

**8**[1] And it was, after this, so David struck Philistines and subdued them. And David took the bridle<sup>1</sup> of the mother city<sup>2</sup> from Philistines' hand. [2] And he struck Moab and measured with a line laying them down to earth. And he measured two lines to be put to death, and the full line to be kept alive. And Moab was to David for servants bearing tribute.

[3] And David struck Hadadezer,<sup>3</sup> son of Rechob, king of Zobah, in his going to return his hand in Euphrates River. [4] And David captured from him a thousand seven hundred horsemen and twenty thousand footmen. And David hamstringed<sup>4</sup> all the chariot horses, and he spared from them a hundred chariot horses.

[5] And Aram<sup>5</sup> of Damascus came to help Hadadezer, king of Zobah, and David struck among Aram twenty two thousand men. [6] And David put garrisons in Aram of Damascus, and Aram became to David for servants bearing tribute. And Yehvah saved David wherever he went. [7] And David took the shields of gold that had belonged to Hadadezer's servants, and he brought them into Jerusalem.

[8] And from Betach<sup>6</sup> and Berothai,<sup>7</sup> cities of Hadadezer, David, the king, took very much bronze. [9] And Toi,<sup>8</sup> king of Hamath, heard that David had struck the entire army of Hadadezer, king of Zobah. [10] And Toi sent Joram<sup>9</sup> his son to David, the king, to ask for him for peace and to bless him. Because, he had been warring against Hadadezer and struck him. For a man of wars with Toi was Hadadezer. And in his hand were vessels of silver and vessels of gold and vessels of bronze.

[11] Also, these, David the king, sanctified to Yehvah with the silver and the gold that he sanctified from all the nations that he subdued, [12] from Aram, and from Moab, and from sons of Ammon, and from Philistines, and from Amalek, and from spoils of Hadadezer, son of Rechob, king of Zobah. [13] And when he returned from his striking Aram, David made a name in Valley of Salt,<sup>10</sup> eighteen thousand. [14] And he put garrisons in Edom. Throughout Edom he put garrisons, and all of Edom were servants to David. And Yehvah saved David wherever he went.

[15] And David reigned over all Israel, and David was doing judgment and righteousness to all his people. [16] And Joab, son of Zeruiah, was over the army,

---

1 מִתְּגָ (meteg) “bridle” (e.g. Psalm 32:9; Proverbs 26:3) ASV, YLT, WEB; “Metheg” NKJV; “control” NAS

2 אֲמָהָ ('ammâh) “mother city” ASV, WEB; “Ammah” NKJV; “chief city” NAS; “metropolis” YLT – see also 2 Samuel 20:19 “mother” אִם ('êm) of Israel.

3 הַדְּדַעְזָר (hadad' ezer) “Hadadezer” (= “Hadad is help”) - found also in 2 Samuel 8:5, 7-10. 12; 10:16, 19; 1 Kings 11:23; 1 Chronicles 18:3, 5, 7-10; 19:16, 19.

4 See also Joshua 11:6-9.

5 אֲרָם ('aram) “Aram” - this is both a name and a people. See footnote for Genesis 10:22.

6 בֵּטַח (betach) “Betach”; NKJV “Betah” - same word as found in Genesis 34:25 (see footnote) – only here for a name.

7 בְּרוֹתַי (bêrotay) “Berothai” - only here.

8 תֹּעִי (to`iy) “Toi” - found also in 2 Samuel 8:10 & “Tou” תֹּעִי (to`u) in 1 Chronicles 18:9-10.

9 יוֹרָם (yorâm) “Joram” - named “Hadoram” הַדּוֹרָם (hadorâm) in 1 Chronicles 18:10. There is also the king of Judah in 2 Kings 8:21, 23-24; 11:2; 1 Chronicles 3:11, also named “Jehoram” יְהוֹרָם (yehorâm) in 1 Kings 22:51; 2 Kings 1:17; 8:16, 25, 29; 12:19; 2 Chronicles 21:1, 3-5, 9, 16; 22:1, 6, 11. There is also the king of Israel in 2 Kings 8:16, 25, 28-29; 9:14, 16, 29; 2 Chronicles 22:5, 7, also named “Jerhoram” in 2 Kings 1:17; 3:1, 6; 9:15, 17, 21-23; 2 Chronicles 22:5-7. There is also a Levite in 1 Chronicles 26:25, and “Jerhoram” a priest in 2 Chronicles 17:8.

