[1] مَلَكَ حَزَقِيَّا وَهُوَ ابْنُ خَمْسٍ وَعِشْرِينَ سَنَةً، وَمَلَكَ تِسْعاً
وَعِشْرِينَ سَنَةً فِي أُورُشَلِيمَ، وَاسْمُ أُمِّهِ أَبِيَّةُ بِنْتُ
زَكَرِيَّا.[2] وَعَمِلَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ فِي عَيْنَيِ الرَّبِّ حَسَبَ كُلِّ مَا
عَمِلَ دَاوُدُ أَبُوهُ.[3] هُوَ فِي السَّنَةِ الأُولَى مِنْ مُلْكِهِ فِي
الشَّهْرِ الأَوَّلِ فَتَحَ أَبْوَابَ بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ وَرَمَّمَهَا.[4] وَأَدْخَلَ
الْكَهَنَةَ وَاللاَّوِيِّينَ وَجَمَعَهُمْ إِلَى السَّاحَةِ الشَّرْقِيَّةِ[5] وَقَالَ
لَهُمُ، اسْمَعُوا لِي أَيُّهَا اللاَّوِيُّونَ، تَقَدَّسُوا الآنَ وَقَدِّسُوا
بَيْتَ الرَّبِّ إِلَهِ آبَائِكُمْ وَأَخْرِجُوا النَّجَاسَةَ مِنَ الْقُدْسِ،[6] لأَنَّ
آبَاءَنَا خَانُوا وَعَمِلُوا الشَّرَّ فِي عَيْنَيِ الرَّبِّ إِلهِنَا وَتَرَكُوهُ،
وَحَوَّلُوا وُجُوهَهُمْ عَنْ مَسْكَنِ الرَّبِّ وَأَعْطُوا قَفاً[7] وَأَغْلَقُوا
أَيْضاً أَبْوَابَ الرِّوَاقِ وَأَطْفَأُوا السُّرُجَ وَلَمْ يُوقِدُوا بَخُوراً
وَلَمْ يُصْعِدُوا مُحْرَقَةً فِي الْقُدْسِ لإِلَهِ إِسْرَائِيلَ.[8] فَكَانَ
غَضَبُ الرَّبِّ عَلَى يَهُوذَا وَأُورُشَلِيمَ، وَأَسْلَمَهُمْ لِلْقَلَقِ
وَالدَّهْشِ وَالصَّفِيرِ كَمَا أَنْتُمْ رَاؤُونَ بِأَعْيُنِكُمْ.[9] وَهُوَذَا قَدْ
سَقَطَ آبَاؤُنَا بِالسَّيْفِ وَبَنُونَا وَبَنَاتُنَا وَنِسَاؤُنَا فِي السَّبْيِ
لأَجْلِ هَذَا.[10] فَالآنَ فِي قَلْبِي أَنْ أَقْطَعَ عَهْداً مَعَ الرَّبِّ إِلَهِ
إِسْرَائِيلَ فَيَرُدُّ عَنَّا حُمُوَّ غَضَبِهِ.[11] يَا بَنِيَّ لاَ تَضِلُّوا الآنَ لأَنَّ
الرَّبَّ اخْتَارَكُمْ لِتَقِفُوا أَمَامَهُ وَتَخْدِمُوهُ وَتَكُونُوا خَادِمِينَ
وَمُوقِدِينَ لَهُ.[12] فَقَامَ اللاَّوِيُّونَ مَحَثُ بْنُ عَمَاسَايَ وَيُوئِيلُ
بْنُ عَزَرْيَا مِنْ بَنِي الْقَهَاتِيِّينَ، وَمِنْ بَنِي مَرَارِي قَيْسُ بْنُ
عَبْدِي وَعَزَرْيَا بْنُ يَهَلَّلْئِيلَ، وَمِنَ الْجَرْشُونِيِّينَ يُوآخُ بْنُ
زِمَّةَ وَعِيدَنُ بْنُ يُوآخَ،[13] وَمِنْ بَنِي أَلِيصَافَانَ شِمْرِي
وَيَعِيئِيلُ، وَمِنْ بَنِي آسَافَ زَكَرِيَّا وَمَتَّنْيَا،[14] وَمِنْ بَنِي
هَيْمَانَ يَحِيئِيلُ وَشَمْعِي، وَمِنْ بَنِي يَدُوثُونَ شَمَعْيَا
وَعُزِّيئِيلُ.[15] وَجَمَعُوا إِخْوَتَهُمْ وَتَقَدَّسُوا وَأَتَوْا حَسَبَ أَمْرِ
الْمَلِكِ بِكَلاَمِ الرَّبِّ لِيُطَهِّرُوا بَيْتَ الرَّبِّ.[16] وَدَخَلَ الْكَهَنَةُ
إِلَى دَاخِلِ بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ لِيُطَهِّرُوهُ، وَأَخْرَجُوا كُلَّ النَّجَاسَةِ
الَّتِي وَجَدُوهَا فِي هَيْكَلِ الرَّبِّ إِلَى دَارِ بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ،
وَتَنَاوَلَهَا اللاَّوِيُّونَ لِيُخْرِجُوهَا إِلَى الْخَارِجِ إِلَى وَادِي
قَدْرُونَ.[17] وَشَرَعُوا فِي التَّقْدِيسِ فِي أَوَّلِ الشَّهْرِ الأَوَّلِ.
وَفِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّامِنِ مِنَ الشَّهْرِ انْتَهُوا إِلَى رِوَاقِ الرَّبِّ
وَقَدَّسُوا بَيْتَ الرَّبِّ فِي ثَمَانِيَةِ أَيَّامٍ، وَفِي الْيَوْمِ السَّادِسَ
عَشَرَ مِنَ الشَّهْرِ الأَوَّلِ انْتَهُوا.[18] وَدَخَلُوا إِلَى دَاخِلٍ إِلَى
حَزَقِيَّا الْمَلِكِ وَقَالُوا، قَدْ طَهَّرْنَا كُلَّ بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ وَمَذْبَحَ
الْمُحْرَقَةِ وَكُلَّ آنِيَتِهِ وَمَائِدَةَ خُبْزِ الْوُجُوهِ وَكُلَّ
آنِيَتِهَا.[19] وَجَمِيعُ الآنِيَةِ الَّتِي طَرَحَهَا الْمَلِكُ آحَازُ فِي مُلْكِهِ
بِخِيَانَتِهِ قَدْ هَيَّأْنَاهَا وَقَدَّسْنَاهَا، وَهَا هِيَ أَمَامَ مَذْبَحِ
الرَّبِّ.[20] وَبَكَّرَ حَزَقِيَّا الْمَلِكُ وَجَمَعَ رُؤَسَاءَ الْمَدِينَةِ وَصَعِدَ

[1] Hezekiah began to reign when he was five
and twenty years old, and he reigned nine
and twenty years in Jerusalem. And his
mother's name was Abijah, the daughter of
Zechariah.[2] And he did that which was
right in the sight of the LORD, according
to all that David his father had done.[3] He in
the first year of his reign, in the first
month, opened the doors of the house of
the LORD, and repaired them.[4] And he
brought in the priests and the Levites, and
gathered them together into the east
street,[5] And said unto them, Hear me, ye
Levites, sanctify now yourselves, and
sanctify the house of the LORD God of
your fathers, and carry forth the filthiness
out of the holy place .[6] For our fathers have
trespassed, and done that which was evil
in the eyes of the LORD our God, and have
forsaken him, and have turned away their
faces from the habitation of the LORD, and
turned their backs.[7] Also they have shut up
the doors of the porch, and put out the
lamps, and have not burned incense nor
offered burnt offerings in the holy place
unto the God of Israel.[8] Wherefore the
wrath of the LORD was upon Judah and
Jerusalem, and he hath delivered them to
trouble, to astonishment, and to hissing, as
ye see with your eyes.[9] For, lo, our fathers
have fallen by the sword, and our sons and
our daughters and our wives are in
captivity for this.[10] Now it is in mine heart
to make a covenant with the LORD God of
Israel, that his fierce wrath may turn away
from us.[11] My sons, be not now negligent:
for the LORD hath chosen you to stand
before him, to serve him, and that ye
should minister unto him, and burn

إِلَى بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ.[21]فَأَتَوْا بِسَبْعَةِ ثِيرَانٍ وَسَبْعَةِ كِبَاشٍ
وَسَبْعَةِ خِرْفَانٍ وَسَبْعَةِ تُيُوسِ مِعْزىً ذَبِيحَةَ خَطِيَّةٍ عَنِ
الْمَمْلَكَةِ وَعَنِ الْمَقْدِسِ وَعَنْ يَهُوذَا. وَقَالَ لِبَنِي هَارُونَ
