Duplicate Scriptures

Any sin confounds, and idolatry makes fools of men. There are those who claim to love the Lord, but love the Bible instead, which testifies of the Lord. The Bible has been a supreme god to multitudes. Many of these Bibliolaters have placed a heavy emphasis on every word, as though each had a supernatural, holy quality of its own. Does that leave any room for translation, which can never render the original language and sense perfectly by letter?

There are many duplicate Scriptures, some repeating nothing more than unknown names that inspire no one. Perhaps Biblical scholars with some in-depth investigation might be able to glean some interesting facts from such passages, but would they need repetition of them? If all words of the Bible were so important for edifying the spiritual pilgrim, why the duplication?

And if God was given to deliberately repeating Himself, why wouldn’t He consistently repeat the more wonderfully inspirational passages many have come to appreciate so much because of the precious truths contained in them?

God isn’t trying to bore us. There isn’t some great, mysterious spiritual reason behind the duplication. The Bible, though much inspired of God, has been put together by men with infirmities. It is a collection of writings, gathered and collated over many centuries, not written consecutively, like a novel or history book, and edited to remove repeated material. This accounts for much of the inconsistencies, repetitions, and variations (some ever so slight) contained therein.

These duplications can be accepted as a weak point of the collection of books known as the Bible, they can be held up as argument that the Bible is illegitimate (though this argument fails), or they can drive a Bible-idolater (Bibliolater) mad. Or perhaps the Bibliolater, already in a state of madness, is so satisfied with his imperfect god, he couldn’t care less about the truth or the God he professes to worship. (The latter makes sense when you realize idolatry is about serving the idolater, not the idol.)

We see the purpose of these faults and apparent inconsistencies of the Bible as God’s way of saying, “I am the Lord your God…. You shall have no other gods before Me” (Exodus 20:2-3). That which is imperfect in any way is never to be worshipped. If the Bible is perfect, then let it be worshipped, but if it is not to be worshipped, then I say to Bibliolaters, contrary to their insistence, the Bible is not perfect, so there.

It is written in the very Bible a Bibliolater worships, “You shall worship the Lord your God and **Him only shall you serve**” (Luke 4:8). Doesn’t idolatry make fools of men?

Here’s an interesting question to ask idolaters of the letter:

The Bible says, “For I testify unto every man that hears the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book” (Revelation 22:18-19 KJV).

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If I were to remove 1 Chronicles 8:29-38, but leave 1 Chronicles 9:35-44, would I be guilty of “taking away from the words of the book of this prophecy”? Here are those passages, in the most revered Authorized King James Version:

**1 Chronicles 8:29-38**  
(29) And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name was Maachah:  
(30) And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,  
(31) And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.  
(32) And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.  
(33) And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.  
(34) And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal; and Meribbaal begat Micah.  
(35) And the sons of Micah were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.  
(36) And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,  
(37) And Moza begat Binea: Rapha was his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son;  
(38) And Azel had six sons, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these were the sons of Azel.

**1 Chronicles 9:35-44**  
(35) And in Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name was Maachah:  
(36) And his firstborn son Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,  
(37) And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.  
(38) And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem, over against their brethren.  
(39) And Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.  
(40) And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal: and Meribbaal begat Micah.  
(41) And the sons of Micah were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, and Ahaz.  
(42) And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza;  
(43) And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.  
(44) And Azel had six sons, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these were the sons of Azel.  

This is but a sample of many duplicate passages. What “part of the book of life” would I take from myself, should I remove or never read one of those duplicate passages? What if I were to read one of them twice instead of each one once?  

Now some may argue that the Revelation statement pertained only to the Book of Revelation. Very well, then let’s go elsewhere in the Scriptures to find a similar admonition:  

“You shall not add to the word that I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you” (Deuteronomy 4:2 ESV).  

Or shall we try this?
“Every word of God proves true; He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him. Do not add to His words, lest He rebuke you and you be found a liar” (Proverbs 30:5-6 ESV).

Food for thought? How about cause for prayer?

By the way, who dared to add the books past the Deuteronomy admonition, including the Proverbs admonition? And who dared to add the books beyond the Proverbs admonition, including the New Testament? Did those prophets, priests, and scribes offend and die of plagues? Some certainly died premature deaths - as martyrs.

Food for thought? How about cause for prayer?

We aren’t including the plentiful repetition we find in the Gospels, the accounts of which often appear to be a collection of pictures (to use a metaphor), taken of the same subjects from different angles by different photographers, each demonstrating a unique perspective of the life and ministry of our Lord and Savior. We only count nearly identical passages, mostly found in the Old Testament. Keeping identical photographs in the same portfolio is not something one would normally do; rather, they would save the spare slots for other unique and enjoyable photographs to further enhance the collection and instruct the one informed.

So what does it mean to not add or subtract from the Scriptures? **It means not to pervert or contradict them, not to distort the Essence of the Scriptures.** Teachers and preachers distort the Scriptures every day from thousands of pulpits. Ironically, it is exactly what Bibliolaters do by their very stance!

Here are the duplicate passages we have found in our readings. If you have more, feel free to submit them to Sara Schmidt. We’d appreciate it very much.

The first of the firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring into the house of the LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

*(Exodus 23:19)*

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*(Exodus 34:26)*

*Joshua 15:14-19*

(14) And Caleb drove out from there the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the sons of Anak.
(15) And he went up from there to those who lived in Debir. And the name of Debir before was Kirjath-sepher.
(16) And Caleb said, he who smites Kirjath-sepher, and takes it, I will give my daughter Achsah to him for a wife.
(17) And Othniel the son of Kenaz, the brother of Caleb, took it. And gave him Achsah his daughter for a wife.

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(18) And it happened as she came, she moved him to ask a field from her father. And she dismounted from the ass. And Caleb said to her, What do you desire?
(19) She answered, Give me a blessing, for you have given me a south land. Give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs and the lower springs.

Judges 1:10-15
(10) And Judah went against the Canaanites who lived in Hebron (and the name of Hebron before was Kirjath-arba). And they killed Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai.
(11) And from there he went against those who lived in Debir. And the name of Debir before was Kirjath-sepher.
(12) And Caleb said, he who strikes Kirjath-sepher and takes it, I will give Achsah my daughter to him for a wife.
(13) And Othniel, the son of Caleb's younger brother Kenaz, took it. And he gave him Achsah his daughter for a wife.
(14) And it happened when she came, she moved him to ask for a field from her father. And she dismounted from the ass. And Caleb said to her, What do you desire?
(15) And she said to him, Give me a blessing. For you have given me a south land. Give me also springs of water. And Caleb gave her the upper springs and the lower springs.

