

2 Kings 12:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money that was brought into the house of the LORD:

Analysis

Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers, basons, trumpets, any vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money that was brought into the house of the LORD:

This verse contributes to the overall theme of chapter 12: Religious reform and temple restoration. The divine name emphasizes Yahweh's covenant relationship with Israel and His sovereign control over historical events. This passage occurs during the decline toward Israel's exile, demonstrating how persistent covenant unfaithfulness leads to national disaster.

The narrative demonstrates God's justice in judging covenant unfaithfulness while maintaining His ultimate purposes for redemption.

Historical Context

Historical Setting: 2 Kings 12 takes place during the declining years of the northern kingdom, 8th century BCE, culminating in exile in 722 BCE. The chapter's theme (Joash Repairs the Temple) reflects the historical reality of progressive political instability and external threats, particularly from Aram (Syria) and later Assyria. Archaeological evidence from this period includes royal

inscriptions, administrative documents, and material culture that corroborate the biblical account while providing additional context for understanding the political and social dynamics at work.

Related Passages

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Study Questions

1. How does this verse contribute to understanding the theological message of 2 Kings 12 regarding religious reform and temple restoration?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's character, particularly His justice, mercy, and faithfulness to covenant promises?
3. In what practical ways should this text shape contemporary Christian thinking about faithfulness, worship, and obedience to God?

Interlinear Text

ל	א	אָרֶךְ	וְ	יְשַׁׁעַת	הַ	בֵּית	יְהָוָה:	סֶפֶת	וְתַ
H389	H3808	Howbeit	there were not	made		for the house	of the LORD	bowls	
				H6213		H1004	H3068	H5592	

כָּל	כָּל	צָרָר	וְתַ	מִזְבְּקֹות	מִזְבְּחֹת	וְתַ	בְּכָסֶף	בְּכָסֶף	וְכָלִ	וְכָלִ	בְּ	בְּ	בְּ	
of silver	snuffers			basons		trumpets		H3605		any vessels		of gold		
H3701	H4212			H4219		H2689				H3627		H2091		

בֵּית	בְּ	מִן	בְּכָסֶף	בְּכָסֶף	אֲ	בְּ	בְּ	בְּ	בֵּית				
			any vessels	of silver	H4480	of silver		that was brought	for the house				
						H3701		H935	H1004				

יְהָוָה:
of the LORD
H3068

Additional Cross-References

2 Chronicles 24:14 (Creation): And when they had finished it, they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jehoiada, whereof were made vessels for the house of the LORD, even vessels to minister, and to offer withal, and spoons, and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the days of Jehoiada.

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