الْكَهَنَةِ أَنْ يُصْعِدُوهَا عَلَى مَذْبَحِ الرَّبِّ.[22]فَذَبَحُوا الثِّيرَانَ،
وَتَنَاوَلَ الْكَهَنَةُ الدَّمَ وَرَشُّوهُ عَلَى الْمَذْبَحِ، ثُمَّ ذَبَحُوا
الْكِبَاشَ وَرَشُّوا الدَّمَ عَلَى الْمَذْبَحِ، ثُمَّ ذَبَحُوا الْخِرْفَانَ
وَرَشُّوا الدَّمَ عَلَى الْمَذْبَحِ.[23]ثُمَّ تَقَدَّمُوا بِتُيُوسِ ذَبِيحَةِ
الْخَطِيَّةِ أَمَامَ الْمَلِكِ وَالْجَمَاعَةِ، وَوَضَعُوا أَيْدِيَهُمْ
عَلَيْهَا،[24]وَذَبَحَهَا الْكَهَنَةُ وَكَفَّرُوا بِدَمِهَا عَلَى الْمَذْبَحِ تَكْفِيراً
عَنْ جَمِيعِ إِسْرَائِيلَ، لأَنَّ الْمَلِكَ قَالَ إِنَّ الْمُحْرَقَةَ وَذَبِيحَةَ
الْخَطِيَّةِ هُمَا عَنْ كُلِّ إِسْرَائِيلَ.[25]وَأَوْقَفَ اللاَّوِيِّينَ فِي
بَيْتِ الرَّبِّ بِصُنُوجٍ وَرَبَابٍ وَعِيدَانٍ حَسَبَ أَمْرِ دَاوُدَ وَجَادَ
رَائِي الْمَلِكِ وَنَاثَانَ النَّبِيِّ، لأَنَّ مِنْ قِبَلِ الرَّبِّ الْوَصِيَّةَ
عَنْ يَدِ أَنْبِيَائِهِ.[26]فَوَقَفَ اللاَّوِيُّونَ بِآلاَتِ دَاوُدَ، وَالْكَهَنَةُ
بِالأَبْوَاقِ.[27]وَأَمَرَ حَزَقِيَّا بِإِصْعَادِ الْمُحْرَقَةِ عَلَى الْمَذْبَحِ.
وَعِنْدَ ابْتِدَاءِ الْمُحْرَقَةِ ابْتَدَأَ نَشِيدُ الرَّبِّ وَالأَبْوَاقُ بِوَاسِطَةِ
آلاَتِ دَاوُدَ مَلِكِ إِسْرَائِيلَ.[28]وَكَانَ كُلُّ الْجَمَاعَةِ يَسْجُدُونَ
وَالْمُغَنُّونَ يُغَنُّونَ وَالْمُبَوِّقُونَ يُبَوِّقُونَ. الْجَمِيعُ، إِلَى أَنِ
انْتَهَتِ الْمُحْرَقَةُ.[29]وَعِنْدَ انْتِهَاءِ الْمُحْرَقَةِ خَرَّ الْمَلِكُ وَكُلُّ
الْمَوْجُودِينَ مَعَهُ وَسَجَدُوا.[30]وَقَالَ حَزَقِيَّا الْمَلِكُ
وَالرُّؤَسَاءُ لِلاَّوِيِّينَ أَنْ يُسَبِّحُوا الرَّبَّ بِكَلاَمِ دَاوُدَ وَآسَافَ
الرَّائِي، فَسَبَّحُوا بِابْتِهَاجٍ وَخَرُّوا وَسَجَدُوا.[31]ثُمَّ قَالَ
حَزَقِيَّا، الآنَ مَلأْتُمْ أَيْدِيَكُمْ لِلرَّبِّ. تَقَدَّمُوا وَأْتُوا بِذَبَائِحَ
وَقَرَابِينِ شُكْرٍ لِبَيْتِ الرَّبِّ. فَأَتَتِ الْجَمَاعَةُ بِذَبَائِحِ
وَقَرَابِينِ شُكْرٍ، وَكُلُّ سَمُوحِ الْقَلْبِ أَتَى
بِمُحْرَقَاتٍ.[32]وَكَانَ عَدَدُ الْمُحْرَقَاتِ الَّتِي أَتَى بِهَا الْجَمَاعَةُ
سَبْعِينَ ثَوْراً وَمِئَةَ كَبْشٍ وَمِئَتَيْ خَرُوفٍ. كُلُّ هَذِهِ مُحْرَقَةٌ
لِلرَّبِّ.[33]وَالأُقْدَاسُ سِتُّ مِئَةٍ مِنَ الْبَقَرِ وَثَلاَثَةُ آلاَفٍ مِنَ
الضَّأْنِ.[34]إِلاَّ إِنَّ الْكَهَنَةَ كَانُوا قَلِيلِينَ فَلَمْ يَقْدِرُوا أَنْ
يَسْلُخُوا كُلَّ الْمُحْرَقَاتِ، فَسَاعَدَهُمْ إِخْوَتُهُمُ اللاَّوِيُّونَ
حَتَّى كَمَلَ الْعَمَلُ وَحَتَّى تَقَدَّسَ الْكَهَنَةُ. لأَنَّ اللاَّوِيِّينَ
كَانُوا أَكْثَرَ اسْتِقَامَةَ قَلْبٍ مِنَ الْكَهَنَةِ فِي
التَّقَدُّسِ.[35]وَأَيْضاً كَانَتِ الْمُحْرَقَاتُ كَثِيرَةً بِشَحْمِ ذَبَائِحِ
السَّلاَمَةِ وَسَكَائِبِ الْمُحْرَقَاتِ. فَاسْتَقَامَتْ خِدْمَةُ بَيْتِ
الرَّبِّ.[36]وَفَرِحَ حَزَقِيَّا وَكُلُّ الشَّعْبِ مِنْ أَجْلِ أَنَّ اللَّهَ أَعَدَّ
الشَّعْبَ، لأَنَّ الأَمْرَ كَانَ بَغْتَةً.

