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- 2 David gave orders to gather together the foreigners who were in Eretz-Israel; and he set masons to cut worked stones to build the house of ELOHIM!
- 3 David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the couplings; and brass in abundance without weight;
- 4 and cedar trees without number: for the Sidonians and they of Tyre brought cedar trees in abundance to David.
- 5 David said, "Solomon my son is young and tender, and the house that is to be built for YHWH must be exceedingly magnificent, of fame and of glory throughout all countries. I will therefore make preparation for it." So David prepared abundantly before his death.
- 6 Then he called for Solomon his son, and commanded him to build a house for YHWH, the ELOHIM of Israel.
- 7 David said to Solomon his son, "As for me, it was in my heart to build a house to the name of YHWH my ELOHIM!
- 8 But the word of YHWH came to me, saying, 'You have shed blood abundantly, and have made great wars. You shall not build a house to my name, because you have shed much blood on the earth in my sight.
- 9 Behold, a son shall be born to you, who shall be a man of rest. I will give him rest from all his enemies all around; for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness to Israel in his days.
- 10 He shall build a house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father; and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever.'
- 11 Now, my son, may YHWH be with you and prosper you, and build the house of YHWH your ELOHIM, as he has spoken concerning you.
- 12 May YHWH give you discretion and understanding, and put you in charge of Israel; that so you may keep the Torah (teaching and instruction) of YHWH your ELOHIM!
- 13 Then you will prosper, if you observe to do the statutes and the ordinances which YHWH gave Moses concerning Israel. Be strong, and courageous. Don't be afraid, neither be dismayed.
- 14 Now, behold, in my affliction I have prepared for the house of YHWH one hundred thousand talents of gold, one million talents of silver, and brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance. I have also prepared timber and stone; and you may add to them.
- 15 There are also workmen with you in abundance, cutters and workers of stone and timber, and all kinds of men who are skillful in every kind of work:
- 16 of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron, there is no number. Arise and be doing, and may YHWH be with you."
- 17 David also commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son, saying,
- 18 "Isn't YHWH your ELOHIM with you? Hasn't he given you rest on every side? For he has delivered the inhabitants of the land into my hand; and the land is subdued before YHWH, and before his people.
- 19 Now set your heart and your soul to seek after YHWH your ELOHIM! Arise therefore, and build the sanctuary of YHWH ELOHIM, to bring the ark of the covenant of YHWH, and the holy vessels of ELOHIM, into the house that is to be built to the name of YHWH!"

1 . The Divisions of the Levites. .

Now David was old and full of days; and he made Solomon his son king over Israel.

2 He gathered together all the princes of Israel, with the priests and the Levites.

3 The Levites were numbered from thirty years old and upward: and their number by

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their polls, man by man, was thirty-eight thousand.

4 David said, "Of these, twenty-four thousand were to oversee the work of the house of YHWH; six thousand were officers and judges;

5 four thousand were doorkeepers; and four thousand praised YHWH with the instruments which I made, for giving praise."

6 David divided them into divisions according to the sons of Levi: Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

7 Of the Gershonites: Ladan and Shimei.

8 The sons of Ladan: Jehiel the chief, and Zetham, and Joel, three.

9 The sons of Shimei: Shelomoth, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These were the heads of the fathers' households of Ladan.

10 The sons of Shimei: Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four were the sons of Shimei.

11 Jahath was the chief, and Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah didn't have many sons; therefore they became a fathers' house in one reckoning.

12 The sons of Kohath: Amram, Izhar, Hebron, and Uzziel, four.

13 The sons of Amram: Aaron and Moses; and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons, forever, to burn incense before YHWH, to minister to him, and to bless in his name, forever.

14 But as for Moses the man of ELOHIM, his sons were named among the tribe of Levi.

15 The sons of Moses: Gershom and Eliezer.

16 The sons of Gershom: Shebuel the chief.

17 The sons of Eliezer were: Rehabiah the chief; and Eliezer had no other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many.

18 The sons of Izhar: Shelomith the chief.

19 The sons of Hebron: Jeriah the chief, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.

20 The sons of Uzziel: Micah the chief, and Isshiah the second.

21 The sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi. The sons of Mahli: Eleazar and Kish.

22 Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters only: and their brothers the sons of Kish took them as wives.

23 The sons of Mushi: Mahli, and Eder, and Jeremoth, three.

24 These were the sons of Levi after their fathers' houses, even the heads of the fathers' houses of those who were counted individually, in the number of names by their polls, who did the work for the service of the house of YHWH, from twenty years old and upward.

25 For David said, "YHWH, the ELOHIM of Israel, has given rest to his people; and he dwells in Jerusalem forever.

26 Also the Levites will no longer need to carry the tabernacle and all its vessels for its service."

27 For by the last words of David the sons of Levi were numbered, from twenty years old and upward.

28 For their office was to wait on the sons of Aaron for the service of the house of YHWH, in the courts, and in the rooms, and in the purifying of all holy things, even the work of the service of the house of ELOHIM;

29 for the show bread also, and for the fine flour for a meal offering, whether of unleavened wafers, or of that which is baked in the pan, or of that which is soaked, and for all kinds of measure and size;

30 and to stand every morning to thank and praise YHWH, and likewise in the evening;

31 and to offer all burnt offerings to YHWH, on the Sabbaths, on the new moons, and on the set feasts, in number according to the ordinance concerning them, continually before

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YHWH;

32 and that they should keep the duty of the Tent of Meeting, and the duty of the holy place, and the duty of the sons of Aaron their brothers, for the service of the house of YHWH!