2 Samuel 22:1-51
(1) And David spoke to the Lord the words of this song in the day the Lord God had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul.
(2) And he said, the Lord is my Rock, and my Fortress, and my Deliverer.
(3) The God Who is my Rock, in Him will I trust. He is my Shield, and the Horn of my salvation, my High Tower, and my Refuge, my Savior. You save me from violence.
(4) I will call upon the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised. And I shall be saved from my enemies.
(5) When the waves of death encircled me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.
(6) The sorrows of hell hemmed me in. The snares of death went in front of me.
(7) In my distress I called upon the Lord and cried to my God. And He heard my voice out of His temple, and my cry entered into His ears.
(8) And the earth shook and trembled. The foundations of the heavens moved and shook because He was angry.
(9) Smoke went up out of His nostrils, and fire out of His mouth devoured. Coals were kindled by it.
(10) He bowed the heavens also, and came down. And darkness was under His feet.
(11) And He rode upon a cherub and did fly. And He was seen upon the wings of the wind.
(12) And He made darkness coverings around Him, dark waters, thick clouds of the skies.
(13) From the brightness before Him were coals of fire kindled.
(14) The Lord God thundered from the heavens, and the Most High uttered His voice.
(15) And He sent out arrows, and scattered them; lightning, and troubled them.
(16) And the channels of the sea appeared, the foundations of the world were uncovered, at the rebuking of the Lord, at the blast of the breath of His nostrils.
(17) He sent from above, He took me. He drew me out of many waters.
(18) He delivered me from my strong enemy, from those who hated me; for they were stronger than I.
(19) They went before me in the day of my calamity, but God was my stay.
(20) He brought me forth also into a large place. He delivered me because He delighted in me.
(21) The Lord rewarded me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands He has rewarded me.
(22) For I have kept the ways of the Lord, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
(23) For all His judgments were before me. And as for His statutes, I did not depart from them.
(24) I was also upright before Him, and have kept myself from my iniquity.
(25) And the Lord rewarded me according to my righteousness, according to my cleanness in His eyes.
(26) With the faithful You will show Yourself faithful; with the upright man You will show Yourself upright.
(27) With the pure You will show Yourself pure; and with the perverted You will appear perverse.
(28) And You will save the afflicted people, but Your eyes are on the proud, whom You bring low.
(29) For You are my lamp, O Lord. And the Lord will lighten my darkness.
(30) For by You I have run through a troop. By my God I have leaped over a wall.
(31) As for God, His way is perfect. The Word of the Lord is tried. He is a shield to all those who seek refuge in Him.
(32) For Who is God, except the Lord? And Who is a Rock except our God?
(33) God is my strength and power, and He makes my way perfect.
(34) He makes my feet like hinds' feet, and causing me to stand on my high places.
(35) He teaches my hands to war, so that my hands may bend a bow of bronze.
(36) You have also given me the shield of Your salvation, and Your gentleness has made me great.
(37) You have enlarged my steps under me, so that my feet did not slip.
(38) I have pursued my enemies and destroyed them, and turned not again until I had finished them.
(39) And I have crushed them and wounded them so that they could not rise. Yea, they have fallen under my feet.
(40) For You have girded me with strength to battle. You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.
(41) You have also given me the necks of my enemies; I silenced those who hate me.
(42) They looked, but there was none to save; to the Lord, but He did not answer them.
(43) Then I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I stamped them like the mire of the streets and spread them out.
(44) You have also delivered me from the strivings of my people, You have kept me the head of the nations. A people I knew not shall serve me.
(45) Strangers shall submit themselves to me. As soon as they hear, they shall obey me.
(46) Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their strongholds.
(47) The Lord lives! And blessed be my Rock, and exalted be the God, the Rock of my salvation.

(48) It is God Who avenges me and Who brings down the peoples under me,

(49) and Who brings me forth from my enemies. You also lift me up on high above those rising up against me. You deliver me from the violent man.

(50) Therefore, I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the heathen, and I will sing praises to Your name.

(51) He is the Tower of salvation for His king, and He shows mercy to His anointed, to David and to his seed, forevermore.

Psalms 18:1-50

(1) To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David, the servant of the Lord, who spoke to the Lord the words of this song in the day that the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul; and he said: I love You, O Lord, my strength.

(2) The Lord is my strength, and my Fortress, and my Deliverer; my God, my Rock; I will trust in Him; He is my Shield, and the Horn of my salvation, my High Tower.

(3) I will call on the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies.

(4) The sorrows of death hemmed me in, and the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.

(5) The sorrows of hell surrounded me; the snares of death confronted me.

(6) In my distress I called on the Lord, and I cried to my God; He heard my voice out of His temple, and my cry came before Him, into His ears.

(7) Then the earth shook and trembled; and the foundations of the hills moved and were shaken, because He was angry.

(8) A smoke went up out of His nostrils, and fire devoured out of His mouth; coals were kindled by it.

(9) And He bowed the heavens and came down, and darkness was under His feet.

(10) And He rode on a cherub, and flew; yea, He soared on the wings of the wind.

(11) He made darkness His secret place, His pavilion around Him, darkness of waters, thick clouds of the skies.

(12) At the brightness before Him, His dark clouds passed through, hailstones and coals of fire passed.

(13) The Lord also thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave forth His voice; hailstones and coals of fire.

(14) Yea, He sent out His arrows and scattered them; and He shot out lightnings and crushed them.

(15) Then the channels of waters were seen, and the foundations of the world were uncovered, at Your rebuke, O Lord, at the blast of the breath of Your nostrils.

(16) He sent from above, He took me, He drew me out of many waters.

(17) He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from those who hated me; for they were too strong for me.

(18) They went before me in the day of my calamity; but the Lord was my stay.

(19) He brought me forth also into a large place; He delivered me because He delighted in me.

(20) The Lord rewarded me according to my righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands He has repaid me.
(21) For I have kept the ways of the Lord, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
(22) For all His judgments were before me, and I did not put away His Precepts from me.
(23) I was also upright before Him, and I kept myself from my iniquity.
(24) And the Lord has returned to me according to my righteousness, according to the
  cleanliness of my hands in His eyes.
(25) With the merciful, You will show Yourself merciful; with an upright man You will show
  Yourself upright;
(26) with the pure You will show Yourself pure; and with the crooked You will show Yourself
  perverse.
(27) For You will save the afflicted people, but will bring down high looks.
(28) For You will light my candle; The Lord my God will make my darkness light.
(29) For by You I have run through a troop; and by my God I have leaped over a wall.
(30) As for God, His way is perfect; the Word of the Lord is tried; He is a Shield to all those
  who trust in Him.
(31) For Who is God besides the Lord? Or, Who is a Rock except our God?
(32) It is God Who girds me with strength and makes my way perfect.
(33) He makes my feet like hinds' feet, and sets me on my high places.
(34) He teaches my hands to war, so that a bow of bronze is bent by my arms.
(35) You have also given me the Shield of Your salvation; and Your right hand has held me
  up, and Your gentleness has made me great.
(36) You have given a wide place for my steps under me, so that my feet have not slipped.
(37) I have pursued my enemies and overtaken them; nor did I turn again until they were
  destroyed.
(38) I have shattered them, and they cannot rise again; they have fallen under my feet.
(39) For You have girded me with strength for the battle; You have humbled under me those
  who rose up against me.
(40) You have also given me the neck of my enemies; so that I might destroy those who hate
  me.
(41) They cried, but there was none to save; even to the Lord, but He did not answer them.
(42) Then I beat them small as the dust before the wind; I cast them out like the dirt in the
  streets.
(43) You have delivered me from the strivings of the people; You have made me the head of
  the nations; a people whom I have not known shall serve me.
(44) As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me; the sons of strangers shall bow down
  to me.
(45) The sons of strangers shall fade away and be afraid out of their strongholds.
(46) The Lord lives; and blessed be my Rock, and let the God of my salvation be praised.
(47) It is God Who avenges me, and humbles the people under me.
(48) He delivers me from my enemies; yea, You lift me up above those who rise up against
  me; You have delivered me from the violent man.
(49) Therefore I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the nations, and sing praises to Your
  name,
(50) magnifying the salvations to His king, and working mercy to His anointed, to David, and
  to his seed forevermore.
2 Samuel 23:8-39

(8) These are the names of the mighty men whom David had: Josheb-basshebeth the Tachmonite, chief of the three; he was called Adino the Eznlite, because of the eight hundred he killed at one time.
(9) And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, one of the three mighty men with David when they defied the Philistines who were gathered there to battle; and the men of Israel had gone up;
(10) he arose and struck the Philistines until his hand was weary, and until his hand clung to the sword. And the Lord worked a great victory that day. And the people returned after him only to spoil.
(11) And next was Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where there was a piece of ground full of lentils. And the people fled from the Philistines.
(12) But he stood in the middle of the ground and delivered it, and killed the Philistines. And the Lord worked a great victory.
(13) And three of the thirty chief men went down and came to David in the harvest time into the cave of Adullam. And the troop of the Philistines pitched in the Valley of the Giants.
(14) And David was then in a stronghold, and the fort of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem.
(15) And David longed and said, Oh that someone would give me a drink from the water of the well of Bethlehem by the gate!
(16) And the three mighty men broke through the army of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David. But he would not drink of it, but poured it out to the Lord.
(17) And he said, Be it far from me, O Lord, that I should do this. Is it not the blood of the men who went in danger of their lives? And he would not drink it. These three mighty men did these things.
(18) And Abishai the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah, was chief among three. And he lifted up his spear against three hundred and killed them, and had the name among three.
(19) Surely he was honored more than the three. And he was their commander. However he did not attain to the first three.
(20) And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada from Kabzeel, a son of a mighty man, great in deeds. He killed two lion-like men of Moab. He went down also and killed a lion in the middle of a pit in time of snow.
(21) And he killed an Egyptian, a man of form. And the Egyptian had a spear in his hand, but he went down to him with a staff and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and killed him with his own spear.
(22) These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among three mighty ones.
(23) He was more honorable than the thirty, but he did not attain to the first three. And David set him over his guard.
(24) Asahel the brother of Joab was of the thirty; Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem;
(25) Shammah the Harodite; Elisha the Harodite;
(26) Helez the Paltite; Ira the son of Ikkesh, the Tekoite;
(27) Abiezer the Anathothite; Mebunnai the Hushathite;
(28) Zalmon the Ahohite; Maharai the Netophathite;
(29) Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite; Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah, of the sons of Benjamin;
(30) Benaiah the Pirathonite; Hiddai of the brooks of Gaash;
(31) Abialbon the Arbahite; Azmaveth the Barhumite;
(32) Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen; Jonathan;
(33) Shammah the Hararite; Ahiam the son of Sharer, the Hararite;
(34) Eliphelet the son of Ahasbai, the son of the Maachathite; Eliam the son of Ahithophel, the Gilonite;
(35) Hezrai the Carmelite; Paarai the Arbite;
(36) Igal the son of Nathan of Zobah; Bani the Gadite;
(37) Zelek the Ammonite; Naharai the Beerothite, armor-bearer to Joab the son of Zeruiah;
(38) Ira, and Ithrite; Gareb, and Ithrite;
(39) Uriah the Hittite; thirty-seven in all.

