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Job

Nov. 18

The theme of poem ^(c. 41) is refusal of poet to accept the current doctrine of his day: That disease stems from sin. It is not true that the fact of disease brands the sufferer as a sinner. This is audacious repudiation of doctrine of individual retribution. There must be some larger, more generous pattern.

The story (1, 2, 42) is set in ^{ancient} remant of Sodan. That there is no true piety, disassociated from the reward of piety. Does man worship God through fear or love? [chap. 1, 9]

Job 1: 1-10 Job 1: 11-12 Job 1: 13-14

These are two stories. They are merged by the poet putting his plaint in the framework of Job's story, who is a blameless man. What did the poet know of Job? What was the primitive legend around Job? Where does the anonymous folk-product stem from?

Ezekiel 14; 14, 20 . . . Ez. is prophet exiled somewhere between 597 (Jehoiachim) and 586 (Zedek.) and somewhere in these he said the words of chap 14 addressed to Babylonian exiles who were saintly and thus might hope that their relatives in Palestine would be spared on both theological and political grounds.

Brockel said that this Daniel, without the Yel, is not the same as the later Daniel (165). This was substantiated. This Daniel is some saint who judged at the time of 586.

Reductions from this passage:

- ① Job had 733
- ② None of these three was Jewish
Why this particular selection of names? What

have they in common? If we know more of how Job is used in this connection we would know more about the Book of Job.

In 586 B.C. presupposed the figure of some old saint, generally agreed by legend to be righteous. Noah was ancient type of virtue. So also was probably this figure of Job. Is there anything in the framework of Job connecting with this? Chap. 2, 11, 12 and 42, 7-9 are the old story (Keyling).

Both Sabeans & Chaldeans who fell on Job were not immediate neighbors and hence not expected. They indicate that there is something supernatural in the event and causes Job to look to God for the reason.

In 18th C. there was theory that 1, 2, 4c were postscriptums in order to exculpate God and put blame on Satan. Satan was later figure, evil, appears only in Zephaniah - and dialogue was early, Solomonic.

At end of 19th C. this changed - Hellhausen said poem late & prologue early.

Thus we cannot say with Keyling & others, this verse is old, this is new, etc. This is arbitrary.

Heiligstet said that story of Satan is not original in chap. 1, but is later introduction. What is older background in chap. 1? Verse 13 talks of "his sons & daughters". Whose? Last name in 12 is Satan. This cannot be. 6-12 is ~~theoretical~~ celestial scene and 13 follows 5. The celestial scene is inserted and there is the confusion of antecedents in 13.

Dr. Albrecht Alt discusses 42, 11 where friends come to commiserate after his riches have been restored. This is trace of earlier phase, end of chap. 1, where Job himself was not smitten. The first wager refers to property lost - he self not touched. In primitive community when man lost, his neighbors helped him to his feet. 42, 11 simply picks on to end of chap. 1. The end of 42 doesn't talk about his disease at all, only about property. They came to sympathize over his poverty and each gave him something. 42, 11 - end concludes first legend.

- ① Chap. 1, vv. 12-22 - primitive story without Satan ^{verse 13 is part of 12}
② Chap. 1 + 42, 11-17 is first stage of story, (with Satan) - his neighbors restore his fortune, since they are impressed with his piety - and God also rewards his faith by giving him three-fold.
③ Chap. 2 + 42, 1-10, (chap. 10, which speaks of healing - this is third stage including his disease.)

In verse 10, "friend" is in singular - God healed Job because he prayed for friend. But he had no special friend.

- ① 42, 10 + Execl. 14 + legend of Sesa leads to theory that Job was a traditional intercessor for others. Noah interceded. Daniel interceded with highest Ugard god to obtain a son. His son is murdered - but through his piety & prayer the son is resurrected. This is all in Ugardic poem. Thus Job

is included in this list. Job prayed for a friend who came with arrows, instead of complaining that he too had been smitten by God. Prayer on behalf of the other (42:10) caused God to be moved by this display and to cure him.

This little discrepancy (friend in sing instead of plural) + 42:14 + Dan allows the three men in 42:14 to be equated on basis of having prayed for the other.

Noah prayed for his family & saved them.

