

Vaychi: Haftarah

[1 Kings]

(2)1: Now the days of David drew near that he should die; and he charged Shelomo his son, saying,

2: I am going the way of all the earth: be you strong therefore, and show yourself a man; 3: and keep the charge of the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, to keep His statutes, and His commandments, and His ordinances, and His testimonies, according to that which is written in the law of Moshe, that you may prosper

in all that you do, and wherever you turn yourself.

4: That the LORD may establish His word which he spoke concerning me, saying,

If your children take heed to their way, to walk before Me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul, there shall not fail you (said He) a man on the throne of Yisrael.

5: Moreover you know also what Yoav the son of Tzeruyah did to me, even what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Yisrael, to Avner the son of Ner, and to Amasa the son of Yeter, whom he killed,

and shed the blood of war in peace, and put the blood of war

on his sash that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his feet.

6: Do therefore according to your wisdom, and don't let his hoary head go down to Sheol in peace. 7: But show kindness to the sons of Barzillai the Giladite, and let them be of those who eat at your table; for so they came to me

when I fled from Avshalom your brother. 8: Behold, there is with you Shimi the son of Gera, the Binyaminite, of Bachurim, who cursed me with a grievous curse

in the day when I went to Machanayim; but he came down to meet me at the Yarden, and I swore to him by the LORD, saying, I will not put you to death with the sword. 9: Now therefore don't hold him guiltless, for you are a wise man; and you will know what you ought to do to him, and you shall bring his hoary head down to Sheol with blood.

וַיִּקְרְבוּ יְמֵי־דָוִד לָמוּת וַיִּצַו אֶת־שְׁלֹמֹה בְּנוֹ לֵאמֹר׃
אֲנֹכִי הֵלֶךְ בְּדַרְךְ כָּל־הָאָרֶץ וְחֻזְקָתִי וְהִיִּיתִי לְאִישׁ׃³ וְשָׁמַרְתָּ
אֶת־מִשְׁמַרְתִּי | יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לֵלְכֹת בְּדַרְכָּיו לְשֹׁמֵר חֻקֹּתָיו
מִצְוֹתָיו וּמִשְׁפָּטָיו וְעֵדוּתָיו כַּכְּתוּב בְּתוֹרַת מֹשֶׁה לְמַעַן
תִּשְׁכִּיל אֵת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר תַּעֲשֶׂה וְאֵת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר תִּפְנֶה שֵׁם׃
לְמַעַן יִקִּים יְהוָה אֶת־דְּבָרוֹ אֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר עָלַי לֵאמֹר׃
אִם־יִשְׁמְרוּ בְנֵיךָ אֶת־דִּרְכֹּכִי לֵלְכֹת לְפָנַי בְּאֵמֶת בְּכָל־לְבָבָם
וּבְכָל־נַפְשָׁם לֵאמֹר לֹא־יִכָּרֵת לְךָ אִישׁ מֵעַל כִּסֵּא יִשְׂרָאֵל׃
וְגַם אַתָּה יָדַעְתָּ אֵת אֲשֶׁר־עָשָׂה לִי יוֹאָב בֶּן־צְרוּיָה אֲשֶׁר
עָשָׂה לְשְׁנֵי־שָׂרֵי צְבָאוֹת יִשְׂרָאֵל לְאַבְנֵר בֶּן־נֵר וְלַעֲמָשָׂא
בֶּן־יֵתֵר וַיַּהַרְגֵם וַיִּשֶׁם דְּמֵי־מִלְחָמָה בְּשָׁלֹם וַיִּתֵּן דְּמֵי
מִלְחָמָה בַּחֲגֹרְתוֹ אֲשֶׁר בְּמַתְּנָיו וּבִנְעָלוֹ אֲשֶׁר בְּרַגְלָיו׃
וְעָשִׂיתָ כַּחֲכַמְתָּךְ וְלֹא־תוֹרַד שְׁיִבְתוּ בְּשָׁלֹם שְׂאֵל׃⁷ וּלְבָנַי
בְּרוּזַי הַגִּלְעָדִי תַעֲשֶׂה־חֶסֶד וְהָיוּ בְּאֹכְלֵי שֶׁלְחַנְךָ כִּי־כֹן
קָרְבוּ אֵלַי בְּבָרְחִי מִפְּנֵי אַבְשָׁלוֹם אַחִיךָ׃⁸ וְהִנֵּה עִמָּךְ שִׁמִּיעִי
בֶּן־גֵּרָא בֶּן־הִימִינִי מִבְּחָרִים וְהוּא קָלְלָנִי קָלְלָה נְמֻרָצָת
בְּיוֹם לְכֹתִי מִחַנָּים וְהוּא־יֵרַד לְקָרְאֵתִי הֵירְדֹן וְאֶשְׁבַּע לוֹ
בַּיהוָה לֵאמֹר אִם־אֶמִּיתְךָ בַּחֶרֶב׃⁹ וְעַתָּה אַל־תִּנְקְהוּ כִּי
אִישׁ חָכָם אַתָּה וַיִּדְעַתָּ אֵת אֲשֶׁר תַּעֲשֶׂה־לוֹ וְהוֹרַדְתָּ

10: David slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David.

11: The days that David reigned over Yisrael were forty years;

seven years reigned he in Chevron, and thirty-three years reigned he in Yerushalayim.

12: Shelomo sat on the throne of David his father; and his kingdom was established greatly.

אֶת־שֵׁיבַתּוֹ בְּדָם שְׂאוֹל׃¹⁰ וַיִּשְׁכַּב דָּוִד עִם־אֲבֹתָיו וַיִּקְבְּרוּ
בְּעִיר דָּוִד׃¹¹ וְהַיָּמִים אֲשֶׁר מָלַךְ דָּוִד עַל־יִשְׂרָאֵל אַרְבָּעִים
שָׁנָה בְּחֶבְרוֹן מָלַךְ שִׁבְעַת שָׁנִים וּבִירוּשָׁלַם מָלַךְ שְׁלֹשִׁים
וְשָׁלֹשׁ שָׁנִים׃¹² וַיֹּשְׁלֵמָה יָשָׁב עַל־כִּסֵּא דָּוִד אָבִיו וַתִּכֶן
מַלְכוּתוֹ מְאֹד׃