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Jeremiah 31.

1 . The Remnant of Israel Saved. .

At that time, says YHWH, will I be the ELOHIM of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

2 Thus says YHWH, The people who were left of the sword found favor in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.

3 YHWH appeared of old to me, saying, Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness have I drawn you.

4 Again will I build you, and you shall be built, O virgin of Israel: again you shall be adorned with your tambourines, and shall go forth in the dances of those who make merry.

5 Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant, and shall enjoy its fruit.

6 For there shall be a day, that the watchmen on the hills of Ephraim shall cry, Arise, and let us go up to Zion to YHWH our ELOHIM!

7 For thus says YHWH, Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout for the chief of the nations: publish, praise, and say, YHWH, save your people, the remnant of Israel.

8 Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the uttermost parts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her who travails with child together: a great company shall they return here.

9 They shall come with weeping; and with petitions will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by rivers of waters, in a straight way in which they shall not stumble; for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.

10 Hear the word of YHWH, you nations, and declare it in the islands afar off; and say, He who scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as shepherd does his flock.

11 For YHWH has ransomed Jacob, and redeemed him from the hand of him who was stronger than he.

12 They shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow to the goodness of YHWH, to the grain, and to the new wine, and to the oil, and to the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

13 Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, and the young men and the old together; for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow.

14 I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness, and my people shall be satisfied with my goodness, says YHWH!

15 . Mercy on Ephraim. .

Thus says YHWH: A voice is heard in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping, Rachel weeping for her children; she refuses to be comforted for her children, because they are no more.

16 Thus says YHWH: Refrain your voice from weeping, and your eyes from tears; for your work shall be rewarded, says YHWH; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.

17 There is hope for your latter end, says YHWH; and your children shall come again to their own border.

18 I have surely heard Ephraim bemoaning himself thus, You have chastised me, and I was chastised, as a calf unaccustomed to the yoke: turn me, and I shall be turned; for you

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are YHWH my ELOHIM!

19 Surely after that I was turned, I repented; and after that I was instructed, I struck on my thigh: I was ashamed, yes, even confounded, because I bore the reproach of my youth.

20 Is Ephraim my dear son? is he a darling child? for as often as I speak against him, I do earnestly remember him still: therefore my heart yearns for him; I will surely have mercy on him, says YHWH!

21 Set up road signs, make guideposts; set your heart toward the highway, even the way by which you went: turn again, virgin of Israel, turn again to these your cities.

22 How long will you go here and there, you backsliding daughter? for YHWH has created a new thing in the earth: a woman shall encompass a man.

23 . Future Prosperity of Judah. .

Thus says YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel, Yet again shall they use this speech in the land of Judah and in its cities, when I shall bring again their captivity: YHWH bless you, habitation of righteousness, mountain of holiness.

24 Judah and all its cities shall dwell therein together, the farmers, and those who go about with flocks.

25 For I have satiated the weary soul, and every sorrowful soul have I replenished.

26 On this I awakened, and saw; and my sleep was sweet to me.

27 Behold, the days come, says YHWH, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of animal.

28 It shall happen that, like as I have watched over them to pluck up and to break down and to overthrow and to destroy and to afflict, so will I watch over them to build and to plant, says YHWH!

29 In those days they shall say no more, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge.

30 But everyone shall die for his own iniquity: every man who eats the sour grapes, his teeth shall be set on edge.

31 . A New Covenant. .

Behold, the days come, says YHWH, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:

32 not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they broke, although I was a husband to them, says YHWH!

33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says YHWH: I will put my Torah (teaching and instruction) in their inward parts, and in their heart will I write it; and I will be their ELOHIM, and they shall be my people:

34 and they shall teach no more every man his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, Know YHWH; for they shall all know me, from their least to their greatest, says YHWH: for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin will I remember no more.

35 Thus says YHWH, who gives the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, who stirs up the sea, so that its waves roar; YHWH of Hosts is his name:

36 If these ordinances depart from before me, says YHWH, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me forever.

37 Thus says YHWH: If heaven above can be measured, and the foundations of the earth searched out beneath, then will I also cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have done, says YHWH!

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38 Behold, the days come, says YHWH, that the city shall be built to YHWH from the tower of Hananel to the gate of the corner.

39 The measuring line shall go out further straight onward to the hill Gareb, and shall turn about to Goah.

40 The whole valley of the dead bodies and of the ashes, and all the fields to the brook Kidron, to the corner of the horse gate toward the east, shall be holy to YHWH; it shall not be plucked up, nor thrown down any more forever.

Jeremiah 32.

1 **. Jeremiah Buys a Field. .**

The word that came to Jeremiah from YHWH in the tenth year of Zedekiah king of Judah, which was the eighteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar.

2 Now at that time the king of Babylon's army was besieging Jerusalem; and Jeremiah the prophet was shut up in the court of the guard, which was in the king of Judah's house.