Dan

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friend

Ex says that the plagues would be so great that no one could save himself or his children even if he were N., D., or J., all of whom saved their sons & daughters.

whole poem { 3, —

10, —
42 1-6 is evil & fitful

42:7-9 adaptation of old story by poet

42:10 clearly part of old story with 42:14 and myth of Agat.

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God himself is author (1, 13)

3rd stage is affliction by disease, through influence of Satan. This is highest evidence of disinterested pity - he did not curse God. Matter of fact he prayed for his friend 42:10 and thereby achieved his own restoration. This power of intercessory prayer brought salvation in (2 14) to the men & their families.

Bishop Cheyne :-

God seems displeased with the talk of the friends 42: 7-9. This is surprising, for they have supported God all through poem, while Job has been the accuser.

C. says that in original story the friends spoke in similar vein as wife of Job, uttering some words of censure. Job rebuked them and thus God came to his judgment about them.

Prof. Boule - of Copenhagen, tries to find voices in 42:26,27 to put into mouths of friends in order to support Cheyne's Theory of a preceding portion.

Cheyne

This cannot be accepted because:

- ① also in 37:23-25 - did not speak so we cannot mean to God, not about God. God detects subtle fraud in friends arguments. Sincere doubt more acceptable to God than hypocritical orthodoxy.

The poet, knowing the end & wherein the hero prays for a friend, also makes his hero of the same stature wherein he shows up his friends who fear to appear in honesty before the powerful magistrate God. Thus poet works in the spirit of 42:10 into 7-9.

- ② It is proper for the wife to raise up her voice, when 3st is underlying disease, and she sees

his intense suffering, and tell him to denounce God. But what right have the friends to condemn God and risk incurring wrath. 2:12 by performing such things as tearing clothes, pouring dust, etc. ③ What does it mean to throw dust & dirt? (f. Ex. 9:8 ; Acts 22:22) This was in order to dissociate self from the sinner. The friends, in order to wash off the stigma affecting Job, perform this rite of throwing dust heavenward. This is implied in 6:21.

Thus 7-9 is not as Cheyne says - but is an adaptation of the older story by the poet. It is more acceptable to God in this honest blasphemy than the timid white-washing of the friends. Honest heresy is better than timorous piety.

Poet ends his sophisticated story with the old primitive story of Job's intercessory prayer. After a whole book of blasphemy against dogma and organized prayer and God, there is a return to prayer as the ending.

Chap. 3 - tense beginning, due to preceding silence of friends. They have sat silently viewing his great pain.

3:1-2 are transitions to poem beginning in v.3

3:2 - f:1 - he cried out (This is not "he answered" because no one has spoken)

Friends' silence is possibly occasioned by suspicion that Job might deserve such affliction - and he cries out in final reaction v. This last misfortune. Their suspicion might even include accusation - so that instead of getting help he is getting 7 days of dark looks.

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3:3 - every word has penultimate stress - same in
1:1a

"¶ That the day when I was born had perished"
(There was only one tense in ancient poetic Hebrew - The Verb Concessive gives a past, but there is only one tense, which we today call future. The Chinese also only have one tense.) It must be called a timeless tense including all three.

3:4a,c "Had that day remained dark"

"And had no light shined on it"

(It must all be put in the past - The whole sequence - if you are to get the idea that he means the day of his death, and is not cursing some reflected day or some day in the future.) Formula is: "would that ... had"

No intimation of suicide, but next to it in intensity of despair is cursing of day of birth.

3:4 b "Had God on High not remembered it,
not summoned it"

3:6 פָּנָים - months, i.e. months
let not that night enter into the
cycle of months.

3:7 שִׁנְתֶּן stone, barren, childless

3:8 If God is importent to wipe out that
day from the cycle of years, let the
Canaanite gods do it. (cf 7:12; 9:13
change פָּנָים to פֵּשֶׁת . Those who challenge
primordial monsters לְאַיִל can surely
conquer one day and wipe it out. (This
is Spiegel.)

3:9 "Had the stars stayed dark
Had the night (before my birth) never seen 'the dawn'
as it waited for the light
also - early morning breezes and late evening also.

