MAY 1 Read 1 Chronicles 7–8

CHAPTER 7

NOW the sons of Issachar *were*, Tola, and Puah, Jashub, and Shimron, four.

2 And the sons of Tola; Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel, and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house, *to wit*, of Tola: *they were* valiant men of might in their generations; whose number *was* in the days of David two and twenty thousand and six hundred.

3 And the sons of Uzzi; Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael, and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.

4 And with them, by their generations, after the house of their fathers, *were* bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand *men*: for they had many wives and sons.

5 And their brethren among all the families of Issachar *were* valiant men of might, reckoned in all by their genealogies fourscore and seven thousand.

6 ¶ *The sons* of Benjamin; Bela, and Becher, and Jediael, three.

7 And the sons of Bela; Ezbon,

and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth, and Iri, five; heads of the house of *their* fathers, mighty men of valour; and were reckoned by their genealogies twenty and two thousand and thirty and four.

8 And the sons of Becher; Zemira, and Joash, and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth. All these *are* the sons of Becher.

9 And the number of them, after their genealogy by their generations, heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *was* twenty thousand and two hundred.

10 The sons also of Jediael; Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar.

11 All these the sons of Jediael, by the heads of their fathers, mighty men of valour, *were* seventeen thousand and two hundred *soldiers*, fit to go out for war *and* battle.

12 Shuppim also, and Huppim,

the children of Ir, *and* Hushim, the sons of Aher.

13 ¶ The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah.

14 ¶ The sons of Manasseh; Ashriel, whom she bare: (*but* his concubine the Aramitess bare Machir the father of Gilead:

15 And Machir took to wife *the sister* of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name *was* Maachah;) and the name of the second *was* Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.

16 And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name of his brother *was* Sheresh; and his sons *were* Ulam and Rakem.

17 And the sons of Ulam; Bedan. These *were* the sons of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh.

18 And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and Mahalah.

19 And the sons of Shemida were, Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam.

20 ¶ And the sons of Ephraim; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath his son,

21 ¶ And Zabad his son, and

Shuthelah his son, and Ezer, and Elead, whom the men of Gath *that were* born in *that* land slew, because they came down to take away their cattle.

22 And Ephraim their father mourned many days, and his brethren came to comfort him.

23 ¶ And when he went in to his wife, she conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name Beriah, because it went evil with his house.

24 (And his daughter *was* Sherah, who built Bethhoron the nether, and the upper, and Uzzensherah.)

25 And Rephah *was* his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son,

26 Laadan his son, Ammihud his son, Elishama his son,

27 Non his son, Jehoshua his son.

28 ¶ And their possessions and habitations *were*, Bethel and the towns thereof, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the towns thereof; Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto Gaza and the towns thereof:

29 And by the borders of the children of Manasseh, Bethshean and her towns, Taanach and her towns, Megiddo and her towns, Dor and her towns. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the son of Israel.

30 ¶ The sons of Asher; Imnah, and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah, and Serah their sister.

31 And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who *is* the father of Birzavith.

32 And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.

33 And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These *are* the children of Japhlet.

34 And the sons of Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram.

35 And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.

36 The sons of Zophah; Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,

37 Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera.

38 And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara.

39 And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and Haniel, and Rezia.

40 All these *were* the children of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, choice *and* mighty men of valour, chief of the princes. And the number throughout the genealogy of them that were apt to the war *and* to battle *was* twenty and six thousand men.

CHAPTER 8

NOW Benjamin begat Bela his firstborn, Ashbel the second, and Aharah the third,

2 Nohah the fourth, and Rapha the fifth.

3 And the sons of Bela were, Addar, and Gera, and Abihud,

4 And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,

5 And Gera, and Shephuphan, and Huram.

6 And these *are* the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Geba, and they removed them to Manahath:

7 And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and Ahihud.

8 And Shaharaim begat *children* in the country of Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara *were* his wives.

9 And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,

10 And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.

11 And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.

12 The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and

Misham, and Shamed, who built Ono, and Lod, with the towns thereof:

13 Beriah also, and Shema, who were heads of the fathers of the inhabitants of Aijalon, who drove away the inhabitants of Gath:

14 And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth,

15 And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader,

16 And Michael, and Ispah, and Joha, the sons of Beriah;

17 And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber,

18 Ishmerai also, and Jezliah, and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;

19 And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,

20 And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,

21 And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;

22 And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,

23 And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,

24 And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,

25 And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak;

26 And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah,

27 And Jaresiah, and Eliah, and

Zichri, the sons of Jeroham.

