

14 Sep Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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Day 258. 14-September Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

2 Chronicles 24.

1 . Joash Repairs the Temple. .

Joash was seven years old when he began to reign; and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Zibiah, of Beersheba.

2 Joash did that which was right in the eyes of YHWH all the days of Jehoiada the priest.

3 Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he became the father of sons and daughters.

4 It happened after this, that Joash intended to restore the house of YHWH!

5 He gathered together the priests and the Levites, and said to them, "Go out to the cities of Judah, and gather money to repair the house of your ELOHIM from all Israel from year to year. See that you expedite this matter." However the Levites didn't do it right away.

6 The king called for Jehoiada the chief, and said to him, "Why haven't you required of the Levites to bring in the tax of Moses the servant of YHWH, and of the assembly of Israel, out of Judah and out of Jerusalem, for the tent of the testimony?"

7 For the sons of Athaliah, that wicked woman, had broken up the house of ELOHIM; and they also gave all the dedicated things of the house of YHWH to the Baals.

8 So the king commanded, and they made a chest, and set it outside at the gate of the house of YHWH!

9 They made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in for YHWH the tax that Moses the servant of ELOHIM laid on Israel in the wilderness.

10 All the princes and all the people rejoiced, and brought in, and cast into the chest, until they had made an end.

11 It was so, that whenever the chest was brought to the king's officers by the hand of the Levites, and when they saw that there was much money, the king's scribe and the chief priest's officer came and emptied the chest, and took it, and carried it to its place again. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.

12 The king and Jehoiada gave it to such as did the work of the service of the house of YHWH; and they hired masons and carpenters to restore the house of YHWH, and also such as worked iron and brass to repair the house of YHWH!

13 So the workmen worked, and the work of repairing went forward in their hands, and they set up the house of ELOHIM in its state, and strengthened it.

14 When they had made an end, they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jehoiada, of which were made vessels for the house of YHWH, even vessels with which to minister and to offer, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. They offered burnt offerings in the house of YHWH continually all the days of Jehoiada.

15 . Apostasy of Joash. .

But Jehoiada grew old and was full of days, and he died; one hundred thirty years old was he when he died.

16 They buried him in the city of David among the kings, because he had done good in Israel, and toward ELOHIM and his house.

17 Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the king. Then the king listened to them.

18 They forsook the house of YHWH, the ELOHIM of their fathers, and served the Asherim and the idols: and wrath came on Judah and Jerusalem for this their guiltiness.

19 Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again to YHWH; and they testified against them: but they would not give ear.

20 The Spirit of ELOHIM came on Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest; and he

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stood above the people, and said to them, “Thus says ELOHIM, ‘Why do you disobey the commandments of YHWH, so that you can’t prosper? Because you have forsaken YHWH, he has also forsaken you.’”

21 They conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of YHWH!

22 Thus Joash the king didn’t remember the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done to him, but killed his son. When he died, he said, “May YHWH look at it, and repay it.”

23 . Death of Joash. .

It happened at the end of the year, that the army of the Syrians came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and sent all their spoil to the king of Damascus.

24 For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men; and YHWH delivered a very great army into their hand, because they had forsaken YHWH, the ELOHIM of their fathers. So they executed judgment on Joash.

25 When they were departed for him (for they left him very sick), his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and killed him on his bed, and he died; and they buried him in the city of David, but they didn’t bury him in the tombs of the kings.

26 These are those who conspired against him: Zabad the son of Shimeath the Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith the Moabitess.

27 Now concerning his sons, and the greatness of the burdens laid on him, and the rebuilding of the house of ELOHIM, behold, they are written in the commentary of the book of the kings. Amaziah his son reigned in his place.

Psalms 81.

1 . To the Chief Musician. On an instrument of Gath. A Psalm of Asaph..

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For the Chief Musician. On an instrument of Gath. By Asaph. Sing aloud to ELOHIM, our strength! Make a joyful shout to the ELOHIM of Jacob!

