وَعَمِلَ يُوشِيًّا فِي أُورُشَلِيمَ فِصْحاً لِلرَّبِّ، وَذَبَحُوا الْفِصْحَ فِي الرَّابِعَ عَشَرَ مِنَ الشَّهْرِ الأَوَّلِ. ُوَأَقَامَ الْكَهَنَةَ عَلَى حِرَاسَاتِهِمْ وَشَدَّدَهُمْ لِحِدْمَةً بَيْتَ الرَّبِّ. وَقَالَ لِلأَّويِّينَ الَّذِينَ كَأَنُوا يُعَلِّمُونَ كُلَّ إِسْرَائِيلَ، الَّذِينَ كَانُوا مُقَدَّسِينَ للرَّبِّ، احْعَلُوا تَابُوتَ الْقُدْسِ فِي الْبَسْتِ الَّذِي بَنَاهُ سُلَيْمَانُ بْنُ دَاوُدَ مَلِكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ. لَيْسَ لَكُمْ أَنْ تَحْمِلُوا عَلَى الأَكْتَافِ. الآنَ اخَـدِمُوا الـرَّبُّ إِلَهَكُـمْ وَشَعْبَـهُ إِسْرَائِيلَ. 4 وَأَعِدُّوا بُيُوتَ آبَائِكُمْ حَسَبَ فَرَقَكُمْ، حَسَبَ كَتَابَة دَاوُدَ مَلَكُ إِسْرَائِيلَ، وَحَسَبَ كَتَابَة سُلَيْمَانَ ابْنِهِ. 5َوَقِفُوا فِي الْقُدْسِ حَسَبَ أَقْسَام بُيُوتِ آبَاءِ إِخْوَتِكُمْ يَنِي الشُّعْبِ وَفِرَقَ بُنُوتِ آبَاءِ اللَّوِّيِّينَ، ۚ وَاذْبَحُوا ٱلْفصْحَ وَتَقَدَّسُوا وَأُعِدُّوا إَخْوَتَكُمْ لِيَعْمَلُوا حَسَبَ كَلاَم الرَّبِّ عَنْ يَدِ مُوسَى. وَأَعْطَى يُوشِيًّا لِبَنِي الشَّعْبِ غَنَماً، َ حُمْلاَناً وَجِدَاءً، جَمِيعَ ذَلِكَ لِلْفصْحِ لِكُلِّ الْمَوْجُودِينَ إِلَى عَدَدِ تَلاَثِينَ أَلْفاً وَثَلاَثَةِ آلاَفٍ مِنَ الْبَقَرِ. هَذِهِ مِنْ مَال الْمَلِكَ. 7َوَرُ ؤَسَاؤُهُ قَدَّمُوا تَبَرُّعاً لِلشَّعْبِ وَالْكَهَنَةِ وَاللَّاوِيِّينَ حِلْقِيًّا وَزَكَرِيًّا وَيَحْيِئِيلَ رُؤَسَاءِ بَيْتِ اللَّهِ. أَعْطُوا الْكُهَنَةَ لِلْفِصْحِ أَلْفَيْنِ وَسِتَّ مِئَةٍ مِنَ الْغَنَمِ، وَمِنَ الْبَقَرِ ثَلاَثَ مئَة. 8 َ كُونَنْيَا ۗ وَشَمَعْيَا ۚ وَنَّنْئِيلُ أَخَوَاهُ ۗ وَحَشَيْبًا وَيَعِيلُ وَيُوزَابَادُ رُؤَسَاءُ اللَّاوِيِّينَ قَدَّمُوا لِللَّوِيِّينَ لِلْفِصْحِ خَمْسَةَ آلاَف، مِنَ الْغَنَمِ وَمِنَ الْبَقَرِ خَمْسَ مِئَةٍ. ۖ فَتَهَيَّأُتِ الْخِدْمَةُ، وَقَامَ الْكَهَنَةُ فِي مَقَامِهِمْ وَاللَّاوِيُّونَ فِي فِرَقِهِمْ حَسَبَ أَمْرِ الْمَلكِ، 10 وَذَبَحُوا الْفِصْحَ. وَرَشَّ الْكَهَنَةُ مِنْ أَيْدِيهِمْ. وَأُمَّـا اللَّاويُّـونَ فَكَانُوا يَسْـلُخُونَ. 11وَرَفَعُـوا الْمُحْرَقَـةَ ُلِيُعْطُوا حَسَبَ أَقْسَام بُيُوتِ الآبَاءِ لِبَنِي الشَّعْبِ لِيُقَرِّبُوا لِلرَّبِّ كَمَا هُوَ مَكْثُوبٌ في سِفْرٍ مُوسَى. وَهَكَذَا بِالْبَقَرِ.12وَشَوَوْا الْفِصْحَ بِالنَّارِ كَالْمَرْسُومِ. وَأُمَّا الأَقْدَاسُ فَطَبَخُوهَا فِي الْقُدُورِ وَالْمَرَاجِلِ وَالصِّحَافِ وَبَادَرُوا بِهَا إِلَى جَمِيع بَنِي الشَّعْبِ. 13وَبَعْدُ أَعَدُّوا لأَنْفُسِهِمْ وَلِلْكَهَنَةِ، لأنَّ الْكَهَنَةَ بَنِي هَارُونَ كَانُوا عَلَى إصْعَادِ الْمُحْرَقَةِ وَالشَّحْمِ إِلَى اللَّيْلِ. فَأَعَدَّ اللَّويُّونَ لَأَنْفُسِهِمْ وَلِلْكَهَنَةِ بَنِي هَارُونَ.14وَالْمُغَنُّونَ بَنُو آسَافَ كَانُوا فِي مَقَامِهِمْ حَسَبَ أَمْرِ دَاوُدَ وَآسَافَ وَهَيْمَانَ وَيَدُوثُونَ رَائِي الْمَلِكَ. وَالْبَوَّابُونَ عَلَى بَابِ فَبَابِ لَمْ يَكُنْ لَهُمْ أَنْ يَحِيدُوا عَنْ خِدْمَتِهِمْ، لأنَّ إِخْوَتَهُمُ الَلاَّوِيِّينَ أَعَدُّوا لَهُمْ.¹¹فَتَهَيَّأُ كُلُّ خَدَمَـةَ الرَّبِّ فِي ذَلكَ الْيَـوْمِ لعَمَـلِ الْفصْحِ وَإِصْعَادِ الْمُحْرَقَاتِ عَلَى مَذْبَحِ الرَّبِّ حَسَبَ أَمْـرِ الْمَلِكِ يُوشِيًّا ¹⁶َوَعَمِلَ بَنُو إِسْرَائِيلَ الْمَوْجُودُونَ الْفِصْحَ فِي ذَلكَ الْوَقْتِ وَعِيدَ الْفَطِيرِ سَبْعَةَ أَيَّامٍ.17وَلَمْ يُعْمَلْ فِصْحٌ مِثْلُهُ

