

Vayechi, Haftarah, January 11, 2025

I Kings 2:1-12

(1) When David's life was drawing to a close, he instructed his son Solomon as follows: (2) "I am going the way of all the earth; you will be the man in charge—if you act with determination. (3) Keep the charge of the ETERNAL your God, walking in God's ways and following God's laws, commandments, rules, and admonitions as recorded in the Teaching of Moses, in order that you may succeed in whatever you undertake and wherever you turn. (4) Then GOD will fulfill the promise that was made concerning me: 'If your descendants are scrupulous in their conduct, and walk before Me faithfully, with all their heart and soul, your line on the throne of Israel shall never end!' (5) "Further, you know what Joab

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(א) וַיִּקְרְבוּ יְמֵי־דָוִד לָמוֹת וַיִּצְוֶה
אֶת־שְׁלֹמֹה בְּנוֹ לֵאמֹר: (ב) אֲנֹכִי
הֵלֵךְ בְּדַרְךְ כָּל־הָאָרֶץ וְחֻזְקָתִי
וְהָיִיתִ לְאִישׁ: (ג) וּשְׁמַרְתָּ
אֶת־מִשְׁמֶרֶת | יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְלַכֵּת
בְּדַרְכֵי לְשֹׁמֵר חֻקֹּתַי מִצְוֹתַי
וּמִשְׁפָּטַי וְעֲדוּתַי כִּכְתוּב בְּתוֹרַת
מֹשֶׁה לְמַעַן תִּשְׁפִּיל אֶת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר
תַּעֲשֶׂה וְאֵת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר תִּפְגַּח שֵׁם:
(ד) לְמַעַן יִקָּיֵם יְהוָה אֶת־דְּבָרוֹ
אֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר עָלַי לֵאמֹר אִם־יִשְׁמְרוּ
בְּנֵיךָ אֶת־דַּרְכֶּם לְלַכֵּת לְפָנַי בְּאַמֻּת
בְּכָל־לְבָבָם וּבְכָל־נַפְשָׁם לֵאמֹר
לֹא־יִכָּרֵת לְךָ אִישׁ מֵעַל כִּסֵּא
יִשְׂרָאֵל: (ה) וְגַם אֶתָּה יִדְעָתָ אֵת
אֲשֶׁר־עָשָׂה לִי יוֹאָב בֶּן־צְרוּיָה
אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂה לְשְׁנֵי־שָׂרֵי צְבָאוֹת

son of Zeruah did to me, what he did to the two commanders of Israel's forces, Abner son of Ner and Amasa son of Jether: he killed them, shedding blood of war in peacetime, staining the girdle of his loins and the sandals on his feet with blood of war. (6) So act in accordance with your wisdom, and see that his white hair does not go down to Sheol in peace. (7) "But deal graciously with the sons of Barzillai the Gileadite, for they befriended me when I fled from your brother Absalom; let them be among those that eat at your table. (8) "You must also deal with Shimei son of Gera, the Benjaminite from Bahurim. He insulted me outrageously when I was on my way to Mahanaim; but he came down to meet me at the Jordan, and I swore to him by GOD: 'I will not put you to the sword.' (9) So do not let him go unpunished; for you are a shrewd man and you will

יִשְׂרָאֵל לְאַבְנֵר בֶּן־נֵר וְלַעֲמָשָׂא
בֶּן־יֶתֶר וַיְהִרְגֵם וַיִּשָּׂם דְּמֵי־מִלְחָמָה
בְּשָׁלֹם וַיִּתֵּן דְּמֵי מִלְחָמָה בַּחֲגֻרְתּוֹ
אֲשֶׁר בְּמַתְנָיו וּבִנְעָלוֹ אֲשֶׁר
בְּרַגְלָיו: (ו) וַעֲשִׂיתָ כְּחַכְמָתְךָ
וְלֹא־תוֹרַד שִׁיבְתוּ בְּשָׁלֹם שְׂאֵל: (ז)
וּלְבָנָי בְּרִזְלֵי הַגְּלָעָדִי תַעֲשֶׂה־חֶסֶד
וְהָיוּ בְּאֶכְלֵי שְׁלֹחָנְךָ כִּי־כֹן קָרְבוּ
אֵלַי בְּבִרְחֵי מִפְּנֵי אַבְשָׁלוֹם אַחִיד:
(ח) וְהִנֵּה עֲמָךְ שָׁמְעֵי בֶן־גֵּרָא
בֶּן־הַיְמִינִי מִבְּחָרִים וְהוּא קָלְלָנִי
קָלְלָה נְמוֹרָצַת בַּיּוֹם לְכַתִּי מִחַנְּנִים
וְהוּא־יֵרַד לְקַרְאֹתִי הִירְדֹן וְאַשְׁבַּע
לֹו בִּיהוָה לֹא־אֶמְרֵ אִם־אֶמִּיתְךָ
בְּחָרְב: (ט) וַעֲתָה אֶל־תִּנְקְהוּ כִּי
אִישׁ חָכֵם אַתָּה וַיִּדְעַתָּ אֵת אֲשֶׁר
תַעֲשֶׂה־לּוֹ וְהוֹרַדְתָּ אֶת־שִׁיבְתוֹ בְּדָם
שְׂאוֹל: (י) וַיִּשְׁכַּב דָּוִד עִם־אֲבֹתָיו
וַיִּקָּבֵר בְּעִיר דָּוִד: {פ} (יא) וְהַיָּמִים
אֲשֶׁר מָלַךְ דָּוִד עַל־יִשְׂרָאֵל
אַרְבָּעִים שָׁנָה בְּחֶבְרוֹן מָלַךְ שִׁבְעַ

know how to deal with him and send his gray hair down to Sheol in blood.” (10) So David rested with his ancestors, and he was buried in the City of David. (11) The length of David’s reign over Israel was forty years: he reigned seven years in Hebron, and he reigned thirty-three years in Jerusalem. (12) And Solomon sat upon the throne of his father David, and his rule was firmly established.

שָׁנִים וּבִירוּשָׁלַם מֶלֶךְ שְׁלֹשִׁים
וּשְׁלֹשׁ שָׁנִים: (יב) וּשְׁלֹמֹה יָשָׁב
עַל־כִּסֵּא דָוִד אָבִיו וַתֵּכֶן מַלְכֻתוֹ
מֵאָד: {ס}