28 These *were* heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief *men*. These dwelt in Jerusalem.

29 And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name *was* Maachah:

30 And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab,

31 And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.

32 And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.

33 ¶ And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal.

34 And the son of Jonathan *was* Meribbaal; and Meribbaal begat Micah.

35 And the sons of Micah *were*, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz.

36 And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza,

37 And Moza begat Binea: Rapha *was* his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son:

38 And Azel had six sons, whose

names *are* these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these *were* the sons of Azel.

39 And the sons of Eshek his brother *were*, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet

DEVOTIONAL COMMENTS

Since today's readings are additional genealogies, I would like to deviate somewhat and comment in other areas.

The entire world today is seeking wisdom! Education is prevalent in every city. Literally thousands of young and old alike are attending universities. But how many of them really know the meaning of wisdom? Wisdom is seeing things from God's point of view. However, all too often the wisdom of man is depended upon. Man's wisdom can only get us into trouble. I am sure that many times in your own life, you have done things without consulting the mind of God. Each time we do things on our own, we cause Satan to rejoice. For we are doing the very thing he would have us do. When we submit ourselves to God, His wisdom can be imparted to us and we can avoid the pitfalls and mistakes Satan wants us to make.

I have often said that you do not determine a man's greatness by his wealth or by his talent, but by what it takes to discourage him. Our world today is filled with a bunch of "quitters"—those who became discouraged and just gave up. All too often, the moment something goes wrong, we are prone to sit down and quit, rather than keep fighting the battle. The man who is able to overcome the many discouragements that may face him is the man who can be great in the service of the Lord. Each of us should realize, even in our darkest moments, that Christ died for us and that He loves us. Remember that even though the clouds may cover the sky, the sun is still shining and the clouds will soon roll away and let the light show forth.

PROVERB FOR TODAY

"My son, hear the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the law of thy mother" (Proverbs 1:8). the third.

40 And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

TREASURE PATH TO SOUL WINNING

ASSIGNMENT 14: For today's memory verses, follow instructions on page 8.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

ROSALINDA TENA

HYMN FOR TODAY

THE SPACIOUS FIRMAMENT by Joseph Addison, 1672-1719

The month of May is generally regarded as the most beautiful month of the year. March winds and April showers have done their work, and now the earth is attired in all of its God-given beauty. Of all people, Christians should be the most appreciative of God's created world. Although we may never be able to understand fully and explain adequately all of the scientific details about creation, we can say with certainty, "I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth" (Apostles' Creed); and with the writer of Hebrews, "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God" (Hebrews 11:3). The wonder of God's spacious firmament should cause a flow of endless praise to our great Creator.

The Bible teaches that man is without excuse for not knowing God. The Creator has revealed Himself at least partially in nature (Romans 1:19-21) as well as internally in the human conscience (Romans 1:32, 2:14-15). The full revelation of God, however, is only realized in the person and work of Jesus Christ—"the radiance of God's glory" (Hebrews 1:3).

"The Spacious Firmament" was written by Joseph Addison—one of England's outstanding writers. These verses were part of a larger essay titled "An Essay on the Proper Means of Strengthening and Confirming Faith in the Mind of Man." Addison prefaced his work with the words: "The Supreme Being has made the best arguments for His own existence in the formation of the heavens and earth." Addison's poem first appeared in *The Spectator* newspaper in 1712.

The spacious firmament on high, with all the blue, ethereal sky, and spangled heavens, a shining frame, their great Original proclaim: Th' unwearied sun, from day to day, does his Creator's pow'r display; and publishes to ev'ry land the work of an almighty hand.

What though in solemn silence, all move round this dark terrestrial ball? What though no real voice nor sound amid their radiant orbs be found? In reason's ear they all rejoice, and utter forth a glorious voice, forever singing as they shine, "The hand that made us is divine."

ON THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1490 в.с.

MOSES WAS COMMANDED TO NUMBER THE PEOPLE AT SINAI.

Numbers 1:1.