1 Chronicles 11:11-47

(11) And this is the number of the mighty men whom David had: Jashobeam, a Hachmonite, the chief of the captains. He lifted up his spear against three hundred, who were killed by him at one time.
(12) And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo, the Ahohite, he was one of the three mighty ones.
(13) He was with David at Pas-dammim. And there the Philistines were gathered together to battle and a portion of the field was full of barley. And the people fled from before the Philistines.
(14) And they set themselves in the midst of that place, and delivered it, and killed the Philistines. And the Lord saved them by a great deliverance.
(15) And three of the mighty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam. And the Philistine army camped in the Valley of the Giants.
(16) And David was then in the stronghold, and the Philistines garrison was then at Bethlehem.
(17) And David longed and said, Oh that someone would give me drink from the water of the well of Bethlehem, which was by the gate!
(18) And the three broke through the Philistine army and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David. But David would not drink it, but poured it out to the Lord.
(19) And he said, May my God forbid me to do this thing. Shall I drink the blood of these men who have put their lives in danger? For they brought it with their lives. And he was not willing to drink it. These three mighty ones did these things.
(20) And Abishai the brother of Joab was chief of the three. For lifting up his spear against three hundred, he killed them, and had a name among the three.
(21) Of the three, he was more honorable than the two for he was their captain. However, he did not attain the first three.
(22) Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, the son of a mighty man of Kabzeel, had done many acts. He killed two lion-like men of Moab. He also went down and killed a lion in a pit on a snowy day.
(23) And he killed an Egyptian, a man of stature, five cubits high. And in the Egyptian's hand was a spear like a weaver's beam. And he went down to him with a staff and wrenched the spear out of the Egyptians hand, and killed him with his own spear.
(24) These things Benaiah the son of Jehoiada did, and had the name among the three mighty ones.
(25) Behold, he was honorable among the thirty, but did not attain the first three. And David set him over his court.
(26) And the mighty ones of the army: Asahel the brother of Joab, Elhanan the son of Dodo of Bethlehem,
(27) Shammoth the Hororite, Helez the Pelonite,
(28) Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekeite, Ahiezer the Anathothite,
(29) Sibbecai the Hushathite, Illai the Ahohite,
(30) Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite,
(31) Ithai a son of Ribai of Gibeah of the sons of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite,
(32) Hurai of the brooks of Gaash, Abiel the Arbathite,
(33) Azmaveth the Baharumite, Eliaha the Shaalbonite,
(34) the sons of Hashem the Gizonite, Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite,
(35) Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur,
(36) Hepher the Mecherathite, Ahijah the Pelonite,
(37) Hezro of Carmel, Naarai the son of Ezbai,
(38) Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Haggeri,
(39) Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armor-bearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah,
(40) Ira the Ithrite, Gareb the Ithrite,
(41) Uriah the Hittite, Zabad the son of Ahlai,
(42) Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him,
(43) Hanan the son of Maachah, and Josaphat the Mithnite,
(44) Uzza the Ashterathite, Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Aroerite,
(45) Jediasel the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite,
(46) Elieel the Mahavite, and Jeribai, and Joshaviah, sons of Elnaam, and Ithmah the Moabite,
(47) Elieel, and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

1 Kings 3:5-13
(5) In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night. And God said, Ask what I shall give you!
(6) And Solomon said, You have shown to Your servant David my father great mercy, according as he walked before You in truth and in righteousness and in uprightness of heart with You. And You have kept this great kindness for him, that You have given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is today.

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(7) And now, O LORD my God, You have made Your servant king instead of David my father. 
And I am a little child; I do not know to go out or come in!
(8) And Your servant is in the midst of Your people whom You have chosen, a numerous 
people who cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.
(9) And give to Your servant an understanding heart, to judge Your people, to discern 
between good and bad. For who is able to judge this, Your great people?
(10) And the word was good in the eyes of the LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing.
(11) And God said to him, Because you have asked this thing, and have not asked for 
yourself long life, and have not asked riches for yourself, nor have asked the life of your 
enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to judge justly,
(12) behold, I have done according to your words. Lo, I have given you a wise and an 
understanding heart, so that there was none like you before you, and after you none shall 
arise like you.
(13) And I also have given you that which you have not asked, both riches and honor, so that 
there shall not be any among the kings like you all your days.

2 Chronicles 1:7-12
(7) In that night God appeared to Solomon and said to him, Ask what I shall give you.
(8) And Solomon said to God, You have shown great mercy to David my father, and have 
made me to reign in his stead.
(9) Now, O LORD God, Your promise to David my father has been fulfilled. For You have 
made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.
(10) Give me now wisdom and knowledge that I may go out and come in before this people. 
For who can judge this Your great people?
(11) And God said to Solomon, Because this was in your heart, and you have not asked 
riches, wealth, nor honor, nor the life of your enemies, nor yet have asked for long life but 
have asked wisdom and knowledge for yourself that you may judge My people, over whom I 
have made you king;
(12) wisdom and knowledge is granted to you. And I will give you riches and wealth and 
honor, such as none of the kings have had that have been before you, nor shall any after 
you have the like.

1 Kings 10:1-28
(1) And the Queen of Sheba heard of Solomon's fame concerning the name of the Lord, and 
she came to test him with hard questions.
(2) And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bore spices, and 
very much gold, and precious stones. And she came to Solomon, and she told him all that 
was in her heart.
(3) And Solomon answered all her questions for her. There was not a thing hidden from the 
king, which he did not tell her.
(4) And when the Queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house which he 
had built,
(5) and the food of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their clothing, and his cupbearers, and his burnt offering that he offered up to the house of the Lord, there was no more spirit in her.

(6) And she said to the king, it was a true report which I heard in my own land of your acts and of your wisdom.

(7) And I did not believe the words until I came and my eyes had seen. And behold! The half was not told me. Your wisdom and blessings are more than the fame which I heard.

(8) Happy are your men, happy are these who are your servants, who stand always before you, and who hear your wisdom.

(9) Blessed is the Lord your God, Who delighted in you, to set you on the throne of Israel. Because the Lord loved Israel forever; therefore, He made you king to do judgment and justice.

(10) And she gave the king a hundred and twenty talents of gold, a very great store of spices, and precious stones. No spice like that came any more for abundance, that the Queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon.

(11) And also the navy of Hiram which brought gold from Ophir, brought in from Ophir great abundance of almag trees and precious stones.

(12) And the king made of the almag trees a support for the house of the Lord, and for the king's house, also lyres and harps for singers. No such almag wood has come or been seen to this day.

(13) And King Solomon gave to the Queen of Sheba all her desire, whatever she asked, besides what Solomon gave her of his royal bounty. So she turned and went to her own country, she and her servants.

(14) And the weight of gold which came to Solomon in one year was six hundred sixty-six talents of gold,

(15) apart from the merchant men, and from the traffic of the traders, and from all the kings of Arabia, and from the governors of the lands.

(16) And King Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold; six hundred shekels of gold went into one target.

(17) And he made three hundred shields of beaten gold; three minas of gold went into one shield. And the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

(18) And the king made a great throne of ivory, and overlaid it with the best gold.

(19) The throne had six steps, and the top of the throne was round in the back part. And there were stays on either side on the place of the seat, and two lions stood beside the stays;

(20) and two lions were standing on the six steps, on this and on that side. There was not the like made in any kingdom.

