

6 Sep Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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Day 250. 6-September Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

2 Chronicles 12.

1 . Egypt Attacks Judah. .

It happened, when the kingdom of Rehoboam was established, and he was strong, that he forsook the Torah (teaching and instruction) of YHWH, and all Israel with him.

2 It happened in the fifth year of king Rehoboam, that Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, because they had trespassed against YHWH,

3 with twelve hundred chariots, and sixty thousand horsemen. The people were without number who came with him out of Egypt: the Lubim, the Sukkiim, and the Ethiopians.

4 He took the fortified cities which pertained to Judah, and came to Jerusalem.

5 Now Shemaiah the prophet came to Rehoboam, and to the princes of Judah, who were gathered together to Jerusalem because of Shishak, and said to them, "Thus says YHWH, 'You have forsaken me, therefore have I also left you in the hand of Shishak.'"

6 Then the princes of Israel and the king humbled themselves; and they said, "YHWH is righteous."

7 When YHWH saw that they humbled themselves, the word of YHWH came to Shemaiah, saying, "They have humbled themselves. I will not destroy them; but I will grant them some deliverance, and my wrath shall not be poured out on Jerusalem by the hand of Shishak.

8 Nevertheless they shall be his servants, that they may know my service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries."

9 So Shishak king of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, and took away the treasures of the house of YHWH, and the treasures of the king's house. He took it all away. He also took away the shields of gold which Solomon had made.

10 King Rehoboam made in their place shields of brass, and committed them to the hands of the captains of the guard, who kept the door of the king's house.

11 It was so, that as often as the king entered into the house of YHWH, the guard came and bore them, and brought them back into the guard room.

12 When he humbled himself, the wrath of YHWH turned from him, so as not to destroy him altogether: and moreover in Judah there were good things found.

13 . The End of Rehoboam's Reign. .

So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned: for Rehoboam was forty-one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem, the city which YHWH had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there: and his mother's name was Naamah the Ammonitess.

14 He did that which was evil, because he didn't set his heart to seek YHWH!

15 Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, aren't they written in the histories of Shemaiah the prophet and of Iddo the seer, after the way of genealogies? There were wars between Rehoboam and Jeroboam continually.

16 Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David: and Abijah his son reigned in his place.

2 Chronicles 13.

1 . Abijah Reigns in Judah. .

In the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam began Abijah to reign over Judah.

2 He reigned three years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Micaiah the daughter

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of Uriel of Gibeah. There was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.

3 Abijah joined battle with an army of valiant men of war, even four hundred thousand chosen men: and Jeroboam set the battle in array against him with eight hundred thousand chosen men, who were mighty men of valor.

4 Abijah stood up on Mount Zemaraim, which is in the hill country of Ephraim, and said, "Hear me, Jeroboam and all Israel:

5 Ought you not to know that YHWH, the ELOHIM of Israel, gave the kingdom over Israel to David forever, even to him and to his sons by a covenant of salt?

6 Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, rose up, and rebelled against his master.

7 There were gathered to him worthless men, base fellows, who strengthened themselves against Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.

8 "Now you think to withstand the kingdom of YHWH in the hand of the sons of David; and you are a great multitude, and there are with you the golden calves which Jeroboam made you for gods.

9 Haven't you driven out the priests of YHWH, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and made priests for yourselves after the ways of the peoples of other lands? so that whoever comes to consecrate himself with a young bull and seven rams, the same may be a priest of those who are no gods.

10 "But as for us, YHWH is our ELOHIM, and we have not forsaken him; and we have priests ministering to YHWH, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites in their work:

11 and they burn to YHWH every morning and every evening burnt offerings and sweet incense. They also set the show bread in order on the pure table; and the menorah of gold with its lamps, to burn every evening: for we keep the instruction of YHWH our ELOHIM; but you have forsaken him.

12 Behold, ELOHIM is with us at our head, and his priests with the shofars of alarm to sound an alarm against you. Children of Israel, don't fight against YHWH, the ELOHIM of your fathers; for you shall not prosper."

13 But Jeroboam caused an ambush to come about behind them: so they were before Judah, and the ambush was behind them.

14 When Judah looked back, behold, the battle was before and behind them; and they cried to YHWH, and the priests sounded with the shofars.

15 Then the men of Judah gave a shout: and as the men of Judah shouted, it happened, that ELOHIM struck Jeroboam and all Israel before Abijah and Judah.