3:10 Had the night closed the dome of conception
it would have hidden travail from my eyes
 $6:5 = 7:5$

3:10:1 - The verb is apodactic - \Rightarrow 10:2
conditional.

Chap 3. - Icc

His very life from the day of his birth now seems to have been mere wretchedness & pain (3-10)

Sheol itself is, by comparison with his misery, to be longed for and welcomed (11-19)

Why then is life thrust upon him and others wretched like himself? (19-26) Wider question is put (20-22) and followed by particular (23-26): why must the wretched live and Job in particular?

Why are men allowed to be wretched?

Why are they born at all, if to live is to suffer? This question ultimately raises the question of God's responsibility: what does God mean by creating and maintaining such lives? But God doesn't come up yet in ch. 3.

3, 3 - > Nlc → 'Nlc

> יְהוָה → יְהוָה . אֱלֹהִים

> נֶפֶת → נֶפֶת (Jer. 20, 14)

verse probably refers to the night during which some man made his mother conceive.

4 Insert 4a in middle of 5, or remove 5b, place it after 4a. (p. Joel 2, 2.)

5 gl' סִנְד = N. סִנְך in 8a.

8 פַּרְעֹשׁ - something wretched or wild.

The crocodile is here an imaginary serpent-like monster, represented as stirred up by the incantations of the professional cursers to produce eclipses.

9 morning stars - Venus + Mercury
9.6 gloss.

10 צְדָקָה → צִדְקָה

צְדָקָה = closing doors of womb to egress of the embryo into the world.

11 Begins asking "why birth?" v. 16 should follow v. 11.

14 וְנַחֲתָה → and haram = pyramid
→ חֶסֶד or חֶנְנָה

17 יְהֹוָה → יְהֹוָה

17-19 He dwells on peacefulness of Sheol

20-26 Why does God prolong life to those who in general (20-22) and like Job in particular (23-26), in their misery long only for death?

(thesis)

Dec. 2

R. Pfeiffer - Intro. to O.T. - first 5 chaps

chap. 12, 13 - J (9th C.)

chap. 14 - special source (Pfeiffer calls S - southern)

chap. 15 - E (in spite of use of \Rightarrow later)

J anthropomorphic

E more remote, appearing only in visions, lightning etc

J southern Beersheba differences in terminology
 אֶת , בְּנֵי

E northern Bethel, Ai, Shechem אֶת , \Rightarrow בְּנֵי

12, 1 - פָּנִים - your birthplace, your family
He sets out from Haran - only later (chap. 15) is Ur mentioned. In Greek ^{text} Ur is Eer, which might simply mean "city" of the Chaldees and might be same as Haran.

12, 2 - 'לְ - not Hebrew word

$\Rightarrow \text{לְ}$ - לְ

$\Rightarrow \text{לְ}$ - portion, as well as blessing.

12, 3 - chaotic order verb, part., part., verbs
Chi = χ a, b, b', a'

12, 4 - 75 years - Theory that Patriarchs special class even physically.

12, 5 - יְהֹ - Amorite spelling of name
which becomes יְהָ

יְהָ - early spelling without extra addition

of הַ יְהָ הָ - "He"

might also mean "beloved father."

12, 5 - יְלָא - they acquired. M. says this word brought in - since Canaanite verb "to do" is סַד.

12, 6 - שִׁיר / שֵׁר - terebinth of rock-given - residence of local Baal.

שִׁיר וְשֵׁר - This would be surprising if they went there. - Anachorism

12, 8 פָּרָן - eastwards, towards Bethel
נָבָר הַצְּפִינִי - In Ex. 6, it would seem that נָבָר not known to the patriarchs - but in this verse in fact the J writer says the name was known to Abraham. In early periods, no hesitation in spelling God's name - probably around Ezra, theory arose that נָבָר too sacred to pronounce. This was rabbinic conception. J, as early unchristianized writer, uses נָבָר.

12, 9 דּוֹד - caravan furnishes, or chief leads caravan.

12, 10 Bedouins always going down to Egypt for grain.

12, 11 This story told 3 times - once more of Abraham + once of Isaac (which is secondary). This version is J, simple, naive. E is more sophisticated.