(21) And all King Solomon's drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold. None were of silver; it was counted nothing in the days of Solomon.

(22) For the king had at sea a navy of Tarshish with the navy of Hiram. Once in three years the navy of Tarshish came bringing gold and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks.

(23) And King Solomon was greater than all the kings of the earth in riches and in wisdom.

(24) And all the earth sought Solomon, to hear his wisdom which God had put in his heart.
(25) And every man brought his presents, vessels of silver and vessels of gold, and clothing and armor, and spices, horses and mules, so much year by year.
(26) And Solomon gathered chariots and horsemen. And he had fourteen hundred chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he stationed in the cities for chariots, and with the king at Jerusalem.
(27) And the king made silver like stones in Jerusalem, and he made cedars like the sycamore trees in the valley for abundance.
(28) And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and out of Kue. The king's merchants received them from Kue at a price.

2 Chronicles 9:1-31
(1) And the Queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, and came to test Solomon with hard questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that carried spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones. And she came in to Solomon and spoke with him of all that was in her heart.
(2) And Solomon told her all her questions. And there was nothing hidden from Solomon which he did not tell her.
(3) And the Queen of Sheba saw the wisdom of Solomon, and the house that he had built,
(4) and the food of his table, and the sitting of his servants, the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers and their apparel, and his burnt offerings that he offered up in the house of the Lord, there was no more spirit in her.
(5) And she said to the king, the word that I heard in my own land of your acts and of your wisdom is true.
(6) But I did not believe their words until I came, and my eyes had seen. And behold, the one half of the greatness of your wisdom was not told me. You are greater than the fame which I heard.
(7) Happy are your men, and happy are these your servants who stand always before you and hear your wisdom.
(8) Blessed be the Lord your God, Who delighted in you to set you on His throne to be king for the Lord your God. Because your God loved Israel to establish them forever, therefore He made you king over them to do judgment and justice.
(9) And she gave the king a hundred and twenty talents of gold, and an abundance of spices, and precious stones. And there has not been any such spice as the Queen of Sheba gave King Solomon.
(10) And also the servants of Hiram, and the servants of Solomon who brought gold from Ophir, brought algum trees and precious stones.
(11) And the king made terraces to the house of the Lord with the algum trees, and terraces to the king's palace, and lyres and harps for singers. And there were none such seen before in the land of Judah.
(12) And King Solomon gave to the Queen of Sheba all her desire, whatever she asked, besides what she had brought to the king. And she returned and went away to her own land, she and her servants.
(13) And the weight of gold that came to Solomon in one year was six hundred and sixty-six talents of gold,
(14) besides that from the traders, and that the merchants brought. And all the Kings of Arabia and governors of the country brought gold and silver to Solomon. 
(15) And King Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold. Six hundred shekels of gold went to one target. 
(16) And he made three hundred shields of beaten gold. Three hundred shekels of gold went to one shield. And the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon. 
(17) And the king made a great throne of ivory and overlaid it with pure gold. 
(18) And there were six steps to the throne, with a footstool of gold, fastened to the throne. And there were stays on each side of the sitting place, and two lions standing by the stays. 
(19) And twelve lions stood there on the one side, and on the other, on the six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdom. 
(20) And all the drinking vessels of King Solomon were of gold, and all the vessels of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold. None were of silver. It was not prized in the days of Solomon. 
(21) For the king's ships went to Tarshish with the servants of Hiram. Once every three years the ships of Tarshish came bringing gold and silver, ivory, and apes, and peacocks. 
(22) And King Solomon was greater than all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom. 
(23) And all the kings of the earth sought the presence of Solomon, to hear his wisdom that God had put in his heart. 
(24) And they each brought his present, vessels of silver and vessels of gold, and clothing, weapons, and spices, horses, and mules, a ration year by year. 
(25) And Solomon had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen, whom he put in the chariot cities and with the king at Jerusalem. 
(26) And he reigned over all the kings from the River even to the land of the Philistines, and to the border of Egypt. 
(27) And the king made silver in Jerusalem like stones, and he made cedar trees as the sycamore trees in the low plains. 
(28) And they brought to Solomon horses out of Egypt and out of all lands. 

2 Kings 18:13-20:11
(13) And in the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib king of Assyria came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and took them. 
(14) And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of Assyria to Lachish, saying, I have offended; turn back from me. Whatever you put on me I will bear. And the king of Assyria appointed to Hezekiah king of Judah three hundred talents of silver, and thirty talents of gold. 
(15) And Hezekiah gave him all the silver which was found in the house of the Lord and in the treasures of the king's house. 
(16) At that time Hezekiah cut off the gold from the doors of the temple of he Lord, and from the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid. And he gave them to the king of Assyria. 
(17) And the king of Assyria sent Tartan, and the chief of the eunuchs, and the chief of the cupbearers from Lachish, to King Hezekiah with a great army against Jerusalem. And they
went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they had come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the upper pool, which is in the highway of the Fuller's Field.

(18) And they called to the king. And Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the house, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, went out to them.

(19) And the chief of the cupbearers said to them, Speak now to Hezekiah, So says the great king, the king of Assyria, What hope is this in which you trust?
(20) Do you say that a mere word of the lips is wisdom and strength for the war? Now on whom do you trust that you rebel against me?

(21) Now, behold, you trust on the staff of this bruised reed, on Egypt, on which if a man leans, it will go into his hand and pierce it. So is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all who trust on him.

(22) But if you say to me, we trust in the Lord our God, is He not the one whose high places and whose altars Hezekiah has taken away, and has said to Judah and Jerusalem, You shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem?

(23) And now, please give pledges to my lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliver two thousand horses to you if you are able to set riders on them.

(24) And how will you turn away the face of one commander of the least of my master’s servants, and put your trust in Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

(25) Have I now come up against this place to destroy it without the Lord? The Lord said to me, Go up against this land and destroy it.

(26) Then Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah said to the chief of the cupbearers, Please speak to your servants in Aramaic, for we understand. And do not talk with us in Jewish, in the ears of the people who are on the wall.

(27) And the chief of the cupbearers said to them, Has my master sent me to your master and to you, to speak these words, and not to the men who sit on the wall, to eat their own dung and drink their own urine with you?

(28) And the chief of the cupbearers stood and cried with a loud voice in Jewish, and spoke, saying, Hear the word of the great king, the king of Assyria:

(29) so says the king, Do not let Hezekiah deceive you. For he shall not be able to deliver you out of his hand.

(30) And do not let Hezekiah make you trust in the Lord, saying, the Lord will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hands of the king of Assyria.

(31) Do not listen to Hezekiah. For so says the king of Assyria, Make with me a blessing, and come out to me, and you each shall eat of his vine, and each of his fig tree, and you each shall drink of the waters of his own cistern,

(32) until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of grain and new wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of olive oil and honey, and live, and not die. And do not listen to Hezekiah when he deceives you, saying, the Lord will deliver us.

(33) Has any of the gods of the nations at all delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

(34) Where are the gods of Hamath and of Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah? Have they delivered Samaria out of my hand?

(35) Who among all the gods of the lands have delivered their land out of my hand, that the Lord should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?
(36) But the people kept silent and did not answer him a word. For the king's command was, saying, Do not answer him.

(37) And Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph the recorder, came to Hezekiah with their clothes torn. And they told him the words of the chief of the cupbearers.

(1) And it happened when King Hezekiah heard, he tore his clothes and covered himself with sackcloth. And he went into the house of the Lord.

(2) And he sent Eliakim who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests, covered with sackcloth, to Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz.

(3) And they said to him, So says Hezekiah, This is a day of trouble and of rebuke and contempt. For the sons have come to the birth, and there is no strength to bring forth.

(4) It may be the Lord your God will hear all the words of the chief cupbearer with which his master the king of Assyria has sent to reproach the living God, and will rebuke the words which the Lord your God has heard. And you shall lift up prayer for the rest who are left.

(5) And the servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

(6) And Isaiah said to them, You shall say to your master, So says the Lord, Do not be afraid of the words which you have heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed Me.

(7) Behold, I will send a blast on him, and he shall hear a rumor and shall return to his own land. And I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.

(8) And the chief cupbearer returned and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah, for he had heard that he had departed from Lachish.

(9) And when he heard it said of Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, Behold, he has come out to fight against you, he sent messengers again to Hezekiah, saying,

(10) So you shall speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Do not let your god in whom you trust deceive you, saying, Jerusalem shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

(11) Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by completely destroying them. And shall you be delivered?