16 The children of Israel fled before Judah; and ELOHIM delivered them into their hand.

17 Abijah and his people killed them with a great slaughter: so there fell down slain of Israel five hundred thousand chosen men.

18 Thus the children of Israel were brought under at that time, and the children of Judah prevailed, because they relied on YHWH, the ELOHIM of their fathers.

19 Abijah pursued after Jeroboam, and took cities from him, Bethel with its towns, and Jeshanah with its towns, and Ephron with its towns.

20 Jeroboam didn't recover strength again in the days of Abijah. YHWH struck him, and he died.

21 But Abijah grew mighty, and took to himself fourteen wives, and became the father of twenty-two sons, and sixteen daughters.

22 The rest of the acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his sayings, are written in the commentary of the prophet Iddo.

Psalms 76.

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1 . To the Chief Musician. On stringed instruments. A Psalm of Asaph. A Song..

- For the Chief Musician. On stringed instruments. A Psalm by Asaph. A song. In Judah, ELOHIM is known. His name is great in Israel.
- 2 His tabernacle is also in Salem; His dwelling place in Zion.
- 3 There he broke the flaming arrows of the bow, the shield, and the sword, and the weapons of war. Selah.
- 4 Glorious are you, and excellent, more than mountains of game.
- 5 Valiant men lie plundered, they have slept their last sleep. None of the men of war can lift their hands.
- 6 At your rebuke, ELOHIM of Jacob, both chariot and horse are cast into a deep sleep.
- 7 You, even you, are to be feared. Who can stand in your sight when you are angry?
- 8 You pronounced judgment from heaven. The earth feared, and was silent,
- 9 when ELOHIM arose to judgment, to save all the afflicted ones of the earth. Selah.
- 10 Surely the wrath of man praises you. The survivors of your wrath are restrained.
- 11 Make vows to YHWH your ELOHIM, and fulfill them! Let all of his neighbors bring presents to him who is to be feared.
- 12 He will cut off the spirit of princes. He is feared by the kings of the earth.

Proverbs 22.

- 1 A good name is more desirable than great riches, and loving favor is better than silver and gold.
- 2 The rich and the poor have this in common: YHWH is the maker of them all.
- 3 A prudent man sees danger, and hides himself; but the simple pass on, and suffer for it.
- 4 The result of humility and the fear of YHWH is wealth, honor, and life.
- 5 Thorns and snares are in the path of the wicked: whoever guards his soul stays from them.
- 6 Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.
- 7 The rich rule over the poor. The borrower is servant to the lender.
- 8 He who sows wickedness reaps trouble, and the rod of his fury will be destroyed.
- 9 He who has a generous eye will be blessed; for he shares his food with the poor.
- 10 Drive out the mocker, and strife will go out; yes, quarrels and insults will stop.
- 11 He who loves purity of heart and speaks gracefully is the king's friend.
- 12 The eyes of YHWH watch over knowledge; but he frustrates the words of the unfaithful.
- 13 The sluggard says, "There is a lion outside! I will be killed in the streets!"
- 14 The mouth of an adulteress is a deep pit: he who is under YHWH's wrath will fall into it.
- 15 Folly is bound up in the heart of a child: the rod of discipline drives it far from him.
- 16 Whoever oppresses the poor for his own increase and whoever gives to the rich, both come to poverty.

17 . Sayings of the Wise..

- Turn your ear, and listen to the words of the wise. Apply your heart to my teaching.
- 18 For it is a pleasant thing if you keep them within you, if all of them are ready on your lips.
- 19 That your trust may be in YHWH, I teach you today, even you.
- 20 Haven't I written to you thirty excellent things of counsel and knowledge,

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- 21 To teach you truth, reliable words, to give sound answers to the ones who sent you?
22 Don't exploit the poor, because he is poor; and don't crush the needy in court;
23 for YHWH will plead their case, and plunder the life of those who plunder them.
24 Don't befriend a hot-tempered man, and don't associate with one who harbors anger:
25 lest you learn his ways, and ensnare your soul.
26 Don't you be one of those who strike hands, of those who are collateral for debts.
27 If you don't have means to pay, why should he take away your bed from under you?
28 Don't move the ancient boundary stone, which your fathers have set up.
29 Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will serve kings. He won't serve obscure men.

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