12, 15 Egyptian King not called מֶלֶךְ in 2000. Meant first "great house" - court - finally meant

monarch himself. But this was later.

12,9 - This suggests that if Pharaoh had known she was A's wife, he wouldn't have taken her. But that's imposing him with Hebrew morality.

13 - Describes break between Hebrew nomads and other tribes, Moabites, etc.

13,8 Ab. deprecates a quarrel, says They're brothers. This is remarkable on part of Q. C. writer, who still willing to acknowledge that present-day enemies were once allies.

13,9 /N. - south } from point of view of
/N.E. - north } facing east
In Egyptian, the sun is east and /N.
is west, facing south.

13,10 /33° 22' - S & SE of Dead Sea

14 - ~~Sarrant~~ - Thought to be Hammurabi -
(but wrong spelling (should be ərənəb)). If
it was Haman. This would locate Abraham
1800 BC. This is doubtful.

14,2 - names look like deliberate mock-names to
taunt

14,3 - p'3l, p'ns - territory S. of Dead Sea.

Former kings of east were fighting five Kings
of SE Palestine. There was chain of
fortified cities, which crumbled around 1900 -

Therefore this chap. is historical, otherwise how could 9th C. writer know about it.

14,5 בָּקָר , בְּשָׂרֶב , בְּנֵי - peoples living early in land of Transjordan - before Ammonites, Moabites, etc.

14,6 כְּנָזְבֵן - indigenous Hebrews, driven southwest.

14,10 נִזְבֵּת - bituminous pitch

14,12 Abram brought back in - what is translation?

14,13 'אַבְרָהָם - called Abram the Hebrew.

'אַבְרָהָם name applied to them by outsiders.
They selves call selves פָּרָעָה .

לְכֹנְעָן יְהָוָה - This is in Hebrew } might
גְּדוֹלָה יְהָוָה - Schocken } be same.

14,14 פָּרָעָה - Egyptian word applied to ^{Palestinian} chieftains and their followers. This indicates c. 1800 existence of early written sources.

13,36 - This is anachronism, because יְהָוָה did not move up north till much later.

14,18 בְּסָרֶב - the God Shalem (Jehovah) has given an oracle. This changed to בְּסָרֶב.

14,18 בְּסָרֶב סָרֶב - Sarab is highest Canaanite god - but בְּסָרֶב doesn't appear in early texts. Does appear in Church Fathers however, who are usually reliable.

14,19 - ~~DJY~~ - to create

14,20 - ~~EN~~ - make a gift. Old archaic word - This whole chap. may be even older than Song of Deborah.
Giving of gifts was Can. custom.

14,23 plc - goes with swearing oath in previous v. I will not. Negative oath.

15,1 E. ~~see under Deuteronomy~~ God appears in a vision.

15,2 ^{repetition} PBN3 is breakdown of PBN-1^a his steward as an adopted son will inherit him. Nuzi documents show preponderance of adoption.

15,5 T said his descendants would be as dust - here They are compared to stars in number.

15,6 P33 in Arabic means to tell the truth, be trustworthy.

15,9 ~~resen~~ - Three-year old right age for best sacrifice.

15,13 -? prophecy of future Egyptian experience of ~~blowing~~ slavery & Exodus.

Dec. 9

- J = Yahwist or Jelam, ca 9th C.
- E = Elohist or Ephraimite, ca 8th C.
- D = Deuteronomic writer ca 7th C. and later
- P = Priestly writer - strata of various dates, latest ca 5th C.

Ch. 16, JP -

Sarai - is Amorite form; also Abram
Sarah - Canaanite ; also Abraham

1. רֵא - word of J, P }
 רָא " " E } no difference

רִנְשׁ - might mean north Arrian instead of
Egyptian proper.

הַגּוֹ - is Arabic root - "to flee" - Hejira.

This may describe rise of Ishmaelites, who fled
from their tribal brothers, the Hebrews.

3. sign of P - interest in chronology.

4.5 foreshadowing of Sarah's treatment of Hagar. Such
punishment is valid in Hammurabi's code.

7 even in J, naive, predisposed to anthropomorphism,
There is still a step cushion between God and man -
i.e. אֵל ~~פֶּסֶל~~ ~~פֶּסֶל~~, which is either a repre-
sentation or God self. מֶלֶךְ is simply a messenger
(etymologically מֶלֶךְ) and later came to mean angel.
In early sources, it is simply a cushion. Similar to
" אֵל " of the Targum ("word of God").

13 corrupted badly, attempt to explain place name
in next verse probably.

15 P forced attributes naming of son to father.
J " " " " " mother (Ch. 11)

16 P interested in chronology.

ch. 17 - P

1- '38 ^{like} traditional explanation: 'אֵל - who is powerful.

This proto incorrect; other explanations:

33e - destroy ; 33e - cast, throw Thunder

13e - mountain elevated (Saby.)

Poss. old Canaanite name.

'אֱלֹהִים - worship me.

2. P. says 4 covenants - Adam, Noah, Abe, Moses.

Unique circumcision among Hebrews - at birth; other tribes practised it at puberty. This change probably made deliberately to differentiate from others who practised it and from whom they learned it. They desired to remove its pagan associations.

Cir. used to purify demons jealous of sex power of man.

6-10 God, land and people. Here is essentially the basis of national religion. However much the prophets stressed universalism, still Judaism has national confines. Jehovah is god of Hebrews, and god of Palestine. The contribution of the Israelites was that they rose to the conception of a universal god, but at first their religion was national, like the Amorites, the Babylonians, etc.

10 full covenant not here revealed. This reserved for Moses at Sinai - here only circumcision is the covenant.

14 ancient נַחֲרֵת really was excommunication - later this mitigated by rabbis to mean merely that man will be purified in afterworld by God.

17 first explanation of name of נָחֶשׁ.

18 another etymology of name. Previously it is derived from God's hairy beard Tagan - here it is attributed to Abraham's plea which is heard by God.

23 every day when God spoke of the covenant.

1st covenant-	Adam -	man shall rule earth
2nd	Noah -	god shall not destroy man
3rd	Abraham -	circumcision
4th	Moses -	Torah at Sinai - complete.

This idea of a progressive revelation is quite an advanced idea. Not fact that Jews were chosen, for this is a universal claim - but fact that god slowly unfolds himself to man - shows sense of history and evolution! The writer's account of creation shows a sense of evolution -

Ch 18- J (naivete, vocabulary)

Folklore generally found - but taken & moralized by Hebrew writer. Also later writer attempts to erase polytheism of earlier stories by calling three men messengers of God. Narrative alternates singular & plural. May be God & two angels.

1. R^{אַיִל} - Hebrew (same place where Abraham commanded to circumcise his family)

בְּנֵי - expresses time when

2 פָּרֶסֶת גּוֹלֶת - characteristic J

שְׁלֵת - prob. orig. root: full fast should be

שְׁלֵתָה: softened in jussive to "shel"

3 לְבָבָן - another characteristic J

4

הַיְלָדִים - passive Kal (3rd :)

5

לֹא כַּא - inasmuch as (yours passed by)

6

מְלֹאת גָּדוֹלָה - very large amount

מְלֹאת נְסָפָת - very fine flour

8

שָׁבֵן - sour, fermented milk

אֶתְנָה - ordinary, sweet milk

only passage in Bible where divine beings said to eat.

10

Either God speaks in singular, or one angel speaks, or all speak in one chorus. Or angel whose special task was to announce birth of Isaac. Each angel had special job.

This belongs to folk tradition of gods cohabiting with people. Same type of Divine Annunciation in New Testament.

12

וְלֹא - worn-out (often used of garment)

[W.17-

later addition]

Zeus, Hermes, Poseidon in Greek myth appeared to a man & promised him a son. Cycle of folk-stories universal in ancient world, concerning desolation of certain cities, repopulation of certain other areas (ch. 19) - where only one family is left (Noah + sons) (Lot + daughters), incest is committed. Also Noah may have been sun attacked by moon, or vice versa.

V.17 - 33 moralistic story

17 דְּבָרַי יְהֹוָה - That which I am going to do
prophetic. (not simple present)

18 why This repetition? either justify God's telling Abraham, or point contrast between fate of Abraham and that of these people.