¹Moreover Josiah kept a passover unto the LORD in Jerusalem: and they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month. And he set the priests in their charges, and encouraged them to the service of the house of the LORD, And said unto the Levites that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD, Put the holy ark in the house which Solomon the son of David king of Israel did build; it shall not be a burden upon your shoulders: serve now the LORD your God, and his people Israel, And prepare vourselves by the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to the writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of Solomon his son. And stand in the holy place according to the divisions of the families of the fathers of your brethren the people, and after the division of the families of the Levites. So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that they may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses. And Josiah gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these were of the king's substance. And his princes gave willingly unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites: Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two thousand and six hundred small cattle , and three hundred oxen. Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, gave unto the

Levites for passover offerings five thousand small cattle, and five hundred oxen. 10 So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's commandment. 11 And they killed the passover, and the priests sprinkled the blood from their hands, and the Levites flayed them. 12 And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions of the families of the people, to offer unto the LORD, as it is written in the book of Moses. And so did they with the oxen. ¹³ And they roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance: but the other holy offerings sod they in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and divided them speedily among all the people. ¹⁴ And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the priests: because the priests the sons of Aaron were busied in offering of burnt offerings and the fat until night; therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron. ¹⁵ And the singers the sons of Asaph were in their place, according to the commandment of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters waited at every gate; they might not depart from their service: for their brethren the Levites prepared for them. 16 So all the service of the LORD was prepared the same day, to keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah. 17 And the children of Israel that were present kept the passover at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread

فِي إِسْرَائِيلَ مِنْ أَيَّام صَمُوئِيلَ النَّبيِّ. وَكُلَّ مُلُوك إِسْرَائِيلَ لَمْ يَغْمَلُوا كَالْفَصْحِ الَّذِي عَملَهُ يُوشيًّا وَالْكَهَنَّةُ ِ وَاللَّاوِيُّونَ وَكُلُّ يَهُوذَا وَإِشْرَائِيلَ الْمَوْجُودِينَ وَسُكَّانِ - وَاللَّاوِيُّونَ وَكُلُّ يَهُوذَا وَإِشْرَائِيلَ الْمَوْجُودِينَ وَسُكَّانِ أُورُ شَلِيمَ. ¹⁸في السَّنَة الثَّامِنَةَ عَشَرَةَ لِمُلْكُ يُوشيَّا عُمِلَ هَذَا الْفصْحُ. ¹⁹بَعْدَ كُلِّ هَذَا حِينَ هَيَّأُ يُوشيًّا الْبَيْتَ، صَعِدَ نَخُو مَلِكُ مِصْرَ إِلَى كَرْكَمِيشَ لِيُحَارِبَ عِنْدَ الْفُرَاتِ. فَخَرَجَ بُوشِيًّا لِلقَائِهِ.²⁰فَأَرْسَلَ إِلَيْهِ رُسُلاً يَقُولُ، مَا لِي وَلَكَ يَا مَلِكَ يَهُوذَا. لَسْتُ عَلَيْكَ أَنْتَ الْيَوْمَ، وَلَكِنْ عَلَى بَيْتِ آخَرَ أَخَارِيُهُ، وَاللَّهُ أَمَرَ بِإِسْرَاعِي. فَكُفَّ عَنِ اللَّهِ الَّذِي مَعِي فَلاَ يُهْلِكَكَ. 21 وَلَمْ يُحَوِّلْ يُوشِيًّا وَحْهَهُ عَنْهُ يَلْ تَنَكَّرَ لِمُقَاتَلَتِهِ، وَلَمْ يَسْمَعْ لِكَلاَم نَخُو مِنْ فَمِ اللَّهِ بَلْ جَاءَ لِيُحَارِبَ فِي بُقْعَةِ مَجدُّو.²²َوَأَصَابَ الرُّمَاةُ الْمَلِكَ يُوشِيَّا، فَقَالَ الْمَلكُ لِعَسده، انْقُلُونِي لأَنِّي حُرِحْتُ حِدَّاً.²³فَنَقَلَهُ عَبِيدُهُ مِنَ الْمَرْكَبَةِ وَأَرْكَبُوهُ عَلَى الْمَرْكَبَةِ الثَّانِيَةِ الَّتِي لَّهُ، وَسَارُوا بِهِ إِلَى أُورُشَلِيمَ فَمَاتَ وَدُفِنَ فِي قُبُورٍ آبَائِهِ. وَكَانَ كُلِّ يَهُـوذَا وَأُورُشَلِيـمَ يَنُوحُـونَ عَلَـي يُوشيَّاً.24وَرَثَى إِرْمِيَا يُوشيَّا. وَكَانَ جَمِيعُ الْمُغَنِّينَ وَالْمُغَنِّيَاتِ يَنْـدُبُونَ يُوشِيًّا فِي مَرَاثِيهِـمْ إِلَى الْيَـوْم، وَجَعَلُوهَا فَرِيضَةً عَلَى إِسْرَائِيلَ. وَهَا هَيَ مَكْتُوبَةٌ فِي الْمَرَاثِي. 25وَبَقِيَّـةُ أُمُـور يُوشِيَّا وَمَرَاحِمُـهُ حَسْبَمَا هُـوَ مَكْتُوبٌ فِي نَامُوسِ الرَّابِّ.²⁶َوَامُورُهُ الأُولَى وَالأَخِيرَةُ مَكْتُوبَةٌ فِي سِفْر مُلُوكِ إِسْرَائِيلَ وَيَهُوذَا.

seven days. 18 And there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Ierusalem. 19 In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover kept.²⁰After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple, Necho king of Egypt came up to fight against Carchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him. ²¹But he sent ambassadors to him. saving. What have I to do with thee, thou king of Judah? I come not against thee this day, but against the house wherewith I have war: for God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee from meddling with God, who is with me, that he destroy thee not.²²Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight in the valley of Megiddo. ²³ And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away; for I am sore wounded.²⁴His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had; and they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died, and was buried in one of the sepulchres of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah. 25 And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the singing men and the singing women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel:

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and, behold, they are written in the lamentations. How the rest of the acts of Josiah, and his goodness, according to that which was written in the law of the LORD, And his deeds, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of the kings of Israel and Judah.