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Day 332. 27-November Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

Jeremiah 49.

Judgment on Ammon. .

Of the children of Ammon. Thus says YHWH: Has Israel no sons? has he no heir? why then does Malcam possess Gad, and his people well in its cities?

- 2 Therefore, behold, the days come, says YHWH, that I will cause an alarm of war to be heard against Rabbah of the children of Ammon; and it shall become a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel possess those who possessed him, says YHWH!
- 3 Wail, Heshbon, for Ai is laid waste; cry, you daughters of Rabbah, clothe yourself in sackcloth: lament, and run back and forth among the fences; for Malcam shall go into captivity, his priests and his princes together.
- 4 Why do you glory in the valleys, your flowing valley, backsliding daughter? who trusted in her treasures, saying, Who shall come to me?
- 5 Behold, I will bring a fear on you, says ADONAI, YHWH of Hosts, from all who are around you; and you shall be driven out every man right forth, and there shall be none to gather together the fugitives.
- 6 But afterward I will bring back the captivity of the children of Ammon, says YHWH!

7 <u>Judgment on Edom.</u>

Of Edom. Thus says YHWH of Hosts: Is wisdom no more in Teman? is counsel perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished?

- 8 Flee, turn back, dwell in the depths, inhabitants of Dedan; for I will bring the calamity of Esau on him, the time that I shall visit him.
- 9 If grape gatherers came to you, would they not leave some gleaning grapes? if thieves by night, wouldn't they destroy until they had enough?
- 10 But I have made Esau bare, I have uncovered his secret places, and he shall not be able to hide himself: his seed is destroyed, and his brothers, and his neighbors; and he is no more.
- 11 Leave your fatherless children, I will preserve them alive; and let your widows trust in me.
- 12 For thus says YHWH: Behold, they to whom it didn't pertain to drink of the cup shall certainly drink; and are you he who shall altogether go unpunished? You shall not go unpunished, but you shall surely drink.
- 13 For I have sworn by myself, says YHWH, that Bozrah shall become an astonishment, a reproach, a waste, and a curse; and all its cities shall be perpetual wastes.
- 14 I have heard news from YHWH, and an ambassador is sent among the nations, saying, Gather yourselves together, and come against her, and rise up to the battle.
- 15 For, behold, I have made you small among the nations, and despised among men.
- 16 As for your terror, the pride of your heart has deceived you, O you who dwell in the clefts of the rock, who hold the height of the hill: though you should make your nest as high as the eagle, I will bring you down from there, says YHWH!
- 17 Edom shall become an astonishment: everyone who passes by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all its plagues.
- 18 As in the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbor cities of it, says YHWH, no man shall dwell there, neither shall any son of man live therein.
- 19 Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the pride of the Jordan against the strong habitation: for I will suddenly make them run away from it; and whoever is chosen, him will I appoint over it: for who is like me? and who will appoint me a time? and who is the

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shepherd who will stand before me?

- 20 Therefore hear the counsel of YHWH, that he has taken against Edom; and his purposes, that he has purposed against the inhabitants of Teman: Surely they shall drag them away, even the little ones of the flock; surely he shall make their habitation desolate over them.
- 21 The earth trembles at the noise of their fall; there is a cry, the noise which is heard in the Sea of Suf.
- 22 Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread out his wings against Bozrah: and the heart of the mighty men of Edom at that day shall be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.

. Judgment on Damascus. .

Of Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad; for they have heard evil news, they are melted away: there is sorrow on the sea; it can't be quiet.

- 24 Damascus has grown feeble, she turns herself to flee, and trembling has seized on her: anguish and sorrows have taken hold of her, as of a woman in travail.
- 25 How is the city of praise not forsaken, the city of my joy?
- 26 Therefore her young men shall fall in her streets, and all the men of war shall be brought to silence in that day, says YHWH of Hosts.
- 27 I will kindle a fire in the wall of Damascus, and it shall devour the palaces of Ben Hadad.