536 в.с.

THE APPROXIMATE DATE OF THE STARTING OF THE REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE AFTER CAPTIVITY.

Ezra 3:8.

MAY DAY.

Ask God to help you in the month of May.

CHILD HEALTH DAY.

Here is an opportunity to thank God for the health of your children and to pray that God will keep them strong physically.

1873

THE FIRST UNITED STATES POSTAL CARD WAS SENT.

Once again, thank God for the postal system and the miracle of mail.

1893

MOODY BEGAN HIS SIX-MONTH WORLD'S FAIR REVIVAL IN CHICAGO.

What a revival! What an evangelist! What a needy city! Think of it—six months of revival! Pray for revival today in Chicago and for the preachers who labor faithfully in preaching the Gospel in this city. Also, pray for the saints in Chicago, as well as the churches.

1896

DEWEY WON THE BATTLE OF MANILA BAY.

1939

THE DATE OF THE FOUNDING OF THE "BACK TO THE BIBLE" BROADCAST.

The "Back to the Bible" broadcast is now headquartered in Lincoln, Nebraska. This is one of the great broadcasts of our generation. Theodore Epp was the founder and preached on the broadcast for many years. Pray for the broadcast, and for radio preachers everywhere. Send an offering today to some faithful radio preacher.

1945

THE MURDER OF ADOLPH HITLER WAS ANNOUNCED.

ON THIS DATE IN AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY

1863

CONFEDERATE CONGRESS PASSED RESOLU-TION WHICH BRANDED BLACK TROOPS AND THEIR OFFICERS CRIMINALS. Resolution, in effect, doomed captured black soldiers to death or slavery.

1866

THROUGH THE 3RD, WHITE DEMOCRATS AND POLICE ATTACKED FREEDMEN and their white allies in Memphis, Tennessee. Forty-six blacks and two white liberals were killed. More than seventy were wounded. Ninety homes, twelve schools and four churches were burned.

1867

RECONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTH BEGAN with the registering of black and white voters in the South. Gen. Philip H. Sheridan ordered registration to begin in Louisiana on May 1 and to continue until June 30. Registration began in Arkansas in May. Other states followed in June and July. By the end of October, 1,363,000 citizens had registered in the South, including 700,000 blacks. Black voters constituted a majority in five states: Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and South Carolina.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY CHARTERED.

1941

ASA PHILIP RANDOLPH ISSUED A CALL FOR 100,000 BLACKS TO MARCH on Washington, D.C., to protest discrimination in the armed forces and war industries.

1946

MRS. EMMA CLARISSA CLEMENT NAMED "AMERICAN MOTHER OF THE YEAR" by the Golden Rule Foundation.

1948

GLENN H. TAYLOR, U.S. SENATOR FROM IDAHO and Vice-presidential candidate of Progressive party, arrested in Birmingham for trying to enter a meeting through a door marked "for Negroes."

1950

GWENDOLYN BROOKS, FIRST BLACK AWARD-ED A PULITZER PRIZE (in poetry).

1981

DEATH OF DR. CLARENCE A. BACOTE (75), historian and political scientist, in Atlanta.

1992

RODNEY KING MAKES AN EMOTIONAL APPEAL ON TELEVISION to end the city-wide violence that has ravaged Los Angeles for three days starting April 29th. "Can't we all just get along?" he says. The riots were sparked by the acquittal of four Los Angeles police officers accused of excessively and repeatedly beating King following a high-speed pursuit March 3, 1991. The nation was outraged at the beating, which was videotaped by an amateur photographer. At least fifty-four people died in the riots. A white truck driver was dragged out of his truck and severely beaten.

The Treasure Path to Soul Winning

MEMORY VERSE TOPIC FOR THIS WEEK:

DIFFICULT PROBLEMS SOLVED: "I AM TOO GREAT A SINNER"

(Assignment 14)

Please recite all three components of each of these five verses aloud, five times each morning, and five times each evening, for seven days. The three components of each verse are: Subject, Scripture Reference, and Scripture Text. (For more details, see "The Treasure Path to Soul Winning" link back on the DailyKJV.com page.)

() Isaiah 1:18

Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.

() 1 Timothy 1:15

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

() Romans 5:6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

() Romans 5:7

For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

() Romans 5:8

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.