

2 Nov Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

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Day 307. 2-November Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

Isaiah 38.

1 . **Hezekiah's Life Extended.** .

In those days was Hezekiah sick and near death. Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, came to him, and said to him, "Thus says YHWH, 'Set your house in order, for you will die, and not live.'"

2 Then Hezekiah turned his face to the wall and prayed to YHWH,

3 and said, "Remember now, YHWH, I beg you, how I have walked before you in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in your sight." Hezekiah wept bitterly.

4 Then the word of YHWH came to Isaiah, saying,

5 "Go, and tell Hezekiah, 'Thus says YHWH, the ELOHIM of David your father, "I have heard your prayer. I have seen your tears. Behold, I will add fifteen years to your life.

6 I will deliver you and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria, and I will defend this city.

7 This shall be the sign to you from YHWH, that YHWH will do this thing that he has spoken.

8 Behold, I will cause the shadow on the sundial, which has gone down on the sundial of Ahaz with the sun, to return backward ten steps. So the sun returned ten steps on the sundial on which it had gone down.'"

9 The writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, when he had been sick, and had recovered of his sickness.

10 I said, "In the middle of my life I go into the gates of Sheol. I am deprived of the residue of my years."

11 I said, "I won't see YAH, YAH in the land of the living. I will see man no more with the inhabitants of the world.

12 My dwelling is removed, and is carried away from me like a shepherd's tent. I have rolled up, like a weaver, my life. He will cut me off from the loom. From day even to night you will make an end of me.

13 I waited patiently until morning. He breaks all my bones like a lion. From day even to night you will make an end of me.

14 I chattered like a swallow or a crane. I moaned like a dove. My eyes weaken looking upward. ADONAI, I am oppressed. Be my security."

15 What will I say? He has both spoken to me, and himself has done it. I will walk carefully all my years because of the anguish of my soul.

16 ADONAI, men live by these things; and my spirit finds life in all of them: you restore me, and cause me to live.

17 Behold, for peace I had great anguish, but you have in love for my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption; for you have cast all my sins behind your back.

18 For Sheol can't praise you. Death can't celebrate you. Those who go down into the pit can't hope for your truth.

19 The living, the living, he shall praise you, as I do this day. The father shall make known your truth to the children.

20 YHWH will save me. Therefore we will sing my songs with stringed instruments all the days of our life in the house of YHWH!

21 Now Isaiah had said, "Let them take a cake of figs, and lay it for a poultice on the boil, and he shall recover."

22 Hezekiah also had said, "What is the sign that I will go up to the house of YHWH?"

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Isaiah 39.

1 . The Babylonian Envoys. .

At that time, Merodach Baladan the son of Baladan, king of Babylon, sent letters and a present to Hezekiah; for he heard that he had been sick, and had recovered.

2 Hezekiah was pleased with them, and showed them the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, the spices, and the precious oil, and all the house of his armor, and all that was found in his treasures. There was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah didn't show them.

3 Then Isaiah the prophet came to king Hezekiah, and asked him, "What did these men say? Where did they come from to you?" Hezekiah said, "They have come from a country far from me, even from Babylon."

4 Then he asked, "What have they seen in your house?" Hezekiah answered, "They have seen all that is in my house. There is nothing among my treasures that I have not shown them."

5 Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, "Hear the word of YHWH of Hosts:

6 'Behold, the days are coming when all that is in your house, and that which your fathers have stored up until this day, will be carried to Babylon. Nothing will be left,' says YHWH!

7 'They will take away your sons who will issue from you, whom you shall father, and they will be eunuchs in the king of Babylon's palace.'

8 Then Hezekiah said to Isaiah, "YHWH's word which you have spoken is good." He said moreover, "For there will be peace and truth in my days."

Psalms 119:129-160.

129 . PE. .

Your testimonies are wonderful, therefore my soul keeps them.

130 The entrance of your words gives light. It gives understanding to the simple.

131 I opened my mouth wide and panted, for I longed for your commandments.

132 Turn to me, and have mercy on me, as you always do to those who love your name.

133 Establish my footsteps in your word. Don't let any iniquity have dominion over me.

134 Redeem me from the oppression of man, so I will observe your precepts.

135 Make your face shine on your servant. Teach me your statutes.

136 Streams of tears run down my eyes, because they don't observe your Torah.

TZADI

137 . TSADDE. .