28 . Judgment on Kedar and Hazor...

Of Kedar, and of the kingdoms of Hazor, which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon struck. Thus says YHWH: Arise, go up to Kedar, and destroy the children of the east.

- 29 Their tents and their flocks shall they take; they shall carry away for themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels; and they shall cry to them, Terror on every side!
- 30 Flee, wander far off, dwell in the depths, you inhabitants of Hazor, says YHWH; for Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon has taken counsel against you, and has conceived a purpose against you.
- 31 Arise, go up to a nation that is at ease, that dwells without care, says YHWH; that have neither gates nor bars, that dwell alone.
- 32 Their camels shall be a booty, and the multitude of their livestock a spoil: and I will scatter to all winds those who have the corners of their hair cut off; and I will bring their calamity from every side of them, says YHWH!
- 33 Hazor shall be a dwelling place of jackals, a desolation forever: no man shall dwell there, neither shall any son of man live therein.

34 . Judgment on Elam. .

The word of YHWH that came to Jeremiah the prophet concerning Elam, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

- 35 Thus says YHWH of Hosts: Behold, I will break the bow of Elam, the chief of their might.
- 36 On Elam will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of the sky, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation where the outcasts of Elam shall not come.
- 37 I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before those who seek their life; and I will bring evil on them, even my fierce anger, says YHWH; and I will send

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the sword after them, until I have consumed them;

- 38 and I will set my throne in Elam, and will destroy from there king and princes, says YHWH!
- 39 But it shall happen in the latter days, that I will bring back the captivity of Elam, says YHWH!

Jeremiah 50.

Judgment on Babylon and Babylonia.

The word that YHWH spoke concerning Babylon, concerning the land of the Kasdim, by Jeremiah the prophet.

- 2 Declare among the nations and publish, and set up a standard; publish, and don't conceal: say, Babylon is taken, Bel is disappointed, Merodach is dismayed; her images are disappointed, her idols are dismayed.
- 3 For out of the north there comes up a nation against her, which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell therein: they are fled, they are gone, both man and animal.
- 4 In those days, and in that time, says YHWH, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of Judah together; they shall go on their way weeping, and shall seek YHWH their ELOHIM!
- 5 They shall inquire concerning Zion with their faces turned toward it, saying, Come, and join yourselves to YHWH in an everlasting covenant that shall not be forgotten.
- 6 My people have been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray; they have turned them away on the mountains; they have gone from mountain to hill; they have forgotten their resting place.
- 7 All who found them have devoured them; and their adversaries said, We are not guilty, because they have sinned against YHWH, the habitation of righteousness, even YHWH, the hope of their fathers.
- 8 Flee out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Kasdim, and be as the male goats before the flocks.
- 9 For, behold, I will stir up and cause to come up against Babylon a company of great nations from the north country; and they shall set themselves in array against her; from there she shall be taken: their arrows shall be as of an expert mighty man; none shall return in vain.
- 10 The land of the Kasdim shall be a prey: all who prey on her shall be satisfied, says YHWH!
- 11 Because you are glad, because you rejoice, O you who plunder my heritage, because you are wanton as a heifer that treads out the grain, and neigh as strong horses;
- 12 your mother shall be utterly disappointed; she who bore you shall be confounded: behold, she shall be the least of the nations, a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.
- 13 Because of the wrath of YHWH she shall not be inhabited, but she shall be wholly desolate: everyone who goes by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.
- 14 Set yourselves in array against Babylon all around, all you who bend the bow; shoot at her, spare no arrows: for she has sinned against YHWH!
- 15 Shout against her all around: she has submitted herself; her bulwarks are fallen, her walls are thrown down; for it is the vengeance of YHWH: take vengeance on her; as she has done, do to her.
- 16 Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him who handles the sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn everyone to his people, and they shall flee everyone to his own land.
- 17 Israel is a hunted sheep; the lions have driven him away: first, the king of Assyria

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devoured him; and now at last Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon has broken his bones.

