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Day 342. 7-December Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

Ezekiel 10.

1 . The Glory Departs from the Temple. .

Then I looked, and see, in the expanse that was over the head of the cherubim there appeared above them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne.

2 He spoke to the man clothed in linen, and said, Go in between the whirling wheels, even under the cherub, and fill both your hands with coals of fire from between the cherubim, and scatter them over the city. He went in as I watched.

3 Now the cherubim stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court.

4 The glory of YHWH mounted up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of YHWH's glory.

5 The sound of the wings of the cherubim was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of ELOHIM Almighty when he speaks.

6 It came to pass, when he commanded the man clothed in linen, saying, Take fire from between the whirling wheels, from between the cherubim, that he went in, and stood beside a wheel.

7 The cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubim to the fire that was between the cherubim, and took of it, and put it into the hands of him who was clothed in linen, who took it and went out.

8 There appeared in the cherubim the form of a man's hand under their wings.

9 I looked, and behold, four wheels beside the cherubim, one wheel beside one cherub, and another wheel beside another cherub; and the appearance of the wheels was like a beryl stone.

10 As for their appearance, the four of them had one likeness, like a wheel within a wheel.

11 When they went, they went in their four directions: they didn't turn as they went, but to the place where the head looked they followed it; they didn't turn as they went.

12 Their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes all around, even the wheels that the four of them had.

13 As for the wheels, they were called in my hearing, the whirling wheels.

14 Every one had four faces: the first face was the face of the cherub, and the second face was the face of a man, and the third face the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.

15 The cherubim mounted up: this is the living creature that I saw by the river Chebar. 16 When the cherubim went, the wheels went beside them; and when the cherubim lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the wheels also didn't turn from beside them. 17 When they stood, these stood; and when they mounted up, these mounted up with them: for the spirit of the living creature was in them.

18 The glory of YHWH went forth from over the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubim.

19 The cherubim lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight when they went forth, and the wheels beside them: and they stood at the door of the east gate of YHWH's house; and the glory of the ELOHIM of Israel was over them above.

20 This is the living creature that I saw under the ELOHIM of Israel by the river Chebar; and I knew that they were cherubim.

21 Every one had four faces, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a

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man was under their wings.

22 As for the likeness of their faces, they were the faces which I saw by the river Chebar, their appearances and themselves; they went every one straight forward.

Ezekiel 11.

. Judgment on Wicked Counselors. . 1

Moreover the Spirit lifted me up, and brought me to the east gate of YHWH's house, which looks eastward: and see, at the door of the gate twenty-five men; and I saw in their midst Jaazaniah the son of Azzur, and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah, princes of the people. 2 He said to me, Son of man, these are the men who devise iniquity, and who give wicked counsel in this city:

3 who say, The time is not near to build houses: this city is the caldron, and we are the flesh.

4 Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy, son of man.

5 The Spirit of YHWH fell on me, and he said to me, Speak, Thus says YHWH: Thus you have said, house of Israel; for I know the things that come into your mind.

6 You have multiplied your slain in this city, and you have filled its streets with the slain. 7 Therefore thus says ADONAI YHWH: Your slain whom you have laid in its midst, they are the flesh, and this city is the caldron; but you shall be brought out of its midst.

8 You have feared the sword; and I will bring the sword on you, says ADONAI YHWH! 9 I will bring you forth out of its midst, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you.

10 You shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel; and you shall know that I am YHWH!

11 This city shall not be your caldron, neither shall you be the flesh in its midst; I will judge vou in the border of Israel:

12 and you shall know that I am YHWH: for you have not walked in my statutes, neither have you executed my ordinances, but have done after the ordinances of the nations that are around you.

13 It happened, when I prophesied, that Pelatiah the son of Benaiah died. Then fell I down on my face, and cried with a loud voice, and said, Ah ADONAI YHWH! will you make a full end of the remnant of Israel?

. ELOHIM Will Restore Israel. . 14

The word of YHWH came to me, saving,

15 Son of man, your brothers, even your brothers, the men of your relatives, and all the house of Israel, all of them, are they to whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem have said, Go far away from YHWH! This land has been given to us for a possession.

16 Therefore say, Thus says ADONAI YHWH: Whereas I have removed them far off among the nations, and whereas I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them a sanctuary for a little while in the countries where they have come.

17 Therefore say, Thus says ADONAI YHWH: I will gather you from the peoples, and assemble you out of the countries where you have been scattered, and I will give you Eretz-Israel.

18 They shall come there, and they shall take away all the detestable things of it and all its abominations from there.

19 I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them a heart of flesh;

20 that they may walk in my statutes, and keep my ordinances, and do them: and they

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shall be my people, and I will be their ELOHIM!

21 But as for them whose heart walks after the heart of their detestable things and their abominations, I will bring their way on their own heads, says ADONAI YHWH!

22 Then the cherubim lifted up their wings, and the wheels were beside them; and the glory of the ELOHIM of Israel was over them above.

23 The glory of YHWH went up from the midst of the city, and stood on the mountain which is on the east side of the city.

24 The Spirit lifted me up, and brought me in the vision by the Spirit of ELOHIM into Kasdimah, to them of the captivity. So the vision that I had seen went up from me. 25 Then I spoke to them of the captivity all the things that YHWH had shown me.

Isaiah 42.

1 . The Servant of YHWH. .

"Behold, my servant, whom I uphold; my chosen, in whom my soul delights I have put my Spirit on him. He will bring justice to the nations.

2 He will not shout, nor raise his voice, nor cause it to be heard in the street.

3 He won't break a bruised reed. He won't quench a dimly burning wick. He will faithfully bring justice.

4 He will not fail nor be discouraged, until he has set justice in the earth, and the islands will wait for his Torah (teaching and instruction)."

