Vayigash, Haftarah, December 23, 2023

Ezekiel 37:15-28

(15) The word of GOD came to me: (16) And you, O mortal, take a stick and write on it, "Of Judah and the Israelites associated with him"; and take another stick and write on it, "Of Joseph—the stick of Ephraim —and all the House of Israel associated with him." (17) Bring them close to each other, so that they become one stick, joined together in your hand. (18) And when any of your people ask you, "Won't you tell us what these actions of yours mean?" (19) answer them, "Thus said the Sovereign GOD: I am going to take the stick of Joseph—which is in the hand of Ephraim—and of the tribes of Israel associated with him, and I will place the stick of Judah upon it and make them into one stick; they

יחזקאל ל"ז:ט"ו-כ"ח (טו) וַיִהֶי דְבַר־יהוה אֵלֵי לֵאמְר: (טז) וִאַּמָה בֶּן־אָּדָֹם קַח־לְדְּ עֵץ אַחָד וּכִתָּב עַלַיוֹ לֵיהוּדָה וִלְבְנֵי יִשְׁרָאֵל חֲבֶרָו וּלְקַחֹ עֵץ אָחַד וּכְתוֹב עַלֵיו לִיוֹסֶף עֵץ אֵפָּרִים וְקָרֵב יִשְׂרָאֵל חֲבֵרֶו: (יז) וְקָרַב אֹתָם אַחָד אֵל־אַחָד לִךְּ לִעֵץ אַחָד וָהָיָוּ לַאַחָדֵים בִּיָדֵך: (יח) וְכַאֲשׁׁרֹ יאמרו אַלֶּידְ בָנֵי עַמַּדְּ לֵאמִר הַלְוֹאִ־תַגִּיד לֵנוּ מַה־אֱלֶה לַך: (יט) דַבֶּר אֵלֵהָם כֹּה־אַמְר אדני יהוה הְנֵה אֲנִי לֹלֵחָ אֵת־עֵץ יוֹסֶף אֲשֵׁר בְיֵד־אֶפְלַיִם וְשִׁבְטֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל חֲבַרֶו וְנָתַתִּי אוֹתָם עַלָיו אֵת־עֵץ יִהוּדָה וַעַשִּׂיתִם לְעֵץ אֵחָד וְהַיִּוּ אֲחָד בּיָדֵי: (כ) וְהָיוּ הָעֵצִים אֲשֶׁר־תִּכְתְּב אַלֵיהֵם בִּיָדְךָּ לְעֵינֵיהֵם: (כא) וְדַבֵּר

shall be joined in My hand." (20) You shall hold up before their eyes the sticks that you have inscribed, (21) and you shall declare to them: Thus said the Sovereign GOD: I am going to take the Israelite people from among the nations they have gone to, and gather them from every quarter, and bring them to their own land. (22) I will make them a single nation in the land, on the hills of Israel, and one king shall be king of them all. Never again shall they be two nations, and never again shall they be divided into two kingdoms. (23) Nor shall they ever again defile themselves by their fetishes and their abhorrent things, and by their other transgressions. I will save them in all their settlements where they sinned, and I will purify them. Then they shall be My people, and I will be their God. (24) My servant David shall be king over them; there shall be one shepherd for all of them. They shall

אַלֵיהֵם כֹּה־אָמַר אדני יהוה הָנֵּה אָנִי לֹלֵחַ אֶת־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵׁל מִבֵּין הגוים אַשֵר הַלְכוּ־שָׁם וִקבּצְתִּי אֹתַם מִסָּבִּיב וָהֶבֶאתֵי אוֹתַם אָל־אַדְמָתָם: (כב) וְעָשֵׂיתִי אוֹתְם לְגוֹי אַחֶד בָּאָבץ בִּהָבֵי יִשְׂרָאֵׁל וּמֵלֶךְ אָחָד יִהְיֵה לְכַלֵּם לְמֵלֶךְ וִלְא (יהיה) [יָהִיוּ־]עוֹל לְשָׁנֵי גוֹיִּם וְלֹא יָחֵצוּ עוֹד לְשָׁתֵּי מַמְלַכְוֹת עוֹד: (כג) וַלָּא יָטַמָּאָוּ עוֹד בִּגְלְּוּלֵיהֶם וּבִשִׁקּוּצֵיהֵם וּבִכְל פִּשִׁעֵיהֵם וָהוֹשַׁעָתֵּי אֹתַם מְכָּל מוֹשָׁבְתֵיהֵם אַשֵּׁר חַטָאוּ בָהֶם וְטָהַרְתֵּי אוֹתַם וָהַיוּ־לֵי לְעַׁם וַאֲנִי אֵהְיֵה לְהֵם לֵאלֹהִים: (כד) וְעַבְדֵּי דָוִד מֱלֶּהְ עַלֵיהֶם וְרוֹעֲה אָחָד יִהְיֵה לְכָלָם וּבִמִשִׁפָּטִי יֵלֵכוּ וְחֻקּוֹתִי יִשְׁמְרָוּ וְעַשִּׁוּ אוֹתָם: (כה) וְיַשְׁבִוּ עַל־הַאַּרֵץ אַשֵׁר נַתַּתִּי לִעַבְדֵּי לִיַעַלֶּב אֲשֵׁר ַטָשָׁבוּ־בָה אֱבִוֹתֵיכֵם וְיָשִׁבוּ עַלֵּיהָ הַמָּה וּבְנֵיהֵם וּבְנֵי בְנֵיהֵם עַד־עוֹלְם follow My rules and faithfully obey My laws. (25) Thus they shall remain in the land that I gave to My servant Jacob and in which your ancestors dwelt; they and their children and their children's children shall dwell there forever, with My servant David as their prince for all time. (26) I will make a covenant of friendship with them —it shall be an everlasting covenant with them—I will establish them and multiply them, and I will place My Sanctuary among them forever. (27) My Presence shall rest over them; I will be their God and they shall be My people. (28) And when My Sanctuary abides among them forever, the nations shall know that I, GOD, do sanctify Israel.

וְדְנֵד עַבְּדָּי נְשָׂיא לְהֶם לְעוֹלֶם: (כו)
וְכְרַתֵּי לְהֶם בְּרִית שְׁלוֹם בְּרִית
עוֹלֶם יִהְיֶה אוֹתֶם וּנְתַתִּים וְהִרְבֵּיתִי
אוֹלֶם וְנְתַתְּי אֶת־מִקְדְּשֵׁי בְּתוֹכֶם
לְעוֹלֶם: (כז) וְהָיֶה מִשְׁכְּנִי עֲלֵיהֶם
וְהְיִיתִי לְהֶם לֵאלֹהִים וְהֵבְּה
יִהְיוֹר לְהֶם לֵאלֹהִים וְהֵבְּה
יְהִיוֹר לְעָם: (כח) וְיִדְעוֹ הַגּוֹיִם כֻּי
יְבְיִיתִי לְעָם: (כח) וְיִדְעוֹ הַגּוֹיִם כָּי
אֲנִי יהוה מְקַדֵּשׁ אֶת־יִשְׂרָאֵל