- 18 Therefore thus says YHWH of Hosts, the ELOHIM of Israel: Behold, I will punish the king of Babylon and his land, as I have punished the king of Assyria.
- 19 I will bring Israel again to his pasture, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan, and his soul shall be satisfied on the hills of Ephraim and in Gilead.
- 20 In those days, and in that time, says YHWH, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I leave as a remnant.
- 21 Go up against the land of Merathaim, even against it, and against the inhabitants of Pekod: kill and utterly destroy after them, says YHWH, and do according to all that I have commanded you.
- 22 A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction.
- 23 How is the hammer of the whole earth cut apart and broken! how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!
- 24 I have laid a snare for you, and you are also taken, Babylon, and you weren't aware: you are found, and also caught, because you have striven against YHWH!
- 25 YHWH has opened his armory, and has brought forth the weapons of his indignation; for ADONAI, YHWH of Hosts, has a work to do in the land of the Kasdim.
- 26 Come against her from the utmost border; open her storehouses; cast her up as heaps, and destroy her utterly; let nothing of her be left.
- 27 Kill all her bulls; let them go down to the slaughter: woe to them! for their day has come, the time of their visitation.
- 28 The voice of those who flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of YHWH our ELOHIM, the vengeance of his temple.
- 29 Call together the archers against Babylon, all those who bend the bow; encamp against her all around; let none of it escape: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she has done, do to her; for she has been proud against YHWH, against the Holy One of Israel.
- 30 Therefore her young men will fall in her streets, and all her men of war will be brought to silence in that day, says YHWH!
- 31 Behold, I am against you, you proud one, says ADONAI, YHWH of Hosts; for your day has come, the time that I will visit you.
- 32 The proud one shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up; and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all who are around him.
- 33 Thus says YHWH of Hosts: The children of Israel and the children of Judah are oppressed together; and all who took them captive hold them fast; they refuse to let them go.
- 34 Their Redeemer is strong: YHWH of Hosts is his name; he will thoroughly plead their cause, that he may give rest to the earth, and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.
- 35 A sword is on the Kasdim, says YHWH, and on the inhabitants of Babylon, and on her princes, and on her wise men.
- 36 A sword is on the boasters, and they shall become fools; a sword is on her mighty men, and they shall be dismayed.
- 37 A sword is on their horses, and on their chariots, and on all the mixed people who are in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: a sword is on her treasures, and they shall be robbed.
- 38 A drought is on her waters, and they shall be dried up; for it is a land of engraved images, and they are mad over idols.
- 39 Therefore the wild animals of the desert with the wolves shall dwell there, and the ostriches shall dwell therein: and it shall be no more inhabited forever; neither shall it be lived in from generation to generation.

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- 40 As when ELOHIM overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbor cities of it, says YHWH, so shall no man dwell there, neither shall any son of man live therein.
- 41 Behold, a people comes from the north; and a great nation and many kings shall be stirred up from the uttermost parts of the earth.
- 42 They lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roars like the sea; and they ride on horses, everyone set in array, as a man to the battle, against you, daughter of Babylon.
- 43 The king of Babylon has heard the news of them, and his hands wax feeble: anguish has taken hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail.
- 44 Behold, the enemy shall come up like a lion from the pride of the Jordan against the strong habitation: for I will suddenly make them run away from it; and whoever is chosen, him will I appoint over it: for who is like me? and who will appoint me a time? and who is the shepherd who can stand before me?
- 45 Therefore hear the counsel of YHWH, that he has taken against Babylon; and his purposes, that he has purposed against the land of the Kasdim: Surely they shall drag them away, even the little ones of the flock; surely he shall make their habitation desolate over them.
- 46 At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth trembles, and the cry is heard among the nations.

Psalms 143.

. A Psalm of David...

