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### Chap 15

**1**In the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began Azariah son of Amaziah king of Judah to reign.

**2**Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jecholiah of Jerusalem.

**3**And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done;

**4**Save that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt incense still on the high places.

**5**And the LORD smote the king, so that he was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a several house. And Jotham the king's son was over the house, judging the people of the land.

**6**And the rest of the acts of Azariah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

**7**So Azariah slept with his fathers; and they buried him with his fathers in the city of David: and Jotham his son reigned in his stead.

**8**In the thirty and eighth year of Azariah king of Judah did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam reign over Israel in Samaria six months.

**9**And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

**10**And Shallum the son of Jabesh conspired against him, and smote him before the people, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

**11**And the rest of the acts of Zachariah, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

**12**This was the word of the LORD which he spake unto Jehu, saying, Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the fourth generation. And so it came to pass.

**13**Shallum the son of Jabesh began to reign in the nine and thirtieth year of Uzziah king of Judah; and he reigned a full month in Samaria.

**14**For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him, and reigned in his stead.

**15**And the rest of the acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

**16**Then Menahem smote Tiphseh, and all that were therein, and the coasts thereof from Tirzah: because they opened not to him, therefore he smote it; and all the women therein that were with child he ripped up.

**17**In the nine and thirtieth year of Azariah king of Judah began Menahem the son of Gadi to reign over Israel, and reigned ten years in Samaria.

**18**And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

**19**And Pul the king of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem gave Pul a thousand talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand.

**20**And Menahem exacted the money of Israel, even of all the mighty men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver, to give to the king of Assyria. So the king of Assyria turned back, and stayed not there in the land.

**21**And the rest of the acts of Menahem, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

**22**And Menahem slept with his fathers; and Pekahiah his son reigned in his stead.

**23**In the fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned two years.

**24**And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

**25**But Pekah the son of Remaliah, a captain of his, conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieah, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he killed him, and reigned in his room.

**26**And the rest of the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

**27**In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned twenty years.

**28**And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

**29**In the days of Pekah king of Israel came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon, and Abel-beth-maachah, and Janoah, and Kedesh, and Hazor, and Gilead, and Galilee, all the land of Naphtali, and carried them captive to Assyria.

**30**And Hoshea the son of Elah made a conspiracy against Pekah the son of Remaliah, and smote him, and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth year of Jotham the son of Uzziah.

**31**And the rest of the acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they are written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel.

**32**In the second year of Pekah the son of Remaliah king of Israel began Jotham the son of Uzziah king of Judah to reign.

**33**Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jerusha, the daughter of Zadok.

**34**And he did that which was right in the sight of the LORD: he did according to all that his father Uzziah had done.

**35**Howbeit the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burned incense still in the high places. He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.

**36**Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

**37**In those days the LORD began to send against Judah Rezin the king of Syria, and Pekah the son of Remaliah.

**38**And Jotham slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father: and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

## Chap 16

**1**In the seventeenth year of Pekah the son of Remaliah Ahaz the son of Jotham king of Judah began to reign.

**2**Twenty years old was Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and did not that which was right in the sight of the LORD his God, like David his father.

**3**But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and made his son to pass through the fire, according to the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.

**4**And he sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

**5**Then Rezin king of Syria and Pekah son of Remaliah king of Israel came up to Jerusalem to war: and they besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome him.

**6**At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria, and drave the Jews from Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day.

**7**So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath–pileser king of Assyria, saying, I am thy servant and thy son: come up, and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me.

**8**And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent it for a present to the king of Assyria.

**9**And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against Damascus, and took it, and carried the people of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin.

**10**And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath–pileser king of Assyria, and saw an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof.

**11**And Urijah the priest built an altar according to all that king Ahaz had sent from Damascus: so Urijah the priest made it against king Ahaz came from Damascus.

**12**And when the king was come from Damascus, the king saw the altar: and the king approached to the altar, and offered thereon.

**13**And he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and poured his drink offering, and sprinkled the blood of his peace offerings, upon the altar.

**14**And he brought also the brasen altar, which was before the LORD, from the forefront of the house, from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar.

**15**And king Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest, saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's

burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering, and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen altar shall be for me to enquire by.

**16**Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded.

**17**And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen that were under it, and put it upon a pavement of stones.

**18**And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry without, turned he from the house of the LORD for the king of Assyria.

**19**Now the rest of the acts of Ahaz which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

**20**And Ahaz slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David: and Hezekiah his son reigned in his stead.

## Acts

### Chap 19

**13**Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.

**14**And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so.

**15**And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?

**16**And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

**17**And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.

**18**And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.

**19**Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

**20**So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

**21**After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome.

**22**So he sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him, Timotheus and Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.

**23**And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.

**24**For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen;

**25**Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth.

**26**Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands:

**27**So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshipping.

**28**And when they heard these sayings, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

**29**And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aristarchus, men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord into the theatre.

**30**And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered him not.

**31**And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him, desiring him that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.

**32**Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.

**33**And they drew Alexander out of the multitude, the Jews putting him forward. And Alexander beckoned with the hand, and would have made his defence unto the people.

**34**But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one voice about the space of two hours cried out, Great is Diana of the Ephesians.

**35**And when the townclerk had appeased the people, he said, Ye men of Ephesus, what man is there that knoweth not how that the city of the Ephesians is a worshipper of the great goddess Diana, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?

**36**Seeing then that these things cannot be spoken against, ye ought to be quiet, and to do nothing rashly.

**37**For ye have brought hither these men, which are neither robbers of churches, nor yet blasphemers of your goddess.

**38**Wherefore if Demetrius, and the craftsmen which are with him, have a matter against any man, the law is open, and there are deputies: let them implead one another.

**39**But if ye enquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a lawful assembly.

**40**For we are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

**41**And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the assembly.

Ps

### Chap 147

**1**Praise ye the LORD: for it is good to sing praises unto our God; for it is pleasant; and praise is comely.

**2**The LORD doth build up Jerusalem: he gathereth together the outcasts of Israel.

**3**He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

**4**He telleth the number of the stars; he calleth them all by their names.

**5**Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite.

**6**The LORD lifteth up the meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.

**7**Sing unto the LORD with thanksgiving; sing praise upon the harp unto our God:

**8**Who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.

**9**He giveth to the beast his food, and to the young ravens which cry.

**10**He delighteth not in the strength of the horse: he taketh not pleasure in the legs of a man.

**11**The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy.

**12**Praise the LORD, O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

13For he hath strengthened the bars of thy gates; he hath blessed thy children within thee.

14He maketh peace in thy borders, and filleth thee with the finest of the wheat.

15He sendeth forth his commandment upon earth: his word runneth very swiftly.

16He giveth snow like wool: he scattereth the hoarfrost like ashes.

17He casteth forth his ice like morsels: who can stand before his cold?

18He sendeth out his word, and melteth them: he causeth his wind to blow, and the waters flow.

19He sheweth his word unto Jacob, his statutes and his judgments unto Israel.

20He hath not dealt so with any nation: and as for his judgments, they have not known them. Praise ye the LORD.

Prov

Chap 18

4The words of a man's mouth are as deep waters, and the wellspring of wisdom as a flowing brook.

5It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment.