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Jeremiah 35.

1 . The Obedient Rechabites. .

The word which came to Jeremiah from YHWH in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, saying,

2 Go to the house of the Rechabites, and speak to them, and bring them into the house of YHWH, into one of the rooms, and give them wine to drink.

3 Then I took Jaazaniah the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habazziniah, and his brothers, and all his sons, and the whole house of the Rechabites;

4 and I brought them into the house of YHWH, into the room of the sons of Hanan the son of Igdaliah, the man of ELOHIM, which was by the room of the princes, which was above the room of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the threshold.

5 I set before the sons of the house of the Rechabites bowls full of wine, and cups; and I said to them, Drink wine!

6 But they said, We will drink no wine; for Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, commanded us, saying, You shall drink no wine, neither you, nor your sons, forever: 7 neither shall you build house, nor sow seed, nor plant vineyard, nor have any; but all your days you shall dwell in tents; that you may live many days in the land in which you live.

8 We have obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab, our father, in all that he commanded us, to drink no wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, or our daughters; 9 nor to build houses for us to dwell in; neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed: 10 but we have lived in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that Jonadab our father commanded us.

11 But it happened, when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up into the land, that we said, Come, and let us go to Jerusalem for fear of the army of the Kasdim, and for fear of the army of the Syrians; so we dwell at Jerusalem.

12 Then came the word of YHWH to Jeremiah, saying,

13 Thus says YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Go, and tell the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, Will you not receive instruction to listen to my words? says YHWH!

14 The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons, not to drink wine, are performed; and to this day they drink none, for they obey their father's commandment: but I have spoken to you, rising up early and speaking; and you have not listened to me.

15 I have sent also to you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Return now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and don't go after other idol_gods to serve them, and you shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but you have not inclined your ear, nor listened to me.

16 Because the sons of Jonadab the son of Rechab have performed the commandment of their father which he commanded them, but this people has not listened to me;

17 therefore thus says YHWH, the ELOHIM of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Behold, I will bring on Judah and on all the inhabitants of Jerusalem all the evil that I have pronounced against them; because I have spoken to them, but they have not heard; and I have called to them, but they have not answered.

18 Jeremiah said to the house of the Rechabites, Thus says YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Because you have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab your father, and kept all his precepts, and done according to all that he commanded you;

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19 therefore thus savs YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Jonadab the son of Rechab shall not want a man to stand before me forever.

Jeremiah 36.

. The Scroll Read in the Temple. . 1

It happened in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, that this word came to Jeremiah from YHWH, saving,

2 Take a scroll of a book, and write therein all the words that I have spoken to you against Israel, and against Judah, and against all the nations, from the day I spoke to you, from the days of Josiah, even to this day.

3 It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do to them: that they may return every man from his evil way; that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

4 Then Jeremiah called Baruch the son of Neriah; and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of YHWH, which he had spoken to him, on a scroll of a book.

5 Jeremiah commanded Baruch, saving, I am shut up; I can't go into the house of YHWH:

6 therefore you go, and read in the scroll, which you have written from my mouth, the words of YHWH in the ears of the people in YHWH's house on the fast day; and also you shall read them in the ears of all Judah who come out of their cities.

7 It may be they will present their supplication before YHWH, and will return everyone from his evil way; for great is the anger and the wrath that YHWH has pronounced against this people.

8 Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him, reading in the book the words of YHWH in YHWH's house.

9 Now it happened in the fifth year of Jehojakim the son of Josiah, king of Judah, in the ninth month, that all the people in Jerusalem, and all the people who came from the cities of Judah to Jerusalem, proclaimed a fast before YHWH!

10 Then read Baruch in the book the words of Jeremiah in the house of YHWH, in the room of Gemariah the son of Shaphan, the scribe, in the upper court, at the entry of the new gate of YHWH's house, in the ears of all the people.

. The Scroll Read in the Palace. . 11

When Micaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had heard out of the book all the words of YHWH.

12 he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's room: and behold, all the princes were sitting there, to wit, Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Shaphan, and Zedekiah the son of Hananiah, and all the princes.

13 Then Micaiah declared to them all the words that he had heard, when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.

14 Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi, to Baruch, saving, Take in your hand the scroll in which you have read in the ears of the people, and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the scroll in his hand, and came to them.

15 They said to him, Sit down now, and read it in our ears. So Baruch read it in their ears.

16 Now it happened, when they had heard all the words, they turned in fear one toward another, and said to Baruch. We will surely tell the king of all these words.

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17 They asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now, How did you write all these words at his mouth?

18 Then Baruch answered them, He pronounced all these words to me with his mouth, and I wrote them with ink in the book.

19 Then the princes said to Baruch, Go, hide, you and Jeremiah; and let no man know where you are.

20 . The King Destroys Jeremiah's Scroll. .

They went in to the king into the court; but they had laid up the scroll in the room of Elishama the scribe; and they told all the words in the ears of the king.

21 So the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll; and he took it out of the room of Elishama the scribe. Jehudi read it in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes who stood beside the king.

22 Now the king was sitting in the winter house in the ninth month: and there was a fire in the brazier burning before him.