(12) Have the gods of the nations delivered them, nations which my fathers have destroyed, Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the sons of Eden in Telassar?

(13) Where is the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of Hena, and of Ivah?

(14) And Hezekiah received the letters from the hand of the messengers, and read it. And Hezekiah went up into the house of the Lord, and spread it before the Lord.

(15) And Hezekiah prayed before the Lord and said, O Lord, the God of Israel, Who dwells between the cherubs, You are God Himself, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made the heavens and the earth.

(16) Lord, bow down Your ear and hear. O Lord, open Your eyes and see, and hear the words of Sennacherib, who has sent him to taunt the living God.

(17) Truly, the Lord, the kings of Assyria have destroyed the nations and their lands,

(18) and have thrown their gods into the fire; for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone, and they have destroyed them.

(19) And now, O, Lord our God, I beseech You, save us out of his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that You are the Lord our God, and You only.
(20) And Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, So says the Lord, the God of
(1) In those days Hezekiah was sick to death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came
to him and said to him, So says the Lord, Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live.
(2) And he turned his face to the wall and prayed to the Lord, saying, O Lord,
(3) I pray, O Lord, remember now how I have walked before You in truth and with a sincere
heart, and have done good in Your sight. And Hezekiah wept with a great weeping.
(4) And it happened, Isaiah had gone out into the middle of the court, the Word of the Lord
came to him saying,
(5) Return again and tell Hezekiah the leader of My people, So says the Lord, the God of
David your father, I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears. Behold, I will heal you.
On the third day you shall go up to the house of the Lord.
(6) And I will add fifteen years to your days. And I will deliver you and this city out of the
hand of the king of Assyria. And I will defend this city for My own sake, and for My servant
David's sake.
(7) And Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid it on the boil, and he
recovered.
(8) And Hezekiah said to Isaiah, What shall be the sign that the Lord will heal me, and that I
shall go up into the house of the Lord the third day?
(9) And Isaiah said, This will be the sign from the Lord, that He will do the thing which He
has spoken. Shall the shadow go forward ten steps, or go back ten steps?
(10) And Hezekiah answered, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten steps. No, but
let the shadow go backward ten steps.
(11) And Isaiah the prophet cried to the Lord. And He brought the shadow ten steps
backward, by which it had gone down on the sundial of Ahaz.

Isaiah 36:1-38:8

(1) And it happened in the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, Sennacherib king of Assyria
came up against all the fortified cities of Judah and took them.
(2) And the king of Assyria sent the chief of the cupbearers from Lachish to Jerusalem, to
King Hezekiah with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool in the
highway of the Fuller's Field.
(3) Then Eliakim, Hilkiah's son, who was over the house, and Shebna the scribe, and Asaph's
son Joah, the recorder, came out to him.
(4) And the chief of the cupbearers said to them, Say now to Hezekiah, So says the great
king, the king of Assyria, What hope is this in which you trust?
(5) I say, Are only words of the lips wisdom and strength for war? Now, in whom do you
trust, that you rebel against me?
(6) Lo, you trust in the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; on which, if a man lean on it, it
will go into his hand and pierce it. So is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all who trust in him.
(7) But if you say to me, We trust in the Lord our God; is it not he whose high places and
altars Hezekiah has taken away, and said to Judah and Jerusalem, You shall worship before
this altar?
(8) Now then, please exchange pledges with my master the king of Assyria, and I will give
you two thousand horses if you are able on your part to set riders on them for you.
(9) How then will you turn away the face of one commander of the least of my master's servants, and put your trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen?

(10) Have I now come up without the Lord against this land to destroy it? The Lord said to me, Go up against this land and destroy it.

(11) And Eliakim and Shebna and Joah said to the chief of the cupbearers, Please speak to your servants in Aramaic, for we understand it. But do not speak to us in Jewish in the ears of the people on the wall.

(12) But the chief of the cupbearers said, Has my master sent me to your master and to you to speak these words, and not to the men who sit on the wall, that they may eat their own dung and drink their own urine with you?

(13) Then the chief of the cupbearers stood and cried with a loud voice in Jewish, and said, Hear the words of the great king, the king of Assyria.

(14) So says the king, Do not let Hezekiah deceive you, for he shall not be able to deliver you.

(15) Nor let Hezekiah make you trust in the Lord, saying, the Lord will surely deliver us; this city shall not be delivered into the hands of the king of Assyria.

(16) Do not listen to Hezekiah; for so says the king of Assyria, Make a blessing with me by a present, and come out to me; and let everyone eat of his vine, and everyone of his fig tree, and everyone drink the waters of his own cistern,

(17) until I come and take you away to a land like your own land, a land of grain and wine, a land of bread and vineyards.

(18) Let not Hezekiah persuade you, saying, the Lord will deliver us. Has any of the gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?

(19) Where are the gods of Hamath and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim? And when have they delivered Samaria out of my hand?

(20) Who among all the gods of these lands have delivered their land out of my hand, that the Lord should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?

(21) But they were silent and did not answer him a word, for the king's command, saying, Do not answer him.

(22) Then Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah the son of Asaph, the recorder, came to Hezekiah with their clothes torn and told him the words of the chief of the cupbearers.

(1) And it happened when King Hezekiah heard, he tore his clothes and covered himself with sackcloth, and went into the house of the Lord.

(2) And he sent Eliakim, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests covered with sackcloth, to Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz.

(3) And they said to him, So says Hezekiah, This day is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of blasphemy! For the sons have come to the birth, and no strength to bring forth.

(4) It may be the Lord your God will hear the words of the chief of the cupbearers, whom his master the king of Assyria has sent to reproach the living God, and will reprove the words which the Lord your God has heard. And you shall lift up your prayer for the remnant that is left.

(5) So the servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah.
(6) And Isaiah said to them, So you shall say to your master, So says the Lord, Do not be afraid of the words which you have heard, with which the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed Me.
(7) Behold, I will send a blast on him, and he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land. And I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.
(8) So the chief of the cupbearers returned, and found the king of Assyria warring against Libnah. For he had heard that he had departed from Lachish.
(9) And he heard concerning Tirhakah king of Ethiopia, He has come out to war with you. And he heard and sent messengers to Hezekiah, saying,
(10) So you shall say to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying, Do not let your God, in whom you trust, deceive you, saying, Jerusalem shall not be given into the hand of the king of Assyria. And shall you be delivered?
(11) Behold, you have heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by completely destroying them. And shall you be delivered?
(12) Have the gods of the nations delivered those whom my fathers have destroyed: Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the sons of Eden who were in Telassar?
(13) Where is the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?
(14) And Hezekiah received the letter from the courier's hand, and read it. And Hezekiah went up into the house of the Lord and spread it before the Lord.
(15) And Hezekiah prayed to the Lord, saying,
(16) O Lord of Hosts, God of Israel, Who dwells between the cherubs, You are He, God, You alone to all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made the heavens and the earth.
(17) Bow down Your ear, O Lord, and hear; open Your eyes, O Lord, and see; and hear all the words of Sennacherib which he has sent to mock the living God.
(18) Truly, O Lord, the kings of Assyria have laid waste all the nations and their land,
(19) and have cast their gods into the fire, for they were no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone; so they have destroyed them.
(20) And now, O Lord our God, save us from his hand, so that all the kingdoms of the earth may know that You are the Lord, You alone.
(21) And Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah, saying, So says the Lord, the God of Israel, Because you have prayed to Me against Sennacherib king of Assyria,
(22) this is the word which the Lord has spoken concerning him: The virgin, the daughter of Zion, has despised you and laughed you to scorn; the daughter of Jerusalem has shaken her head behind you.
(23) Whom have you mocked and blasphemed? And against Whom have you raised your voice and lifted up your eyes on high? Even against the Holy One of Israel.
(24) By your servants you have mocked The Lord and have said, by my many chariots I have come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down the tall cedars of it, and its choice fir trees; and I will go to its greatest height, the forest of its Carmel.
(25) I have dug and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet I have dried up all the streams of Egypt.
(26) Have you not heard from afar? I made it from days of old, even I have formed it. Now I have caused it to come, and you are to cause fortified cities to crash into heaps, ruins.
(27) And their inhabitants were short of hand; dismayed and ashamed. They were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the grass on the housetops, even grain blasted before it has risen.
(28) But I know your sitting down, and your going out, and your coming in, and your rage against Me.
(29) Because of your raging against Me, and your arrogance has come up into My ears, therefore I will put My hook in your nose, and My bridle in your lips, and I will turn you back by the way which you came.
(30) And this shall be a sign to you: You shall eat self-sown grain this year; and the second year that which springs of the same; and in the third year you shall sow, and reap, and plant vineyards and eat the fruit of them.
(31) The remnant that has escaped of the house of Judah shall again take root downward and bear fruit upward;
(32) for out of Jerusalem shall go out a remnant, and those who escape out of Mount Zion; the zeal of The Lord of Hosts shall do this.
(33) So The Lord says this to the king of Assyria, he shall not come into this city nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a bank against it.
(34) By the way that he came, by the same he shall return, and shall not come into this city, says the Lord.
(35) For I will defend this city to save it, for My own sake and for My servant David's sake.
(36) Then the angel of the Lord went out and struck a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the camp of Assyria. And they rose early in the morning, and behold! They were all dead corpses.
(37) And Sennacherib king of Assyria departed, and went and returned, and lived at Nineveh.
(38) And it happened as he was worshiping in the house of Nisroch his god, Adrammelech and Sharezer his sons struck him with the sword. And they escaped into the land of Ararat; and Esar-haddon his son reigned in his place.
(1) In those days Hezekiah was sick to death. And Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, came to him and said to him, So says the Lord, Set your house in order, for you shall die and not live.
(2) Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed to the Lord,
(3) and said, Remember now, O Lord, I beseech You, how I have walked before You in truth and with a whole heart, and have done the good in Your sight. And Hezekiah wept with a great weeping.
(4) Then came the Word of the Lord to Isaiah, saying,
(5) Go and say to Hezekiah: So says the Lord, the God of David your father, I have heard your prayer, I have seen your tears; behold, I will add to your days fifteen years.
(6) And I will deliver you and this city out of the hand of the king of Assyria. And I will defend this city.
(7) And this shall be a sign to you from the Lord that He will do this thing that He has spoken:
(8) behold, I will bring again the shadow of the steps, which has gone down in the sun dial of Ahaz, ten steps backward. So the sun returned ten steps, by which steps it had gone down.