Zechariah 9.

1 . Israel Defended Against Enemies. .

An oracle. The word of YHWH is against the land of Hadrach, and will rest upon Damascus; for the eye of man and of all the tribes of Israel is toward YHWH;

2 and Hamath, also, which borders on it; Tyre and Sidon, because they are very wise.

3 Tyre built herself a stronghold, and heaped up silver like the dust, and fine gold like the mire of the streets.

4 Behold, ADONAI will dispossess her, and he will strike her power in the sea; and she will be devoured with fire.

5 Ashkelon will see it, and fear; Gaza also, and will writhe in agony; as will Ekron, for her expectation will be disappointed; and the king will perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon will not be inhabited.

6 Foreigners will dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.

7 I will take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his teeth; and he also will be a remnant for our ELOHIM; and he will be as a chieftain in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.

8 I will encamp around my house against the army, that none pass through or return; and no oppressor will pass through them any more: for now I have seen with my eyes.

9 . The Coming King. .

Rejoice greatly, daughter of Zion! Shout, daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King comes to you! He is righteous, and having salvation; lowly, and riding on a donkey, even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow will be cut off; and he will speak peace to the nations: and his dominion will be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

11 . ELOHIM Will Save His People. .

As for you also, because of the blood of your covenant, I have set free your prisoners from the pit in which is no water.

12 Turn to the stronghold, you prisoners of hope! Even today I declare that I will restore double to you.

13 For indeed I bend Judah as a bow for me. I have filled the bow with Ephraim; and I will stir up your sons, Zion, against your sons, Greece, and will make you like the sword of a mighty man.

14 YHWH will be seen over them; and his arrow will go flash like lightning; and ADONAI YHWH will blow the shofar, and will go with whirlwinds of the south.

15 YHWH of Hosts will defend them; and they will destroy and overcome with sling stones; and they will drink, and roar as through wine; and they will be filled like bowls, like the corners of the altar.

16 YHWH their ELOHIM will save them in that day as the flock of his people; for they are like the jewels of a crown, lifted on high over his land.

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17 For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! Grain will make the young men flourish, and new wine the virgins.

Psalms 56.

1 . To the Chief Musician. Set to The Silent Dove in Distant Lands. A Michtam of David when the Philistines captured him in Gath.. .

For the Chief Musician. To the tune of “Silent Dove in Distant Lands.” A poem by David, when the Philistines seized him in Gath. Be merciful to me, ELOHIM, for man wants to swallow me up. All day long, he attacks and oppresses me.

2 My enemies want to swallow me up all day long, for they are many who fight proudly against me.

3 When I am afraid, I will put my trust in you.

4 In ELOHIM, I praise his word. In ELOHIM, I put my trust. I will not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?

5 All day long they twist my words. All their thoughts are against me for evil.

6 They conspire and lurk, watching my steps, they are eager to take my life.

7 Shall they escape by iniquity? In anger cast down the peoples, ELOHIM!

8 You number my wanderings. You put my tears into your bottle. Aren't they in your book?

9 Then my enemies shall turn back in the day that I call. I know this, that ELOHIM is for me.

10 In ELOHIM, I will praise his word. In YHWH, I will praise his word.

11 I have put my trust in ELOHIM! I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?

12 Your vows are on me, ELOHIM! I will give thank offerings to you.

13 For you have delivered my soul from death, and prevented my feet from falling, that I may walk before ELOHIM in the light of the living.

Proverbs 9.

1 . The Way of Wisdom. .

Wisdom has built her house. She has carved out her seven pillars.

2 She has prepared her meat. She has mixed her wine. She has also set her table.

3 She has sent out her maidens. She cries from the highest places of the city:

4 “Whoever is simple, let him turn in here!” As for him who is void of understanding, she says to him,

5 “Come, eat some of my bread, Drink some of the wine which I have mixed!

6 Leave your simple ways, and live. Walk in the way of understanding.”

7 He who corrects a mocker invites insult. He who reproves a wicked man invites abuse.

8 Don't reprove a scoffer, lest he hate you. Reprove a wise man, and he will love you.

9 Instruct a wise man, and he will be still wiser. Teach a righteous man, and he will increase in learning.

10 The fear of YHWH is the beginning of wisdom. The knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

11 For by me your days will be multiplied. The years of your life will be increased.

12 If you are wise, you are wise for yourself. If you mock, you alone will bear it.

13 . The Way of Folly. .

The foolish woman is loud, Undisciplined, and knows nothing.

14 She sits at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city,

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- 15 To call to those who pass by, who go straight on their ways,
16 “Whoever is simple, let him turn in here.” as for him who is void of understanding, she says to him,
17 “Stolen water is sweet. Food eaten in secret is pleasant.”
18 But he doesn’t know that the dead are there, that her guests are in the depths of Sheol.

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