3 For Zedekiah king of Judah had shut him up, saying, Why do you prophesy, and say, Thus says YHWH, Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;

4 and Zedekiah king of Judah shall not escape out of the hand of the Kasdim, but shall surely be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and his eyes shall see his eyes;

5 and he shall bring Zedekiah to Babylon, and he shall be there until I visit him, says YHWH: though you fight with the Kasdim, you shall not prosper?

6 Jeremiah said, The word of YHWH came to me, saying,

7 Behold, Hanamel the son of Shallum your uncle shall come to you, saying, Buy my field that is in Anathoth; for the right of redemption is yours to buy it.

8 So Hanamel my uncle's son came to me in the court of the guard according to the word of YHWH, and said to me, Please buy my field that is in Anathoth, which is in the land of Benjamin; for the right of inheritance is yours, and the redemption is yours; buy it for yourself. Then I knew that this was the word of YHWH!

9 I bought the field that was in Anathoth of Hanamel my uncle's son, and weighed him the money, even seventeen shekels of silver.

10 I subscribed the deed, and sealed it, and called witnesses, and weighed him the money in the balances.

11 So I took the deed of the purchase, both that which was sealed, containing the terms and conditions, and that which was open;

12 and I delivered the deed of the purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, the son of Mahseiah, in the presence of Hanamel my uncle's son, and in the presence of the witnesses who subscribed the deed of the purchase, before all the Jews who sat in the court of the guard.

13 I commanded Baruch before them, saying,

14 Thus says YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Take these deeds, this deed of the purchase which is sealed, and this deed which is open, and put them in an earthen vessel; that they may continue many days.

15 For thus says YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall yet again be bought in this land.

16 **. Jeremiah Prays for Understanding. .**

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Now after I had delivered the deed of the purchase to Baruch the son of Neriah, I prayed to YHWH, saying,

17 Ah ADONAI YHWH! Behold, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and by your outstretched arm; there is nothing too hard for you,

18 who show loving kindness to thousands, and recompense the iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them; the great, the mighty ELOHIM, YHWH of Hosts is his name;

19 great in counsel, and mighty in work; whose eyes are open on all the ways of the sons of men, to give everyone according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:

20 who performed signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even to this day, both in Israel and among other men; and made yourself a name, as in this day;

21 and brought forth your people Israel out of the land of Egypt with signs, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with an outstretched arm, and with great terror;

22 and gave them this land, which you swore to their fathers to give them, a land flowing with milk and honey;

23 and they came in, and possessed it, but they didn't obey your voice, neither walked in your Torah (teaching and instruction); they have done nothing of all that you commanded them to do: therefore you have caused all this evil to come on them.

24 Behold, the mounds, they have come to the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the Kasdim who fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence; and what you have spoken has happened; and behold, you see it.

25 You have said to me, ADONAI YHWH, Buy the field for money, and call witnesses; whereas the city is given into the hand of the Kasdim.

26 . ELOHIM's Assurance of the People's Return. .

Then came the word of YHWH to Jeremiah, saying,

27 Behold, I am YHWH, the ELOHIM of all flesh: is there anything too hard for me?

28 Therefore thus says YHWH: Behold, I will give this city into the hand of the Kasdim, and into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and he shall take it:

29 and the Kasdim, who fight against this city, shall come and set this city on fire, and burn it, with the houses, on whose roofs they have offered incense to Baal, and poured out drink offerings to other idol gods, to provoke me to anger.

30 For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have done only that which was evil in my sight from their youth; for the children of Israel have only provoked me to anger with the work of their hands, says YHWH!

31 For this city has been to me a provocation of my anger and of my wrath from the day that they built it even to this day; that I should remove it from before my face,

32 because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah, which they have done to provoke me to anger, they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

33 They have turned to me the back, and not the face: and though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them, yet they have not listened to receive instruction.

34 But they set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to defile it.

35 They built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire to Molech; which I didn't command them, neither did it come into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin.

36 Now therefore thus says YHWH, the ELOHIM of Israel, concerning this city, about which you say, It is given into the hand of the king of Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence:

37 Behold, I will gather them out of all the countries, where I have driven them in my

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anger, and in my wrath, and in great indignation; and I will bring them again to this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely:

38 and they shall be my people, and I will be their ELOHIM:

39 and I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever, for their good, and of their children after them:

40 and I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from following them, to do them good; and I will put my fear in their hearts, that they may not depart from me.

41 Yes, I will rejoice over them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.

42 For thus says YHWH: Like as I have brought all this great evil on this people, so will I bring on them all the good that I have promised them.

43 Fields shall be bought in this land, about which you say, It is desolate, without man or animal; it is given into the hand of the Kasdim.

44 Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe the deeds, and seal them, and call witnesses, in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah, and in the cities of the hill country, and in the cities of the lowland, and in the cities of the South: for I will cause their captivity to return, says YHWH!

Psalms 134.

1 . A Song of Ascents..

A Song of Ascents. Look! Praise YHWH, all you servants of YHWH, who stand by night in YHWH's house!

2 Lift up your hands in the sanctuary. Praise YHWH!

3 May YHWH bless you from Zion; even he who made heaven and earth.

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;

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:

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- 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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