19 Denter. expression (Gen 17:38)

20 ^{תְּנִזֵּן} - to transcribed in Greek with a G
^{שָׁבַשׁ} - is cry of indignation evoked by conduct of two cities.

'^{אָ} surely

21 God give down for himself - native
^{בָּבֶל} - connotative
^{צָבָא} - completely degenerate.

22 b may explain difference between God and the other two messengers.

28 ^{שְׁלֹךְ} - to take on, to presume
"are you gonna call me a liar for a nickel?"

Ch. 19 - 5

1. Angels, two, appear to Lot, same as Abraham.
2. He offers same hospitality. They refuse at first - then accept. (Contrast with A., whom they accepted gladly.)

5. ^{דָּבָר} - know in sexual sense.

8 he offers daughters as substitutes.

(Some story told in Judges)

^{שְׁלֹךְ} should be ^{שְׁלֹךְ}

10 angels rescued Lot from mob.

11 פָּנָן - magical blindness due to dazzling light. prob. temporary.

14 פְּרִי - who were about to take in marriage.

17 כְּנָסֶה - used several times - suggests name of God.

20 דָּבָר - small distance. Lot asks indulgence says mountains too far - This city never. Story to explain name of city.

22 rival explanation of name of city.

23 נַשְׁמָר - reverse to דָּבָר, which means held back/restrained. God restrained from destroying Sodom until Lot got to Zoar.

24 גִּזְעֹת - pitch, bitumen, petroleum (very explosive) -
near Dead Sea
logical to assume that some natural explosion destroyed surrounding towns.

26 some natural formation of rock, which had to be explained. Tied up with ancient superstition not to look back when you leave a place.

29 This ties my Abe story with Lot story. Lot is individual righteous man saved, even though cities burned.

30 Lot goes up to hill country E. of Jordan

32 פְּנֵי - concave

31-38

attempt to account for repopulation of desolated areas.

- 37 *אֶלְעָנִים* - *אֶלְעָנִים* - from the father
38 *'אֶלְעָנִי* - son of my people (my father's son)

20^{-E}, *טוֹב* - movement of group or caravan, not merely individual - semi-nomadic connotation

2 *טוֹבָה* *לְ* - concerning Sarah.

3 God appeared in dream - characteristic E.

מַלְאָכִים - imminent, about to - prophetic use.

4 *וְיֶה* - whole people, or individual King.

7 *וְיֶה* - rarely applied to patriarchs - here in sense of being under particular divine protection.

9 b - coincidence of English & Hebrew idiom.

10 *וְתַּתֵּן* - what did you have in mind? ^{Greek} idiom.

11 *וְ* - reassertive - surely, surely

וְ modifies *וְיֶהוָה*.

פָּרָשָׁת *וְיֶהוָה* - reverence, respect, awe (fear)

12 *זֶה* *פְּ* - as a matter of fact

13 *זֶה* - why plural? prob. original error

זֶה - physical wandering

זֶה - figurative " - to err } pairs of roots - one entrance, other less so.

לְפָנֶיךָ - say about me

16 *q̄nted-* parason?

p̄is n̄to - compensation for humiliation.

n̄t̄st b̄ n̄t̄ - compensation before everyone before whom you were disgraced

q̄nt̄ zek b̄f may have been written into the margin to explain last three words, then copied into text. Or last three words may be the corrupt ones.

18 belated explanation of plague which had fallen on Abimelech's house. Marcus Minerva 258 is a key word referring to something else earlier in chapter which has been lost, and we are left with the last sentence hanging.

21

5- P. interested in chronology

z̄n̄s' n̄k - retained accusative - of passive verb.

7 - *š̄nr* - aramaic "to speak" - rather "to believe" (Aramaic "millaḥ"; Targum)

8 *q̄nt̄ n̄k* - another retained accusative

9 Third explanation of *pt̄s*. no name - second expl. in v. 6 - first expl. in ch. 18 v. 12.

12 E writer wishes to exculpate Abiathar - so puts onus on God.

13 concession to Ishmael.

14 wrote after a vision - characteristic E.

