

1 Chronicles 16

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16 So they brought the ark of God, and set it in the midst of the tent that David had pitched for it: and they offered burnt sacrifices and peace offerings before God. (God chose the place for the tabernacle. Later, Solomon's temple would be built at this same place)

² And when David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD. (The priests made the actual offerings to God. David only asked God for a blessing for the people) (Peace offerings also called thank offerings) Leviticus-3

³ And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man and woman, to every one a loaf of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine. (He was a type for Jesus, who would be the Shepherd of the people. The sacrificial meal was a type for future communion)

⁴ And he appointed certain of the Levites to minister before the ark of the LORD, and to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel: (to record – to write the events as they happened)

⁵ Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obedom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound with cymbals;

⁶ Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God. (continually- meaning- at the appropriate times, such as morning and evening sacrifices)

⁷ Then on that day David delivered first this psalm to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren. (Almost word for word with Psalm-105:1-15)

----- Begin the Psalm that David spoke -----

⁸ Give thanks unto the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the people. (Remind your children of what the LORD has done for the people)

⁹ Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him, talk ye of all his wondrous works. (talk = pause, meditate<selah>)

¹⁰ Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD. 1Chronicles-28:9 (If you seek Him, you will find Him)

¹¹ Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually. (And you will receive His blessings)

¹² Remember his marvellous works that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth; (Learn God's rules, commandments and advice. They will keep you out of trouble)

¹³ O ye seed of Israel his servant, ye children of Jacob, his chosen ones. (God chose the seed line of Abraham by which to come into the world as Jesus. After the crucifixion, God opened salvation to all people who accept Him as their God)

¹⁴ He is the LORD our God; his judgments are in all the earth. (God created the universe. HE rules over all, whether people like it or not)

¹⁵ Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded to a thousand generations; (Covenant – contract, testament)

(The Old Testament that He made with Abraham; the New Testament which Jesus made with all who will believe on Him)

¹⁶ Even of the covenant which he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac; Genesis-17, Genesis-26

¹⁷ And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant, Genesis-35

¹⁸ Saying, unto thee will I give the land of Canaan, the lot of your inheritance; (Canaan was promised to the Israelites. The people that lived there had mixed with the fallen angels, and were perverted idolaters. That's why God took away their land and gave it to Israel) See Genesis-6, Jude

¹⁹ When ye were but few, even a few, and strangers in it. (70 people went into Egypt – approx 2 million came out, 400 years later)

²⁰ And when they went from nation to nation, and from one kingdom to another people; (From Abraham, to Joseph, to Moses)

²¹ He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproveth kings for their sakes, (God protected Israel while they were in Egypt. example: 10 plagues on Pharaoh)

²² Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm. Psalms-105:15 (God issues the same warning to antichrist in the end times)

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(Almost word for word Psalms-96:1-13) -----

²³ Sing unto the LORD, all the earth; shew forth from day to day his salvation. (Praise God daily; be a witness to His salvation)

²⁴ Declare his glory among the heathen; his marvellous works among all nations. (nations = gentiles) (Some of them might wake up from their stupor and seek His salvation)

²⁵ For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised: he also is to be feared above all gods. (feared= revered - same Hebrew word; revere Him if you love Him; fear Him if you are His enemy)

²⁶ For all the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the heavens. (idols= good for nothing, vanity< Hebrew>)

²⁷ Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place. (The place of His dwelling)

²⁸ Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength. (strength = homage, tribute) (Our offering to God today is out love) Hosea-6:6

²⁹ Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness. (an offering= minka- a gift or meal offering)

³⁰ Fear before him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved. (Fear= revere) (stable= established – better translation)

³¹ Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations, The LORD reigneth.

(Today, that is considered bigotry, by the heathen, muslims and atheists who have permeated out government. Don't let them intimidate you into leaving God. Stay with Him and He will stay with you)

³² Let the sea roar, and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein. (Nature glorifies the Lord)

³³ Then shall the trees of the wood sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh to judge the earth. (A play on words – Kirjathjirim means City of the Wood; where the Ark was, when David first sought to bring it to Jerusalem)

³⁴ O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for his mercy endureth for ever. (God's mercy is proof of His love for us) 2Peter-3:9

³⁵ And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation, and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and glory in thy praise. Deuteronomy-4:28-32 (God will scatter us if we disobey His commandments. As we are scattered today in Europe and North America) (David knew the scriptures)

³⁶ Blessed be the LORD God of Israel for ever and ever. And all the people said, Amen, and praised the LORD. (Amen – that's that)

-----End of second Psalm by David-----

³⁷ So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, Asaph and his brethren, to minister before the ark continually, as every day's work required: (the morning sacrifice, the evening sacrifice and every feast day)

³⁸ And Obbedom with their brethren, threescore and eight; Obbedom also the son of Jeduthun and Hosah to be porters: (Guards and door keepers)

³⁹ And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that was at Gibeon, (Zadok will later be chosen over Abiathar, because he was of the lineage of the chosen son of Aaron)

⁴⁰ To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening, and to do according to all that is written in the law of the LORD, which he commanded Israel;

⁴¹ And with them Heman and Jeduthun, and the rest that were chosen, who were expressed by name, to give thanks to the LORD, because his mercy endureth for ever; (Asaph ,Heman and Jeduthun – the three top musicians)

⁴² And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun were porters. (Two different Jeduthuns in this verse. The second one is a Koathite)

⁴³ And all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.