incense.[12]Then the Levites arose, Mahath
the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of
Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites: and
of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi,
and Azariah the son of Jehalelel: and of the
Gershonites; Joah the son of Zimmah, and
Eden the son of Joah:[13]And of the sons of
Elizaphan; Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the
sons of Asaph; Zechariah, and
Mattaniah:[14]And of the sons of Heman;
Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of
Jeduthun; Shemaiah, and Uzziel.[15]And they
gathered their brethren, and sanctified
themselves, and came, according to the
commandment of the king, by the words of
the LORD, to cleanse the house of the
LORD.[16]And the priests went into the inner
part of the house of the LORD, to cleanse
it , and brought out all the uncleanness
that they found in the temple of the LORD
into the court of the house of the LORD.
And the Levites took it , to carry it out
abroad into the brook Kidron.[17]Now they
began on the first day of the first month to
sanctify, and on the eighth day of the
month came they to the porch of the
LORD: so they sanctified the house of the
LORD in eight days; and in the sixteenth
day of the first month they made an
end.[18]Then they went in to Hezekiah the
king, and said, We have cleansed all the
house of the LORD, and the altar of burnt
offering, with all the vessels thereof, and
the shewbread table, with all the vessels
thereof.[19]Moreover all the vessels, which
king Ahaz in his reign did cast away in his
transgression, have we prepared and
sanctified, and, behold, they are before the
altar of the LORD.[20]Then Hezekiah the

king rose early, and gathered the rulers of the city, and went up to the house of the LORD.[21]And they brought seven bullocks, and seven rams, and seven lambs, and seven he goats, for a sin offering for the kingdom, and for the sanctuary, and for Judah. And he commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer them on the altar of the LORD.[22]So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood, and sprinkled it on the altar: likewise, when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the lambs, and they sprinkled the blood upon the altar.[23]And they brought forth the he goats for the sin offering before the king and the congregation; and they laid their hands upon them:[24]And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, to make an atonement for all Israel: for the king commanded that the burnt offering and the sin offering should be made for all Israel.[25]And he set the Levites in the house of the LORD with cymbals, with psalteries, and with harps, according to the commandment of David, and of Gad the king's seer, and Nathan the prophet: for so was the commandment of the LORD by his prophets.[26]And the Levites stood with the instruments of David, and the priests with the trumpets.[27]And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And when the burnt offering began, the song of the LORD began also with the trumpets, and with the instruments ordained by David king of Israel.[28]And all the congregation worshipped, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded:

and all this continued until the burnt offering was finished.[29]And when they had made an end of offering, the king and all that were present with him bowed themselves, and worshipped.[30]Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they sang praises with gladness, and they bowed their heads and worshipped.[31]Then Hezekiah answered and said, Now ye have consecrated yourselves unto the LORD, come near and bring sacrifices and thank offerings into the house of the LORD. And the congregation brought in sacrifices and thank offerings; and as many as were of a free heart burnt offerings.[32]And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation brought, was threescore and ten bullocks, an hundred rams, and two hundred lambs: all these were for a burnt offering to the LORD.[33]And the consecrated things were six hundred oxen and three thousand sheep.[34]But the priests were too few, so that they could not flay all the burnt offerings: wherefore their brethren the Levites did help them, till the work was ended, and until the other priests had sanctified themselves: for the Levites were more upright in heart to sanctify themselves than the priests.[35]And also the burnt offerings were in abundance, with the fat of the peace offerings, and the drink offerings for every burnt offering. So the service of the house of the LORD was set in order.[36]And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the thing was done suddenly.

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