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1 Chronicles 17.

1 . ELOHIM's Covenant with David. .

It happened, when David lived in his house, that David said to Nathan the prophet, "Behold, I dwell in a house of cedar, but the ark of the covenant of YHWH is under curtains."

2 Nathan said to David, "Do all that is in your heart; for ELOHIM is with you."

3 It happened the same night, that the word of ELOHIM came to Nathan, saying,

4 "Go and tell David my servant, 'Thus says YHWH, "You shall not build me a house to dwell in;

5 for I have not lived in a house since the day that I brought up Israel, to this day, but have gone from tent to tent, and from one tent to another.

6 In all places in which I have walked with all Israel, did I speak a word with any of the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to be shepherd of my people, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?'"

7 "Now therefore, you shall tell my servant David, 'Thus says YHWH of Hosts, "I took you from the sheep pen, from following the sheep, that you should be prince over my people Israel.

8 I have been with you wherever you have gone, and have cut off all your enemies from before you. I will make you a name, like the name of the great ones who are in the earth.

9 I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in their own place, and be moved no more; neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more, as at the first,

10 and from the day that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel; and I will subdue all your enemies. Moreover I tell you that YHWH will build you a house.

11 It shall happen, when your days are fulfilled that you must go to be with your fathers, that I will set up your seed after you, who shall be of your sons; and I will establish his kingdom.

12 He shall build me a house, and I will establish his throne forever.

13 I will be his father, and he shall be my son. I will not take my loving kindness away from him, as I took it from him that was before you;

14 but I will settle him in my house and in my kingdom forever. His throne shall be established forever.""

15 According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so Nathan spoke to David.

16 Then David the king went in, and sat before YHWH; and he said, "Who am I, YHWH ELOHIM, and what is my house, that you have brought me thus far?

17 This was a small thing in your eyes, ELOHIM; but you have spoken of your servant's house for a great while to come, and have respected me according to the estate of a man of high degree, YHWH ELOHIM!

18 What can David say yet more to you concerning the honor which is done to your servant? For you know your servant.

19 YHWH, for your servant's sake, and according to your own heart, you have worked all this greatness, to make known all these great things.

20 YHWH, there is none like you, neither is there any ELOHIM besides you, according to all that we have heard with our ears.

21 What one nation in the earth is like your people Israel, whom ELOHIM went to redeem to himself for a people, to make you a name by great and awesome things, in driving out nations from before your people, whom you redeem out of Egypt?

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22 For your people Israel you made your own people forever; and you, YHWH, became their ELOHIM!

23 Now, YHWH, let the word that you have spoken concerning your servant, and concerning his house, be established forever, and do as you have spoken.

24 Let your name be established and magnified forever, saying, 'YHWH of Hosts is the ELOHIM of Israel, even an ELOHIM to Israel. The house of David your servant is established before you.'

25 For you, my ELOHIM, have revealed to your servant that you will build him a house. Therefore your servant has found courage to pray before you.

26 Now, YHWH, you are ELOHIM, and have promised this good thing to your servant.

27 Now it has pleased you to bless the house of your servant, that it may continue forever before you; for you, YHWH, have blessed, and it is blessed forever."

Zechariah 6.

1 . Vision of the Four Chariots. .

Again I lifted up my eyes, and saw, and behold, four chariots came out from between two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of brass.

2 In the first chariot were red horses; in the second chariot black horses;

3 in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot dappled horses, all of them powerful.

4 Then I asked the angel who talked with me, "What are these, my master?"

5 The angel answered me, "These are the four winds of the sky, which go forth from standing before ADONAI of all the earth.

6 The one with the black horses goes out toward the north country; and the white went out after them; and the dappled went forth toward the south country."

7 The strong went out, and sought to go that they might walk back and forth through the earth: and he said, "Go around and through the earth!" So they walked back and forth through the earth.

8 Then he called to me, and spoke to me, saying, "Behold, those who go toward the north country have quieted my spirit in the north country."

9 . The Command to Crown Joshua. .

The word of YHWH came to me, saying,

10 "Take of them of the captivity, even of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah; and come the same day, and go into the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah, where they have come from Babylon.

11 Yes, take silver and gold, and make crowns, and set them on the head of Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest;

12 and speak to him, saying, "Thus says YHWH of Hosts, "Behold, the man whose name is the Branch: and he shall grow up out of his place; and he shall build the temple of YHWH;

13 even he shall build the temple of YHWH; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule on his throne; and he shall be a priest on his throne; and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.

14 The crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen the son of Zephaniah, for a memorial in the temple of YHWH!

15 Those who are far off shall come and build in the temple of YHWH; and you shall know that YHWH of Hosts has sent me to you. This will happen, if you will diligently obey the voice of YHWH your ELOHIM!"

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Psalms 53.

1. “To the Chief Musician. Set to Mahalath. A Contemplation of David.. .

For the Chief Musician. To the tune of “Mahalath.” A contemplation by David. The fool has said in his heart, “There is no ELOHIM!” They are corrupt, and have done abominable iniquity. There is no one who does good.

2 ELOHIM looks down from heaven on the children of men, to see if there are any who understand, who seek after ELOHIM!

3 Every one of them has gone back. They have become filthy together. There is no one who does good, no, not one.

4 Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge, who eat up my people as they eat bread, and don't call on ELOHIM?

5 There they were in great fear, where no fear was, for ELOHIM has scattered the bones of him who encamps against you. You have put them to shame, because ELOHIM has rejected them.

6 Oh that the salvation [yeshuat] of Israel would come out of Zion! When ELOHIM brings back his people from captivity, then Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

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 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;

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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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