2 Raise a song, and bring here the tambourine, the pleasant lyre with the harp.

3 Blow the shofar at the New Moon, at the full moon, on our feast day.

4 For it is a statute for Israel, an ordinance of the ELOHIM of Jacob.

5 He appointed it in Joseph for a testimony, when he went out over the land of Egypt, I heard a language that I didn’t know.

6 “I removed his shoulder from the burden. His hands were freed from the basket.

7 You called in trouble, and I delivered you. I answered you in the secret place of thunder. I tested you at the waters of Meribah.” Selah.

8 “Hear, my people, and I will testify to you, Israel, if you would listen to me!

9 There shall be no strange god in you, neither shall you worship any foreign god.

10 I am YHWH, your ELOHIM, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt. Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.

11 But my people didn’t listen to my voice. Israel desired none of me.

12 So I let them go after the stubbornness of their hearts, that they might walk in their own counsels.

13 Oh that my people would listen to me, that Israel would walk in my ways!

14 I would soon subdue their enemies, and turn my hand against their adversaries.

15 The haters of YHWH would cringe before him, and their punishment would last

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forever.

16 But he would have also fed them with the finest of the wheat. I will satisfy you with honey out of the rock.”

Proverbs 30.

1 . The Wisdom of Agur. .

The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, the oracle: the man says to Ithiel, to Ithiel and Ucal:

2 “Surely I am the most ignorant man, and don’t have a man’s understanding.

3 I have not learned wisdom, neither do I have the knowledge of the Holy One.

4 Who has ascended up into heaven, and descended? Who has gathered the wind in his fists? Who has bound the waters in his garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is his name, and what is his son’s name, if you know?

5 “Every word of ELOHIM is flawless. He is a shield to those who take refuge in him.

6 Don’t you add to his words, lest he reprove you, and you be found a liar.

7 “Two things I have asked of you; don’t deny me before I die:

8 Remove far from me falsehood and lies. Give me neither poverty nor riches. Feed me with the food that is needful for me;

9 lest I be full, deny you, and say, ‘Who is YHWH?’ or lest I be poor, and steal, and so dishonor the name of my ELOHIM!

10 “Don’t slander a servant to his master, lest he curse you, and you be held guilty.

11 There is a generation that curses their father, and doesn’t bless their mother.

12 There is a generation that is pure in their own eyes, yet are not washed from their filthiness.

13 There is a generation, oh how lofty are their eyes! Their eyelids are lifted up.

14 There is a generation whose teeth are like swords, and their jaws like knives, to devour the poor from the earth, and the needy from among men.

15 “The leach has two daughters: ‘Give, give.’ “There are three things that are never satisfied; four that don’t say, ‘Enough:’

16 Sheol, the barren womb; the earth that is not satisfied with water; and the fire that doesn’t say, ‘Enough.’

17 “The eye that mocks at his father, and scorns obedience to his mother: the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, the young eagles shall eat it.

18 “There are three things which are too amazing for me, four which I don’t understand:

19 The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent on a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; and the way of a man with a maiden.

20 “So is the way of an adulterous woman: she eats and wipes her mouth, and says, ‘I have done nothing wrong.’

21 “For three things the earth tremble, and under four, it can’t bear up:

22 For a servant when he is king; a fool when he is filled with food;

23 for an unloved woman when she is married; and a handmaid who is heir to her mistress.

24 “There are four things which are little on the earth, but they are exceedingly wise:

25 the ants are not a strong people, yet they provide their food in the summer.

26 The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks.

27 The locusts have no king, yet they advance in ranks.

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28 You can catch a lizard with your hands, yet it is in kings' palaces.

29 "There are three things which are stately in their march, four which are stately in going:

30 The lion, which is mightiest among animals, and doesn't turn away for any;

31 the greyhound, the male goat also; and the king against whom there is no rising up.

32 "If you have done foolishly in lifting up yourself, or if you have thought evil, put your hand over your mouth.

33 For as the churning of milk brings forth butter, and the wringing of the nose brings forth blood; so the forcing of wrath brings forth strife."

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