23 It happened, when Jehudi had read three or four leaves, that the king cut it with the penknife, and cast it into the fire that was in the brazier, until all the scroll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier.

24 They were not afraid, nor tore their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants who heard all these words.

25 Moreover Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had made intercession to the king that he would not burn the scroll; but he would not hear them.

26 The king commanded Jerahmeel the king's son, and Seraiah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel, to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet; but YHWH hid them.

27 <u>Jeremiah Rewrites the Scroll.</u>

Then the word of YHWH came to Jeremiah, after that the king had burned the scroll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saying,

28 Take again another scroll, and write in it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah has burned.

29 Concerning Jehoiakim king of Judah you shall say, Thus says YHWH: You have burned this scroll, saying, Why have you written therein, saying, The king of Babylon shall certainly come and destroy this land, and shall cause to cease from there man and animal?

30 Therefore thus says YHWH concerning Jehoiakim king of Judah: He shall have none to sit on the throne of David; and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.

31 I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity; and I will bring on them, and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and on the men of Judah, all the evil that I have pronounced against them, but they didn't listen.

32 Then took Jeremiah another scroll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe, the son of Neriah, who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the book which Jehoiakim king of Judah had burned in the fire; and there were added besides to them many like words.

Psalms 136.

1 . Thanksgiving to ELOHIM for His Enduring Mercy. .

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Give thanks to YHWH, for he is good; for his loving kindness endures forever. 2 Give thanks to the ELOHIM of idol gods; for his loving kindness endures forever. 3 Give thanks to the Master of masters; for his loving kindness endures forever:

4 To him who alone does great wonders; for his loving kindness endures forever:

5 To him who by understanding made the heavens; for his loving kindness endures forever:

6 To him who spread out the earth above the waters; for his loving kindness endures forever:

7 To him who made the great lights; for his loving kindness endures forever:

8 The sun to rule by day; for his loving kindness endures forever;

9 The moon and stars to rule by night; for his loving kindness endures forever:

10 To him who struck down the Egyptian firstborn: for his loving kindness endures forever:

11 And brought out Israel from among them; for his loving kindness endures forever; 12 With a strong hand, and with an outstretched arm; for his loving kindness endures forever:

13 To him who divided the Sea of Suf apart; for his loving kindness endures forever;

14 And made Israel to pass through its midst; for his loving kindness endures forever;

15 But overthrew Pharaoh and his army in the Sea of Suf; for his loving kindness endures forever:

16 To him who led his people through the wilderness; for his loving kindness endures forever:

17 To him who struck great kings: for his loving kindness endures forever:

18 And killed mighty kings; for his loving kindness endures forever:

19 Sihon king of the Amorites; for his loving kindness endures forever;

20 Og king of Bashan; for his loving kindness endures forever;

21 And gave their land as an inheritance; for his loving kindness endures forever;

22 Even a heritage to Israel his servant; for his loving kindness endures forever:

23 Who remembered us in our low estate; for his loving kindness endures forever;

24 And has delivered us from our adversaries; for his loving kindness endures forever:

25 Who gives food to every creature; for his loving kindness endures forever.

26 Oh give thanks to the El of heaven; for his loving kindness endures forever.

Proverbs 4.

. Security in Wisdom. . 1

Listen, sons, to a father's instruction. Pay attention and know understanding;

2 for I give you sound learning. Don't forsake my Torah (teaching and instruction).

3 For I was a son to my father, tender and an only child in the sight of my mother.

4 He taught me, and said to me: "Let your heart retain my words. Keep my commandments, and live.

5 Get wisdom. Get understanding. Don't forget, neither swerve from the words of my mouth.

6 Don't forsake her, and she will preserve you. Love her, and she will keep you. 7 Wisdom is supreme. Get wisdom. Yes, though it costs all your possessions, get understanding.

8 Esteem her, and she will exalt you. She will bring you to honor, when you embrace her. 9 She will give to your head a garland of grace. She will deliver a crown of splendor to vo11."

10 Listen, my son, and receive my sayings. The years of your life will be many.

11 I have taught you in the way of wisdom. I have led you in straight paths.

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12 When you go, your steps will not be hampered. When you run, you will not stumble.

13 Take firm hold of instruction. Don't let her go. Keep her, for she is your life.

14 Don't enter into the path of the wicked. Don't walk in the way of evil men.

15 Avoid it, and don't pass by it. Turn from it, and pass on.

16 For they don't sleep, unless they do evil. Their sleep is taken away, unless they make someone fall.

17 For they eat the bread of wickedness, and drink the wine of violence.

18 But the path of the righteous is like the dawning light, that shines more and more until the perfect day.

19 The way of the wicked is like darkness. They don't know what they stumble over.

20 My son, attend to my words. Turn your ear to my sayings.

21 Let them not depart from your eyes. Keep them in the midst of your heart.

22 For they are life to those who find them, and health to their whole body.

23 Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it is the wellspring of life.

24 Put away from yourself a perverse mouth. Put corrupt lips far from you.

25 Let your eyes look straight ahead. Fix your gaze directly before you.

26 Make the path of your feet level. Let all of your ways be established.

27 Don't turn to the right hand nor to the left. Remove your foot from evil.

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