2 Kings 25:27-30
(27) And it happened in the thirty-seventh year of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, on the twenty-seventh of the month, Evil-merodach king of Babylon, in the year that he began to reign, lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison.
(28) And he spoke kindly to him and set his throne above the throne of the kings who were with him in Babylon.
(29) And he changed his prison clothes. And he always ate bread before him all the days of his life.
(30) And his allowance was a regular allowance given him from the king, a daily ration for every day, all the days of his life.

Jeremiah 52:31-34
(31) And it happened in the thirty-seventh year of the exile of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the twenty-fifth of the month, Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the first year of his reign lifted up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah, and brought him out from prison,
(32) and spoke kindly to him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings who were with him in Babylon.
(33) And he changed his prison garments, and he ate bread before him all the days of his life.
(34) And his allowance in continual allowance was given him from the king of Babylon, the matter of a day in its day, until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

1 Chronicles 8:29-38
(29) And at Gibeon lived the father of Gibeon, whose wife's name was Maachah.
(30) And his first-born son was Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,
(31) and Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.
(32) And Mikloth fathered Shimeah. And these also lived with their brothers in Jerusalem, across from them.
(33) And Ner fathered Kish, and Kish fathered Saul. And Saul fathered Jonathan, and Malchishua and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.
(34) And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal. And Meribbaal fathered Micah.
(35) And the sons of Micah: Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.
(36) And Ahaz fathered Jehoadah. And Jehoadah fathered Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri. And Zimri fathered Moza.
(37) And Moza fathered Binea; Rapha was his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son.
(38) And Azel had six sons, and these their names: Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these were the sons of Azel.

**1 Chronicles 9:35-44**

(35) And Jehiel, the father of Gibeon, lived in Gibeon. His wife's name was Maachah.
(36) And his first-born son was Abdon, then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab,
(37) and Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.
(38) And Mikloth fathered Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brothers at Jerusalem, across from their brothers.
(39) And Ner fathered Kish. And Kish fathered Saul. And Saul fathered Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.
(40) And the son of Jonathan was Meribbaal. And Meribbaal fathered Micah.
(41) And the sons of Micah: Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, and Ahaz;
(42) and Ahaz fathered Jarah. And Jarah fathered Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri. And Zimri fathered Moza.
(43) And Moza fathered Binea; and Rephaiah was his son; Eleasah, his son; Azel his son.
(44) And to Azel were six sons, and these their names: Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. These were the sons of Azel.

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**1 Chronicles 16:8-22**

(8) Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name, make known His deeds among the people.
(9) Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him, talk of all His wondrous works.
(10) Glory in His holy name, let the heart of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
(11) Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His face evermore.
(12) Remember His marvelous works which He had done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth,
(13) O seed of Israel His servant, sons of Jacob, His chosen ones.
(14) He is the Lord our God. His judgments are in all the earth.
(15) Be always mindful of His covenant, the Word He commanded to a thousand generations,
(16) which He made with Abraham, and of His oath to Isaac.
(17) And He has confirmed the saying to Jacob for a Law, to Israel for an everlasting covenant,
(18) saying, To you will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance,
(19) when you were but few, even a few, and strangers in it,
(20) and they went from nation to nation, and from one kingdom to another people,
(21) He did not allow any man to do them wrong. Yea, He reproved kings for their sakes,
(22) saying, Touch not My anointed, and do My prophets no harm.

**Psalms 105:1-15**

(1) O give thanks to the Lord; call on His name; make known His deeds among the people.
(2) Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; talk of all His wonderful works.
(3) Glory in His holy name; let the heart of those who seek the Lord rejoice.
(4) Seek the Lord and His strength; seek His face evermore.
(5) Remember His marvelous works which He has done, His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth,
(6) seed of His servant Abraham, sons of Jacob His chosen.
(7) He is the Lord our God; His judgments are in all the earth.
(8) He has remembered His covenant forever, the Word which He commanded to a thousand generations;
(9) the covenant which He made with Abraham, and His oath to Isaac;
(10) and He confirmed it to Jacob for a Law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant,
(11) saying, To you I will give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance;
(12) when they were a few men in number; yea, very few, and strangers in it.
(13) When they went from one nation to another, from a kingdom to another people,
(14) He allowed no man to do them wrong; yea, He reproved kings for their sakes,
(15) saying, Touch not My anointed, and do My prophets no harm.

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, so that the Word of the Lord in the mouth of Jeremiah might be done, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also in writing, saying, So says Cyrus king of Persia, All the kingdoms of the earth have been given to me by the Lord God. And He has commanded me to build Him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Who is among you of all His people? May the Lord his God be with him, and let him go up.

**2 Chronicles 36:22-23**

And in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, so that the Word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also in writing, saying, So says Cyrus king of Persia, the Lord, the God of Heaven has given me all the kingdoms of the earth. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Who is among you of all His people? Let his God be with him, and let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of the Lord, the God of Israel (He is God) which is in Jerusalem.

