hear, and increase in learning; that the man of understanding may attain to sound counsel:

6 to understand a proverb, and parables, the words and riddles of the wise.

7 The fear of YHWH is the beginning of knowledge; but the foolish despise wisdom and instruction.

8 . Shun Evil Counsel. .

My son, listen to your father's instruction, and don't forsake your mother's teaching:

9 for they will be a garland to grace your head, and chains around your neck.

10 My son, if sinners entice you, don't consent.

11 If they say, "Come with us, Let's lay in wait for blood; let's lurk secretly for the innocent without cause;

12 let's swallow them up alive like Sheol, and whole, like those who go down into the pit.

13 We'll find all valuable wealth. We'll fill our houses with spoil.

14 You shall cast your lot among us. We'll all have one purse."

15 My son, don't walk in the way with them. Keep your foot from their path,

16 for their feet run to evil. They hurry to shed blood.

17 For in vain is the net spread in the sight of any bird:

18 but these lay wait for their own blood. They lurk secretly for their own lives.

19 So are the ways of everyone who is greedy for gain. It takes away the life of its owners.

20 . The Call of Wisdom. .

Wisdom calls aloud in the street. She utters her voice in the public squares.

21 She calls at the head of noisy places. At the entrance of the city gates, she utters her words:

22 "How long, you simple ones, will you love simplicity? How long will mockers delight themselves in mockery, and fools hate knowledge?

23 Turn at my reproof. Behold, I will pour out my spirit on you. I will make known my words to you.

24 Because I have called, and you have refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no one has paid attention;

25 but you have ignored all my counsel, and wanted none of my reproof;

26 I also will laugh at your disaster. I will mock when calamity overtakes you;

27 when calamity overtakes you like a storm, when your disaster comes on like a whirlwind; when distress and anguish come on you.

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28 Then will they call on me, but I will not answer. They will seek me diligently, but they will not find me;

29 because they hated knowledge, and didn't choose the fear of YHWH!

30 They wanted none of my counsel. They despised all my reproof.

31 Therefore they will eat of the fruit of their own way, and be filled with their own schemes.

32 For the backsliding of the simple will kill them. The careless ease of fools will destroy them.

33 But whoever listens to me will dwell securely, and will be at ease, without fear of harm."

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