5 Thus says El YHWH, he who created the heavens and stretched them out, he who spread out the earth and that which comes out of it, he who gives breath to its people and spirit to those who walk in it.

6 "I, YHWH, have called you in righteousness, and will hold your hand, and will keep you, and make you a covenant for the people, as a light for the nations;

7 to open the blind eyes, to bring the prisoners out of the dungeon, and those who sit in darkness out of the prison.

8 "I am YHWH! That is my name. I will not give my glory to another, nor my praise to engraved images.

9 Behold, the former things have happened, and I declare new things. I tell you about them before they come up."

10 . Praise to YHWH. .

Sing to YHWH a new song, and his praise from the end of the earth, you who go down to the sea, and all that is therein, the islands and their inhabitants.

11 Let the wilderness and its cities raise their voices, with the villages that Kedar inhabits. Let the inhabitants of Sela sing. Let them shout from the top of the mountains!12 Let them give glory to YHWH, and declare his praise in the islands.

13 YHWH will go out like a mighty man. He will stir up zeal like a man of war. He will raise a war cry. Yes, he will shout aloud. He will triumph over his enemies.

14 . Promise of YHWH's Help. .

"I have been silent a long time. I have been quiet and restrained myself. Now I will cry out like a travailing woman. I will both gasp and pant.

15 I will destroy mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs. I will make the rivers islands, and will dry up the pools.

16 I will bring the blind by a way that they don't know. I will lead them in paths that they don't know. I will make darkness light before them, and crooked places straight. I will

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do these things, and I will not forsake them.

17 "Those who trust in engraved images, who tell molten images, 'You are our gods' will be turned back. They will be utterly disappointed.

18 "Hear, you deaf, and look, you blind, that you may see.

19 Who is blind, but my servant? Or who is as deaf as my messenger whom I send? Who is as blind as he who is at peace, and as blind as YHWH's servant?

20 You see many things, but don't observe. His ears are open, but he doesn't listen.

21 . Israel's Obstinate Disobedience. .

It pleased YHWH, for his righteousness' sake, to magnify the Torah (teaching and instruction), and make it honorable.

22 But this is a robbed and plundered people. All of them are snared in holes, and they are hidden in prisons. They have become a prey, and no one delivers; and a spoil, and no one says, 'Restore them!'

23 Who is there among you who will give ear to this? Who will listen and hear for the time to come?

24 Who gave Jacob as plunder, and Israel to the robbers? Didn't YHWH, he against whom we have sinned? For they would not walk in his ways, and they disobeyed his Torah (teaching and instruction).

25 Therefore he poured the fierceness of his anger on him, and the strength of battle; and it set him on fire all around, but he didn't know; and it burned him, but he didn't take it to heart."

Psalms 3.

1 <u>A Psalm of David when he fled from Absalom his son...</u>

A Psalm by David, when he fled from Absalom his son. YHWH, how my adversaries have increased! Many are those who rise up against me.

2 Many there are who say of my soul, "There is no help for him in ELOHIM!" Selah.

3 But you, YHWH, are a shield around me, my glory, and the one who lifts up my head.

4 I cry to YHWH with my voice, and he answers me out of his holy hill. Selah.

5 I laid myself down and slept. I awakened; for YHWH sustains me.

6 I will not be afraid of tens of thousands of people who have set themselves against me on every side.

7 Arise, YHWH! Save me, my ELOHIM! For you have struck all of my enemies on the cheek bone. You have broken the teeth of the wicked.

8 Salvation belongs to YHWH! Your blessing be on your people. Selah.

Proverbs 21.

1 The king's heart is in YHWH's hand like the watercourses. He turns it wherever he desires.

2 Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but YHWH weighs the hearts.

3 To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to YHWH than sacrifice.

4 A high look, and a proud heart, the lamp of the wicked, is sin.

5 The plans of the diligent surely lead to profit; and everyone who is hasty surely rushes to poverty.

6 Getting treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor for those who seek death.

7 The violence of the wicked will drive them away, because they refuse to do what is right.

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8 The way of the guilty is devious, but the conduct of the innocent is upright. 9 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than to share a house with a contentious woman.

10 The soul of the wicked desires evil; his neighbor finds no mercy in his eyes.

11 When the mocker is punished, the simple gains wisdom. When the wise is instructed, he receives knowledge.

12 The Righteous One considers the house of the wicked, and brings the wicked to ruin.13 Whoever stops his ears at the cry of the poor, he will also cry out, but shall not be heard.

14 A gift in secret pacifies anger; and a bribe in the cloak, strong wrath.

15 It is joy to the righteous to do justice; but it is a destruction to the workers of iniquity.16 The man who wanders out of the way of understanding shall rest in the assembly of the dead.

17 He who loves pleasure shall be a poor man. He who loves wine and oil shall not be rich.

18 The wicked is a ransom for the righteous; the treacherous for the upright.

19 It is better to dwell in a desert land, than with a contentious and fretful woman.

20 There is precious treasure and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man swallows it up.

21 He who follows after righteousness and kindness finds life, righteousness, and honor. 22 A wise man scales the city of the mighty, and brings down the strength of its confidence.

23 Whoever guards his mouth and his tongue keeps his soul from troubles.

24 The proud and haughty man, "scoffer" is his name; he works in the arrogance of pride.

²5 The desire of the sluggard kills him, for his hands refuse to labor.

26 There are those who covet greedily all day long; but the righteous give and don't withhold.

27 The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination: how much more, when he brings it with a wicked mind!

28 A false witness will perish, and a man who listens speaks to eternity.

29 A wicked man hardens his face; but as for the upright, he establishes his ways.

30 There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against YHWH!

31 The horse is prepared for the day of battle; but victory is with YHWH!

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