**Ezra 1:1-3 MKJV**

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**Ezra 2:1-70**

(1) And these are the sons of the province who went up out of the captivity, of those who had been exiled, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had exiled to Babylon. And these came again to Jerusalem and Judah, each one to his city.
(2) These are the ones who came with Zerubbabel: Jeshua, Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispar, Bigvai, Rehum, Baanah. This is the number of the men of the people of the sons of Israel:
(3) The sons of Parosh, two thousand one hundred and seventy-two.
(4) The sons of Shephatiah, three hundred and seventy-two.
(5) The sons of Arah, seven hundred and forty-five.
(6) The sons of Pahath-moab, of the sons of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand eight hundred and twelve.
(7) The sons of Elam, a thousand two hundred and fifty-four.
(8) The sons of Zattu, nine hundred and forty-five.
(9) The sons of Zaccur, seven hundred and sixty.
(10) The sons of Bani, six hundred and forty-two.
(11) The sons of Bebai, six hundred and twenty-three.
(12) The sons of Azgad, a thousand two hundred and twenty-two.
(13) The sons of Adonikam, six hundred and sixty-six.
(14) The sons of Bigvai, two thousand and fifty-six.
(15) The sons of Adin, four hundred and fifty-four.
(16) The sons of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety-eight.
(17) The sons of Bezai, three hundred and twenty-three.
(18) The sons of Jorah, a hundred and twelve.
(19) The sons of Hashum, two hundred and twenty-three.
(20) The sons of Gibbar, ninety-five.
(21) The sons of Bethel, a hundred and twenty-three.
(22) The men of Netophah, fifty-six.
(23) The men of Anathoth, a hundred and twenty-eight.
(24) The sons of Azmaveth, forty-two.
(25) The sons of Kerioth-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth seven hundred and forty-three.
(26) The sons of Ramah and Geba, six hundred and twenty-one.
(27) The men of Michmas, a hundred and twenty-two.
(28) The men of Bethel and Ai, two hundred and twenty-three.
(29) The men of Nebo, fifty-six.
(30) The men of Magbish, a hundred and fifty-six.
(31) The sons of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred and fifty-four.
(32) The sons of Harim, three hundred and twenty.
(33) The sons of Lod, Hadid and Ono, seven hundred and twenty-five.
(34) The sons of Jericho, three hundred and forty-five.
(35) The sons of Senaah, three thousand, six hundred and thirty.
(36) The priests: The sons of Jediaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred and seventy-three.
(37) The sons of Immer, a thousand and fifty-two.
(38) The sons of Pashur, a thousand two hundred and forty-seven.
(39) The sons of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.
(40) The Levites: The sons of Jeshua and Kadmiel, of the sons of Hodaviah seventy-four.
(41) The singers: The sons of Asaph, a hundred and twenty-eight.
(42) The sons of the gatekeepers: The sons of Shallum, the sons of Ater, the sons of Talmon, the sons of Akkub, the sons of Hatita, the sons of Shobai, a hundred and thirty-nine.
(43) The temple-servants: The sons of Ziha, the sons of Hasupha, the sons of Tabbathiah, the sons of Keros, the sons of Siaha, the sons of Padon, the sons of Lebanon, the sons of Hagabah, the sons of Akkub, the sons of Hagabah, the sons of Shalmai, the sons of Hanan, the sons of Giddel, the sons of Gahar, the sons of Reaiah,
(48) the sons of Rezin, the sons of Nekoda, the sons of Gazzam,
(49) the sons of Uzza, the sons of Paseah, the sons of Besai,
(50) the sons of Asnah, the sons of Meunim, the sons of Nephusim,
(51) the sons of Bakbuk, the sons of Hakupha, the sons of Harhur,
(52) the sons of Bazluth, the sons of Mehida, the sons of Harsha,
(53) the sons of Barkos, the sons of Sisera, the sons of Thamah,
(54) the sons of Neziah, the sons of Hatipha.
(55) The sons of Solomon's servants: The sons of Sotai, the sons of Sophereth, the sons of Peruda,
(56) the sons of Jaalah, the sons of Darkon, the sons of Giddel,
(57) the sons of Shephatiah, the sons of Hattil, the sons of Pochereth of Zebaim, the sons of Ami.
(58) All the temple-servants, and the sons of Solomon's servants three hundred and ninety-two.
(59) And these were they who went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsa, Cherub, Addan, and Immer, but they could not show their father's house and their seed, whether they were of Israel:
(60) the sons of Delaiah, the sons of Tobiah, the sons of Nekoda, six hundred and fifty-two.
(61) And of the sons of the priests, the sons of Habaiah, the sons of Koz, the sons of Barzillai (who took a wife of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called after their name).
(62) These looked for their register among those who were counted by genealogy, but they were not found. Therefore they were polluted from the priesthood.
(63) And the governor said to them that they should not eat of the most holy things until there stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim.
(64) The whole congregation together was forty-two thousand, three hundred and sixty,
(65) besides their servants and their maids, seven thousand three hundred and thirty-seven. And among them were two hundred singing men and singing women.
(66) Their horses were seven hundred and thirty-six, their mules, two hundred and forty-five,
(67) their camels, four hundred and thirty-five, their asses six thousand seven hundred and twenty.
(68) And some of the chief of the fathers, when they came to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, offered freely for the house of God to set it up in its place.
(69) They gave according to their ability to the treasure of the work, sixty one thousand drachmas of gold, and five thousand minas of silver, and one hundred priest's garments. 
(70) And the priests, and the Levites, and many of the people, and the singers, and the gatekeepers, and the temple slaves, lived in their cities. And all Israel in their cities.

Nehemiah 7:6-73
(6) These are the sons of the province who went up out of the captivity, of those who had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away. And they came again to Jerusalem and to Judah, every one to his city,
(7) and came with Zerubbabel, Jeshua, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number of the men of the people of Israel:
(8) The sons of Parosh, two thousand and seventy-two.
(9) The sons of Shephatiah, three hundred and seventy-two.
(10) The sons of Arah, six hundred and fifty-two.
(11) The sons of Pahath-moab, of the sons of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand, eight hundred and eighteen.
(12) The sons of Elam, a thousand two hundred and fifty-four.
(13) The sons of Zattu, eight hundred and forty-five.
(14) The sons of Zaccai, seven hundred and sixty.
(15) The sons of Binnui, six hundred and forty-eight.
(16) The sons of Bebai, six hundred and twenty-eight.
(17) The sons of Azgad, two thousand three hundred and twenty-two.
(18) The sons of Adonikam, six hundred and sixty-seven.
(19) The sons of Bigvai, two thousand and sixty-seven.
(20) The sons of Adin, six hundred and fifty-five.
(21) The sons of Ater of Hezekiah, ninety-eight.
(22) The sons of Hashum, three hundred and twenty-eight.
(23) The sons of Bebai, six hundred and twenty-eight.
(24) The sons of Hariph, a hundred and twelve.
(26) The men of Bethlehem and Netophah, a hundred and eighty-eight.
(27) The men of Anathoth, a hundred and twenty-eight.
(28) The men of Bethazmaveth, forty-two.
(29) The men of Kirjath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty-three.
(30) The men of Ramah and Geba, six hundred and twenty-one.
(31) The men of Michmas, a hundred and twenty-two.
(32) The men of Bethel and Ai, a hundred and twenty-three.
(33) The men of the other Nebo, fifty-two.
(34) The sons of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred and fifty-four.
(35) The sons of Harim, three hundred and twenty.
(36) The sons of Jericho, three hundred and forty-five.
(37) The sons of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred and twenty-one.
(38) The sons of Senaah, three thousand nine hundred and thirty.
(39) The priests: the sons of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred and seventy-three.
(40) The sons of Immer, a thousand and fifty-two.
(41) The sons of Pashur, a thousand two hundred and forty-seven.
(42) The sons of Harim, a thousand and seventeen.
(43) The Levites: the sons of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, and of the sons of Hodevah, seventy-four.
(44) The singers: the sons of Asaph, a hundred and forty-eight.
(45) The gatekeepers: the sons of Shallum, the sons of Ater, the sons of Talmon, the sons of Akkub, the sons of Hatita, and the sons of Shobai, a hundred and thirty-eight.
(46) The temple slaves: the sons of Ziha, the sons of Hashupha, the sons of Tabbaoth,
(47) the sons of Keros, the sons of Sia, the sons of Padon,
(48) the sons of Lebana, the sons of Hagaba, the sons of Shalmai,
(49) the sons of Hanan, the sons of Giddel, the sons of Gahar,
(50) the sons of Reaiah, the sons of Rezin, the sons of Nekoda,
(51) the sons of Gazzam, the sons of Uzza, the sons of Paseah,
(52) the sons of Besai, the sons of Meunim, the sons of Nepisheshim,
(53) the sons of Bakbuk, the sons of Hakupha, the sons of Harhur,
(54) the sons of Bazzith, the sons of Mehidah, the sons of Harsha,
(55) the sons of Barkos, the sons of Sisera, the sons of Tamah,
(56) the sons of Neziah, the sons of Hatipha.
(57) The sons of Solomon's servants: the sons of Sotai, the sons of Sophereth, the sons of
Perida,
(58) the sons of Jaala, the sons of Darkon, the sons of Giddel,
(59) the sons of Shephatiah, the sons of Hattil, the sons of Pochereth of Zebaim, the sons of
Amon.
(60) All the temple-slaves, and the sons of Solomon's servants, three hundred and ninety-
two.
(61) And these were they who went up from Tel-melah, Tel-haresha, Cherub, Addon, and
Immer. But they could not show their father's house, nor their seed, whether they were of
Israel:
(62) The sons of Delaiah, the sons of Tobiah, the sons of Nekoda, six hundred and forty-two.
(63) And of the priests: the sons of Habaiah, the sons of Koz, the sons of Barzillai, who took
one of the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite to wife, and was called after their name.
(64) These sought their register among those who were reckoned by genealogy, but it was
not found. Therefore they were put out, as defiled from the priesthood.
(65) And the governor said to them that they should not eat of the holy things until there
stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim.
(66) All the congregation together was forty-two thousand three hundred and sixty,
(67) besides their manservants and their maidservants; these were seven thousand three
hundred and thirty-seven. And they had two hundred and forty-five singing men and singing
women.
(68) Their horses were seven hundred and thirty-six; their mules, two hundred and forty-
five;
(69) camels, four hundred and thirty-five; and six thousand seven hundred and twenty
asses.
(70) And some of the chiefs of the fathers gave to the work. The governor gave to the
treasury a thousand darics of gold, fifty basins, and five hundred and thirty priest's
garments.
(71) And some of the chiefs of the fathers gave to the treasury of the work twenty thousand
darics of gold, and two thousand two hundred minas of silver.
(72) And what the rest of the people gave was twenty thousand darics of gold and two
thousand minas of silver, and sixty-seven priests' garments.
(73) And the priests, and the Levites, and the gatekeepers, and the singers, and some of
the people, and the temple slaves, and all Israel, lived in their cities. And when the seventh
month came, the sons of Israel were in their cities.
Psalms 14:1-7
(1) To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. The fool has said in his heart, There is no God! They acted corruptly; they have done abominable works, there is none who does good.
(2) The Lord looked down from Heaven on the sons of men, to see if there were any who understood and sought God.
(3) All have gone aside, together they are filthy; there is none who does good, no, not one.
(4) Have all the workers of iniquity not known, eating up My people as they eat bread? They have not called on the Lord.
(5) There they were in great fear; for God is in the generation of the righteous.
(6) You have shamed the counsel of the poor, because the Lord is his refuge.
(7) Who will bring the salvation of Israel out of Zion? When the Lord brings back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

