

17 Sep Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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Day 261. 17-September Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

2 Chronicles 27.

1 **. Jotham Reigns in Judah. .**

Jotham was twenty-five years old when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and his mother's name was Jerushah the daughter of Zadok.

2 He did that which was right in the eyes of YHWH, according to all that his father Uzziah had done: however he didn't enter into the temple of YHWH! The people still did corruptly.

3 He built the upper gate of the house of YHWH, and on the wall of Ophel he built much.

4 Moreover he built cities in the hill country of Judah, and in the forests he built castles and towers.

5 He fought also with the king of the children of Ammon, and prevailed against them. The children of Ammon gave him the same year one hundred talents of silver, and ten thousand measures of wheat, and ten thousand of barley. The children of Ammon gave that much to him in the second year also, and in the third.

6 So Jotham became mighty, because he ordered his ways before YHWH his ELOHIM!

7 Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.

8 He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem.

9 Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David: and Ahaz his son reigned in his place.

2 Chronicles 28.

1 **. Ahaz Reigns in Judah. .**

Ahaz was twenty years old when he began to reign; and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem: and he didn't do that which was right in the eyes of YHWH, like David his father;

2 but he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and made also molten images for the Baals.

3 Moreover he burnt incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom, and burnt his children in the fire, according to the abominations of the nations whom YHWH cast out before the children of Israel.

4 He sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

5 **. Syria and Israel Defeat Judah. .**

Therefore YHWH his ELOHIM delivered him into the hand of the king of Syria; and they struck him, and carried away of his a great multitude of captives, and brought them to Damascus. He was also delivered into the hand of the king of Israel, who struck him with a great slaughter.

6 For Pekah the son of Remaliah killed in Judah one hundred twenty thousand in one day, all of them valiant men; because they had forsaken YHWH, the ELOHIM of their fathers.

7 Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, killed Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the ruler of the house, and Elkanah who was next to the king.

8 The children of Israel carried away captive of their brothers two hundred thousand,

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women, sons, and daughters, and took also away much spoil from them, and brought the spoil to Samaria.

9 **. Israel Returns the Captives. .**

But a prophet of YHWH was there, whose name was Oded: and he went out to meet the army that came to Samaria, and said to them, "Behold, because YHWH, the ELOHIM of your fathers, was angry with Judah, he has delivered them into your hand, and you have slain them in a rage which has reached up to heaven.

10 Now you purpose to keep under the children of Judah and Jerusalem for bondservants and bondmaids for yourselves. Aren't there even with you trespasses of your own against YHWH your ELOHIM?

11 Now hear me therefore, and send back the captives, that you have taken captive from your brothers; for the fierce wrath of YHWH is on you."

12 Then some of the heads of the children of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Yochanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai, stood up against those who came from the war,

13 and said to them, "You shall not bring in the captives here: for you purpose that which will bring on us a trespass against YHWH, to add to our sins and to our trespass; for our trespass is great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel."

14 So the armed men left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the assembly.

15 The men who have been mentioned by name rose up, and took the captives, and with the spoil clothed all who were naked among them, dressed them, gave them sandals, and gave them something to eat and to drink, anointed them, carried all the feeble of them on donkeys, and brought them to Jericho, the city of palm trees, to their brothers. Then they returned to Samaria.

16 **. Assyria Refuses to Help Judah. .**

At that time king Ahaz sent to the kings of Assyria to help him.

17 For again the Edomites had come and struck Judah, and carried away captives.

18 The Philistines also had invaded the cities of the lowland, and of the South of Judah, and had taken Beth Shemesh, and Aijalon, and Gederoth, and Soco with its towns, and Timnah with its towns, Gimzo also and its towns: and they lived there.

19 For YHWH brought Judah low because of Ahaz king of Israel; for he had dealt wantonly in Judah, and trespassed severely against YHWH!

20 Tilgath Pilneser king of Assyria came to him, and distressed him, but didn't strengthen him.

21 For Ahaz took away a portion out of the house of YHWH, and out of the house of the king and of the princes, and gave it to the king of Assyria: but it didn't help him.

22 **. Apostasy and Death of Ahaz. .**

In the time of his distress, he trespassed yet more against YHWH, this same king Ahaz.

23 For he sacrificed to the gods of Damascus, which struck him; and he said, "Because the gods of the kings of Syria helped them, so I will sacrifice to them, that they may help me." But they were the ruin of him, and of all Israel.

24 Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of ELOHIM, and cut in pieces the vessels of the house of ELOHIM, and shut up the doors of the house of YHWH; and he made him altars in every corner of Jerusalem.

25 In every city of Judah he made high places to burn incense to other gods, and

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provoked to anger YHWH, the ELOHIM of his fathers.

26 Now the rest of his acts, and all his ways, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

27 Ahaz slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city, even in Jerusalem; for they didn't bring him into the tombs of the kings of Israel: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his place.

Psalms 84.

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

For the Chief Musician. On an instrument of Gath. A Psalm by the sons of Korah. How lovely are your dwellings, YHWH of Hosts!

2 My soul longs, and even faints for the courts of YHWH! My heart and my flesh cry out for the living ELOHIM!

3 Yes, the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young, near your altars, YHWH of Hosts, my King, and my ELOHIM!

4 Blessed are those who dwell in your house. They are always praising you. Selah.

5 Blessed are those whose strength is in you; who have set their hearts on a pilgrimage.

6 Passing through the valley of Weeping, they make it a place of springs. Yes, the autumn rain covers it with blessings.

7 They go from strength to strength. Everyone of them appears before ELOHIM in Zion.

8 YHWH, ELOHIM of Hosts, hear my prayer. Listen, ELOHIM of Jacob. Selah.

9 Behold, ELOHIM our shield, look at the face of your anointed.

10 For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my ELOHIM, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

11 For YHWH ELOHIM is a sun and a shield. YHWH will give grace and glory. He withholds no good thing from those who walk blamelessly.

12 YHWH of Hosts, blessed is the man who trusts in you.

Proverbs 2.

1 . The Value of Wisdom..

My son, if you will receive my words, and store up my commandments within you;

2 So as to turn your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding;

3 Yes, if you call out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding;

4 If you seek her as silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures:

5 then you will understand the fear of YHWH, and find the knowledge of ELOHIM!

6 For YHWH gives wisdom. Out of his mouth comes knowledge and understanding.

7 He lays up sound wisdom for the upright. He is a shield to those who walk in integrity;

8 that he may guard the paths of justice, and preserve the way of his holy ones.

9 Then you will understand righteousness and justice, equity and every good path.

10 For wisdom will enter into your heart. Knowledge will be pleasant to your soul.

11 Discretion will watch over you. Understanding will keep you,

12 to deliver you from the way of evil, from the men who speak perverse things;

13 who forsake the paths of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness;

14 who rejoice to do evil, and delight in the perverseness of evil;

15 who are crooked in their ways, and wayward in their paths:

16 To deliver you from the strange woman, even from the foreigner who flatters with her words;

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- 17 who forsakes the friend of her youth, and forgets the covenant of her ELOHIM:
18 for her house leads down to death, her paths to the dead.
19 None who go to her return again, neither do they attain to the paths of life:
20 that you may walk in the way of good men, and keep the paths of the righteous.
21 For the upright will dwell in the land. The perfect will remain in it.
22 But the wicked will be cut off from the land. The treacherous will be rooted out of it.

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