10 Valley of Salt was in the northern part of Edom just south of the Dead Sea.

and Jehoshaphat,<sup>11</sup> son of Ahilud<sup>12</sup> was recorder.<sup>13</sup> [17] And Zadok,<sup>14</sup> son of Ahitub, and Ahimelech, son of Abiathar, were priests, and Seraiah<sup>15</sup> a scribe, [18] and Benaiah,<sup>16</sup> son of Jehoiada,<sup>17</sup> and the Cherethite and the Pelethite,<sup>18</sup> and David's sons were priests.<sup>19</sup>

- 
- 11 יהושָפָט (yehoshâphât) “Jehoshaphat” (= Yah has judged) – found also in 2 Samuel 20:24; 1 Kings 4:3; 1 Chronicles 18:15, also king Jehoshaphat in 1 Kings 15:24, etc., and also father of king Jehu in 2 Kings 9:2, 14, and one of 12 governors of Solomon in 1 Kings 4:17, and one of David's mighty men in 1 Chronicles 11:43 “Joshaphat” יוֹשָפָט (yoshâphât), and a priest “Joshaphat” in 1 Chronicles 15:24, and the valley of Jehoshaphat in Joel 2:29(H3:2); 3:12(H4:12).
- 12 אַחִילוּד ('achiylud) “Ahilud” - found also in 2 Samuel 20:24; 1 Kings 4:3; 1 Chronicles 18:15, and father of Baana in 1 Kings 4:12.
- 13 מַזְכִּיר (mazkiyr) “recorder” NKJV; “historian” Green; YLT “remembrancer” - noun from the root verb to remember.
- 14 צָדוֹק (tsâdoq) “Zadok” - found also in 2 Samuel 15:24-25, 27, 29, 35; 17:15; 18:19, 22, 27; 19:11; 20:25; 1 Kings 1:8, 26, 32, 34, 38-39, 44-45; 2:35; 4:2, 4; 2 Kings 15:33; 1 Chronicles 6:8, 12, 53; 9:11; 12:28; 15:11; 16:39; 18:16; 24:3, 6, 31; 27:17; 29:22; 2 Chronicles 27:1; 31:10; Ezra 7:2; Nehemiah 3:4, 29; 10:21; 11:11; 13:13; Ezekiel 40:46; 43:19; 44:15; 48:11
- 15 שֶרְיָה (serâyâh) “Seraiah” - found also in 2 Kings 25:18, 23; 1 Chronicles 4:13-14, 35; 6:14(H5:40); Ezra 2:2; 7:1; Nehemiah 10:2(H3); 11:11; 12:1, 12; Jeremiah 40:8; 51:59, 61; 52:24, and also as שֶרְיָהוּ (serâyâhu) in Jeremiah 36:26.
- 16 בְנֵיָהוּ (benâyâhu) “Benaiah” - found also in 2 Samuel 8:23:20, 22, 30; 1 Kings 1:8, 10, 26, 32, 36, 38, 44; 2:25, 29-30, 34-35, 46; 4:4; 1 Chronicles 11:24; 15:18, 20, 24; 16:5-6; 18:17; 27:5-6, 34; 2 Chronicles 31:13; Ezekiel 11:1, and בְנֵיָה (benâyâh) in 2 Samuel 20:23; 1 Chronicles 4:36; 11:22, 31; 27:14; 2 Chronicles 20:14; Ezra 10:25, 30, 35, 43; Ezekiel 11:13.
- 17 יְהוֹיָדָע (yehoyâsdâ) “Jehoiada” - found also in 2 Samuel 20:23; 23:20, 22; 1 Kings 1:8, 26, 32, 36, 38, 44; 2:25, 29, 34-35, 46; 4:4; 2 Kings 11:4, 9, 15, 17; 12:3, 8-9(H10); 1 Chronicles 11:22, 24; 12:27(H28); 18:17; 27:5; 34; 2 Chronicles 22:11; 23:1, 8-9, 11, 14, 16, 18; 24:2-3, 6, 12, 14, 15, 17, 20, 22, 25; Jeremiah 29:26, and יוֹיָדָע (yoyâdâ) in Nehemiah 3:6; 12:10-11, 22; 13:28.
- 18 פְּלִתִי (pelêtiy) “Pelethite” - found also in 2 Samuel 15:18; 20:7, 23; 1 Kings 1:38, 44; 1 Chronicles 18:17.
- 19 כֹהֲנִים (kohaniym) “priests” Green, CEB, CEV, EXB, JUB, etc; “chief ministers” NKJV; “ministers” YLT