Psalms 53:1-6
(1) To the Chief Musician on Mahalath. A contemplation. A Psalm of David. The fool has said in his heart, There is no God. They acted corruptly, and have worked out abominable wickedness; there is not one doing good.
(2) God looked down from Heaven on the sons of mankind to see if any was discerning, who was seeking God.
(3) Every one has turned away; they have altogether become filthy; not one is doing good, no, not even one.
(4) Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? They eat up My people as they eat bread; they have not called on God.
(5) There they dreaded with dread, where no dread was; for God has scattered the bones of him who camps against you; you have put them to shame because God rejects them.
(6) Who will give from Zion the salvation of Israel? When God brings back the captivity of His people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

A false witness shall not be unpunished, and a breather of lies shall not escape.
(Proverbs 19:5)
A false witness shall not be unpunished, and one speaking lies shall perish.
(Proverbs 19:9)

Psalms 40:13-17
(13) Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me; O Lord, make haste to help me.
(14) Let them be ashamed and humbled together, those who seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame, those who wish me evil.
(15) Let them be desolate as a reward for their shame, those who say to me, Aha, aha!
(16) Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You, and the ones loving Your salvation always say, Let the Lord be magnified.
(17) But I am poor and needy; The Lord will care for me; You are my help and my deliverer; O my God, do not wait.

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Psalms 70:1-5
(1) To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David, to bring to remembrance. Make haste, O God, to deliver me; make haste to help me, O Lord.
(2) Let them be ashamed and turned pale, those who seek after my soul; let them be turned backward and blush, those who desire my hurt.
(3) Let them be turned back for a reward of their shame, those who say, Aha, aha!
(4) Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; and let those who love Your salvation say without ending, Let God be magnified.
(5) But I am poor and needy; make haste to me, O God; You are my help and my deliverer; O my Lord, wait no longer!

Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why do you moan within me? Hope in God; for I still praise Him, the salvation of my face, and my God.
(Psalms 42:11)

Why are you cast down, O my soul? And why do you moan within me? Hope in God; for I still praise Him, the salvation of my face, and my God.
(Psalms 43:5)

Psalms 108:1-13
(1) A Song, A Psalm of David. O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and I will give praise, even with my glory.
(2) Awake, harp and lyre; I will awake early.
(3) I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples; and I will sing praises to You among the nations.
(4) For Your mercy is great above the heavens; and Your truth reaches to the clouds.
(5) Be lifted up, O God, above the heavens; and Your glory above all the earth;
(6) so that Your beloved may be delivered; save with Your right hand, and answer me.
(7) God has spoken in His holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and I will measure out the valley of Succoth.
(8) Gilead is Mine; Manasseh is Mine and Ephraim is the strength of My head; Judah is My lawgiver;
(9) Moab is My washpot; I will cast out My shoe over Edom; I will triumph over Philistia.
(10) Who will bring me into the strong city? Who will lead me into Edom?
(11) O God, have You not cast us off? And, O God, will You not go out with our armies?
(12) Give us help from trouble; for vain is the deliverance of man.
(13) Through God we shall do mighty things; for He shall trample our enemies.

Psalms 57:7-11
(7) My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise.
(8) Wake up, my soul! Wake up, harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn.
(9) I will praise You, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing to You among the nations.
(10) For Your mercy is great to the heavens, and Your truth to the clouds.
(11) Be exalted above the heavens, O God; let Your glory be above all the earth.

**Psalms 60:5-12**

(5) Save with Your right hand and answer me, that Your beloved may be delivered.
(6) God has spoken in His holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem and measure out the valley of Succoth.
(7) Gilead is Mine, and Manasseh is Mine; and Ephraim is the strength of My head, Judah is My lawgiver;
(8) Moab is My washpot; over Edom I will cast out My shoe; over Philistia I cry in triumph.
(9) Who will bring me into the strong city? Who will lead me into Edom?
(10) Have not You, O God, cast us off? And will You, O God, not go out with our armies?
(11) Give us help against our foe; for vain is the help of man.
(12) Through God we shall do great things; for it is He Who shall trample our enemies.

There is a way which seems right to a man, but the end of it is the ways of death.

*(Proverbs 14:12)*

There is a way that seems right to a man, but the end of it is the ways of death.

*(Proverbs 16:25)*

The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

*(Proverbs 18:8)*

The words of a talebearer are as wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

*(Proverbs 26:22)*

Strike a scorners, and the simple will beware; reprove one who has understanding, and he will understand knowledge.

*(Proverbs 19:25)*

When the scorners is punished, the simple is made wise; and when the wise is instructed, he receives knowledge.

*(Proverbs 21:11)*

**Isaiah 2:2-4**

(2) And it shall be, in the last days the mountain of the Lord’s house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow into it.
(3) And many people shall go and say, Come, and let us go to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob. And He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His
paths. For out of Zion shall go out the Law, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

(4) And He shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

**Micah 4:1-5**

(1) But it shall be in the last days the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be lifted up above the hills; and peoples shall flow to it.

(2) And many nations shall come and say, Come and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob. And He will teach us of His ways, and we will walk in His paths; for the Law shall go forth out of Zion, and the Word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

(3) And He shall judge between many peoples, and will decide for strong nations afar off; and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, And they shall not still learn war.

They have also healed the hurt of the daughter of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace, when there is no peace. Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? No, they were not at all ashamed, nor could they blush; therefore they shall fall among those who fall. At the time that I visit them they shall be cast down, says the Lord.

*(Jeremiah 6:14-15)*

For they have healed the hurt of the daughter of My people slightly, saying, Peace, peace; when there is no peace. Were they ashamed when they had done an abomination? No, they were not at all ashamed, nor could they blush; therefore they shall fall among those who fall; in the time of their visitation they shall be cast down, says the Lord.

*(Jeremiah 8:11-12)*

For I am with you, says the Lord, to save you. Though I make a full end of all nations where I have scattered you, yet I will not make a full end of you; but I will correct you in measure, and will not leave you entirely unpunished.

*(Jeremiah 30:11)*

Do not fear, O Jacob My servant, says the Lord, for I am with you. For I will make a full end of all the nations where I have driven you. But I will not make a full end of you, but correct you in measure; yet I will not leave you wholly unpunished.

*(Jeremiah 46:28)*

The Lord shall also roar out of Zion and utter His voice from Jerusalem. And the heavens and the earth shall shake. But the Lord will be the hope of His people and the strength of
the sons of Israel.

*(Joel 3:16)*

And he said, the Lord will roar from Zion and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the pastures of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall dry up.

*(Amos 1:2)*