

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 אֶךְ H389	יַעֲשֶׂה הַ H3808	בֵּית H6213	יְהוָה: H1004	סֵפֶ וְזֶ H3068	בִּסְפֵּי H5592
Howbeit there were not made	for the house	of the LORD	bowls		
הַכֶּסֶף H3701	מְזַמְרֵי וְזֶ H4212	מִזְבְּחוֹת H4219	כָּל הַצֹּפָר וְזֶ H3605	וְכֵלֵי H3627	זָהָב H2091
of silver	snuffers	basons	trumpets	any vessels	of gold
וְכֵלֵי H3627	הַכֶּסֶף H3701	מִן H4480	הַכֶּסֶף H3701	הַמּוֹבֵא H935	בֵּית H1004
any vessels	of silver	of silver	that was brought	for the house	
יְהוָה: H3068					
of the LORD					

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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