A Psalm by David. Hear my prayer, YHWH! Listen to my petitions. In your faithfulness and righteousness, relieve me.

- 2 Don't enter into judgment with your servant, for in your sight no man living is righteous.
- 3 For the enemy pursues my soul. He has struck my life down to the ground. He has made me live in dark places, as those who have been long dead.
- 4 Therefore my spirit is overwhelmed within me. My heart within me is desolate.
- 5 I remember the days of old. I meditate on all your doings. I contemplate the work of vour hands.
- 6 I spread forth my hands to you. My soul thirsts for you, like a parched land. Selah.
- 7 Hurry to answer me, YHWH! My spirit fails. Don't hide your face from me, so that I don't become like those who go down into the pit.
- 8 Cause me to hear your loving kindness in the morning, for I trust in you. Cause me to know the way in which I should walk, for I lift up my soul to you.
- 9 Deliver me, YHWH, from my enemies. I flee to you to hide me.
- 10 Teach me to do your will, for you are my ELOHIM! Your Spirit is good. Lead me in the land of uprightness.
- 11 Revive me, YHWH, for your name's sake. In your righteousness, bring my soul out of trouble.
- 12 In your loving kindness, cut off my enemies, and destroy all those who afflict my soul, For I am your servant.

Proverbs 11.

- 1 A false balance is an abomination to YHWH, but accurate weights are his delight.
- 2 When pride comes, then comes shame, but with humility comes wisdom.
- 3 The integrity of the upright shall guide them, but the perverseness of the treacherous shall destroy them.

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- 4 Riches don't profit in the day of wrath, but righteousness delivers from death.
- 5 The righteousness of the blameless will direct his way, but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.
- 6 The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them, but the unfaithful will be trapped by evil desires.
- 7 When a wicked man dies, hope perishes, and expectation of power comes to nothing.
- 8 A righteous person is delivered out of trouble, and the wicked takes his place.
- 9 With his mouth the godless man destroys his neighbor, but the righteous will be delivered through knowledge.
- 10 When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices. When the wicked perish, there is shouting.
- 11 By the blessing of the upright, the city is exalted, but it is overthrown by the mouth of the wicked.
- 12 One who despises his neighbor is void of wisdom, but a man of understanding holds his peace.
- 13 One who brings gossip betrays a confidence, but one who is of a trustworthy spirit is one who keeps a secret.
- 14 Where there is no wise guidance, the nation falls, but in the multitude of counselors there is victory.
- 15 He who is collateral for a stranger will suffer for it, but he who refuses pledges of collateral is secure.
- 16 A gracious woman obtains honor, but violent men obtain riches.
- 17 The merciful man does good to his own soul, but he who is cruel troubles his own flesh.
- 18 Wicked people earn deceitful wages, but one who sows righteousness reaps a sure reward.
- 19 He who is truly righteous gets life. He who pursues evil gets death.
- 20 Those who are perverse in heart are an abomination to YHWH, but those whose ways are blameless are his delight.
- 21 Most certainly, the evil man will not be unpunished, but the seed of the righteous will be delivered.
- 22 Like a gold ring in a pig's snout, is a beautiful woman who lacks discretion.
- 23 The desire of the righteous is only good. The expectation of the wicked is wrath.
- 24 There is one who scatters, and increases yet more. There is one who withholds more than is appropriate, but gains poverty.
- 25 The liberal soul shall be made fat. He who waters shall be watered also himself.
- 26 People curse someone who withholds grain, but blessing will be on the head of him who sells it.
- 27 He who diligently seeks good seeks favor, but he who searches after evil, it shall come to him.
- 28 He who trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous shall flourish as the green leaf.
- 29 He who troubles his own house shall inherit the wind. The foolish shall be servant to the wise of heart.
- 30 The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life. He who is wise wins souls.
- 31 Behold, the righteous shall be repaid in the earth; how much more the wicked and the sinner!
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