You are righteous, YHWH! Your judgments are upright.

138 You have commanded your statutes in righteousness. They are fully trustworthy.

139 My zeal wears me out, because my enemies ignore your words.

140 Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them.

141 I am small and despised. I don't forget your precepts.

142 Your righteousness is an everlasting righteousness. Your Torah is truth.

143 Trouble and anguish have taken hold of me. Your commandments are my delight.

144 Your testimonies are righteous forever. Give me understanding, that I may live.

KUF

145 . QOPH. .

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I have called with my whole heart. Answer me, YHWH! I will keep your statutes.
146 I have called to you. Save me! I will obey your statutes.
147 I rise before dawn and cry for help. I put my hope in your words.
148 My eyes stay open through the night watches, that I might meditate on your word.
149 Hear my voice according to your loving kindness. Revive me, YHWH, according to your ordinances.
150 They draw near who follow after wickedness. They are far from your Torah.
151 You are near, YHWH! All your commandments are truth.
152 Of old I have known from your testimonies, that you have founded them forever.
RESH

153 . RESH. .

Consider my affliction, and deliver me, for I don't forget your Torah.
154 Plead my cause, and redeem me! Revive me according to your promise.
155 Salvation is far from the wicked, for they don't seek your statutes.
156 Great are your tender mercies, YHWH! Revive me according to your ordinances.
157 Many are my persecutors and my adversaries. I haven't swerved from your testimonies.
158 I look at the faithless with loathing, because they don't observe your word.
159 Consider how I love your precepts. Revive me, YHWH, according to your loving kindness.
160 All of your words are truth. Every one of your righteous ordinances endures forever.
SIN AND SHIN

Proverbs 17.

1 Better is a dry morsel with quietness, than a house full of feasting with strife.
2 A servant who deals wisely will rule over a son who causes shame, and shall have a part in the inheritance among the brothers.
3 The refining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold, but YHWH tests the hearts.
4 An evildoer heeds wicked lips. A liar gives ear to a mischievous tongue.
5 Whoever mocks the poor reproaches his Maker. He who is glad at calamity shall not be unpunished.
6 Children's children are the crown of old men; the glory of children are their parents.
7 Arrogant speech isn't fitting for a fool, much less do lying lips fit a prince.
8 A bribe is a precious stone in the eyes of him who gives it; wherever he turns, he prospers.
9 He who covers an offense promotes love; but he who repeats a matter separates best friends.
10 A rebuke enters deeper into one who has understanding than a hundred lashes into a fool.
11 An evil man seeks only rebellion; therefore a cruel messenger shall be sent against him.
12 Let a bear robbed of her cubs meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly.
13 Whoever rewards evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.
14 The beginning of strife is like breaching a dam, therefore stop contention before quarreling breaks out.
15 He who justifies the wicked, and he who condemns the righteous, both of them alike are an abomination to YHWH!

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- 16 Why is there money in the hand of a fool to buy wisdom, since he has no understanding?
- 17 A friend loves at all times; and a brother is born for adversity.
- 18 A man void of understanding strikes hands, and becomes collateral in the presence of his neighbor.
- 19 He who loves disobedience loves strife. One who builds a high gate seeks destruction.
- 20 One who has a perverse heart doesn't find prosperity, and one who has a deceitful tongue falls into trouble.
- 21 He who becomes the father of a fool grieves. The father of a fool has no joy.
- 22 A cheerful heart makes good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.
- 23 A wicked man receives a bribe in secret, to pervert the ways of justice.
- 24 Wisdom is before the face of one who has understanding, but the eyes of a fool wander to the ends of the earth.
- 25 A foolish son brings grief to his father, and bitterness to her who bore him.
- 26 Also to punish the righteous is not good, nor to flog officials for their integrity.
- 27 He who spares his words has knowledge. He who is even tempered is a man of understanding.
- 28 Even a fool, when he keeps silent, is counted wise. When he shuts his lips, he is thought to be discerning.

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