

2 Chronicles 7:11

Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD
and the king's house.

All that Solomon had planned to do
in the house of the LORD
and in his own house
he successfully accomplished.

2 Chronicles 7:12-14

Then the LORD appeared to Solomon
in the night and said to him:

“I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place
for myself as a house of sacrifice.

When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain,
or command the locust to devour the land,
or send pestilence among my people,
if my people who are called by my name
humble themselves, and pray and seek my face
and turn from their wicked ways,
then I will hear from heaven
and will forgive their sin and heal their land.”

2 Chronicles 7:15-16

“Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive
to the prayer that is made in this place.
For now I have chosen and consecrated this house
that my name may be there forever.
My eyes and my heart will be there for all time.”

2 Chronicles 7:17-18

“And as for you, if you will walk before me
as David your father walked,
doing according to all that I have commanded you
and keeping my statutes and my rules,
then I will establish your royal throne,
as I covenanted with David your father, saying,
‘You shall not lack a man to rule Israel.’”

2 Chronicles 7:19-20

“But if you turn aside and forsake my statutes
and my commandments that I have set before you,
and go and serve other gods and worship them,
then I will pluck you up from my land
that I have given you, and this house
that I have consecrated for my name,
I will cast out of my sight,
and I will make it a proverb and a byword
among all peoples.”

2 Chronicles 7:21-22

“And at this house, which was exalted,
everyone passing by will be astonished and say,
‘Why has the LORD done thus to this land
and to this house?’ Then they will say,
‘Because they abandoned the LORD,
the God of their fathers who brought them
out of the land of Egypt
and laid hold on other gods
and worshiped them and served them.

“Therefore he has brought
all this disaster on them.””

2 Chronicles 7:14-16

If my people who are called by my name
humble themselves, and *pray* and *seek* my face
and *turn* from their wicked ways,
then I will *hear* from heaven
and will *forgive* their sin and *heal* their land.

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Deuteronomy 30:19-20

“I call heaven and earth to witness against you today,
that I have set before you
life and death, blessing and curse.

Therefore choose life,
that you and your offspring may live,
loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice
and holding fast to him,
for he is your life and length of days,
that you may dwell in the land
that the LORD swore to your fathers,
to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

1 Chronicles 1:1-7

Adam, Seth, Enosh; Kenan, Mahalalel, Jared;
Enoch, Methuselah, Lamech;
Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

The sons of Japheth: Gomer, Magog, Madai,
Javan, Tubal, Meshech, and Tiras.

The sons of Gomer: Ashkenaz, Riphath,
and Togarmah.

The sons of Javan: Elishah, Tarshish, Kittim,
and Rodanim...

1 Chronicles 15:16-28

David also commanded the chiefs of the Levites
to appoint their brothers as the singers
who should play loudly on musical instruments,
on harps and lyres and cymbals,
to raise sounds of joy...

1 Chronicles 15:16-28

The singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan,
were to sound bronze cymbals;

Zechariah, Aziel, Shemira-moth, Jehiel,
Unni, Eliab, Maaseiah, and Benaiah
were to play harps according to Alamoth;

but Mattithiah, Eliphelehu, Mikneiah,
Obed-edom, Jeiel, and Azaziah
were to lead with lyres according to the Sheminith.

1 Chronicles 15:16-28

Chenaniah, leader of the Levites in music,
should direct the music, for he understood it...

Shebaniah, Joshaphat, Nethanel, Amasai,
Zechariah, Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests,
should blow the trumpets
before the ark of God.

1 Chronicles 16:37-42

So David left Asaph and his brothers there
before the ark of the covenant of the LORD
to minister regularly before the ark
as each day required...

1 Chronicles 16:37-42

And he left Zadok the priest
and his brothers the priests
before the tabernacle of the LORD
in the high place that was at Gibeon
to offer burnt offerings to the LORD on the altar
of burnt offering regularly morning and evening,
to do all that is written in the Law of the LORD
that he commanded Israel.

1 Chronicles 16:37-42

With them were Heman and Jeduthun
and the rest of those chosen and expressly named
to give thanks to the LORD,
for his steadfast love endures forever.

Heman and Jeduthun had trumpets and cymbals
for the music and instruments for sacred song.

2 Chronicles 7:14-16

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Ezra 3:12-13

But many of the priests and Levites
and heads of fathers' houses,
old men who had seen the first house,
wept with a loud voice when they saw
the foundation of this house being laid,
though many shouted aloud for joy,
so that the people could not distinguish
the sound of the joyful shout
from the sound of the people's weeping,
for the people shouted with a great shout,
and the sound was heard far away.

2 Chronicles 36:23

Thus says Cyrus king of Persia,
“The LORD, the God of heaven,
has given me all the kingdoms of the earth,
and he has charged me to build him
a house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

“Whoever is among you of all his people,
may the LORD his God be with him.
Let him go up.”

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Job 19:25-27

I know that my Redeemer lives,
and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.
And after my skin has been destroyed,
yet in my flesh I will see God.
I myself will see him with my own eyes –
I, and not another.
How my heart yearns within me!