- 19 God opened her eyes - This made that particular place an oracle place.
She has no High - except Δ p. 22.
- 22 שָׂרֵך - assumed to be Egyptian, but means says no.
- 23 פְּלִיכָה - after oath means "That not"
- 28 etymological explanation of Beer Sheba.
- 31 Three
Two reasons - seven sheep
Swearing of covenant There
seven wells
- 32 פְּלִיכָה - clear anachronism - Philistines
didn't land on coast till 600 yrs. after Abc.
- 33 סְמִיכָה - tamersik, uncertain.
- 22 וַיֹּאמֶר - test, trial of obedience.
Call to Abraham like call to Samuel.
- 2 בְּנִי - connotation of "dearly beloved"
 בְּנִי - only case of בְּ after Divine command.
- בְּנִין - Jerusalem or Shechem (acc. to Samaritans)
- 3 This command was vision of night.
- 5 Abraham doesn't tell servants - This is a nicely.

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4 Many things happen on Third day - seems to be conventional time-limit

6 skillful touch - Isaac carries wood for own sacrifice. Abe carries instruments.

N.T. said to be "testimonia" to prove fulfillment in Jesus of O.T. which is divine. As Jesus carried wood so Isaac carried wood.

(And Nazis make victims dig own graves.) Also Jesus entering Jerusalem on ass is fulfillment of Zechariah. (Crucifixion was Assyrian, Phoenician, Canaanite, Roman)

8 if - > λέγει - provide for himself. Etymological.

9 αἴρεσθαι - to tie up - esp. animal, by tying legs.

10 Κίνδυν - to cut throat

" πλάστη - ^{σαρκά} apparent substitution for God

12 "-λέγει" another etymological pun

13 στήλη ? should be prob. στήλη

on ancient seals, favorite motif is man caught by horns in Thicket. This is on Babylonian, Syrian coins, etc. indicating wider circulation of same story.

substitution of animal for human sacrifice is moral & religious climax

14 Etymological shrine - Cult place named στήλη - στήλη ?

16 Sounds like later prophetic writing.
"-pk" - unique in Bible.

20-24 Aramean city and tribal names - in
v.22 3² (p. 3²) = p. 3²
who invaded Babylonia - Chaldeans.

21 9-16 - unknown
5-12 - mentioned in Arabic source of 7thC.
Skyp - unknown, sounds Arabic

22 8-3² - un-Semitic
p. 3² - also

23 Sh-122 - granddaughter of Abraham
and cousin to Isaac.

24 p. 2² - city
p. 2² N - city associated with Damascus.

23

P - perhaps written post-exile when Arameans
were invading. This may have been written
to prove Israelites had legal claim to
territory in Hebron.

4 pairs supposed to be buried there - Abe and
Sarah, Isaac & Rebekah, Jacob & Leah, Adam & Eve -
This in order to satisfy - שָׂבֵךְ נִכּוֹן .

1 see "הַיְלָה" is variance for plain וְיַלְהָ "

2 שְׁרֵבֶד - (?) prob. left out - then
remained in smaller letter.

3 what were Hittites doing here? They may

be general name for pre-Jerashite inhabitants which Phoenicians (Emori used by Elshak and Kurneani by J.)

- 4 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ that I may bury, i.e. substitute
 \rightarrow - temporary alien taking protection, n.
 $\rightarrow \rightarrow$ - resident alien later means proselyte

- 6 pīšē kīlē - specially favored of God.

- 7 repeated in v.12 Abe literally prostrated self before natives - why this subservience?
of course There is typical bargaining procedure and this may be part of exaggerated politeness

- 8 'f-1682 - intercede for me with -

- 9 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ - Jessie. That he may give me.
 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ - double, perhaps two parts to case.

- 15 They finally got down to settle the price.

- 16 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ - current value with the merchant.

- 17 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ - remained as possession (to Abraham).
legal language probably taken from contract and deed, drawn up at purchase

- 18 $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$ - also legal phrase - witness

24 5

- 1 גָּד - pluperfect - had blessed.
- 2 לִבְשׁ / לִבְשָׁ - steward - indicates wealth - uncommon among nomads
put hands on genitalia to seal covenant
 'נִ (Heb. life) in Arabic means womb, sex organs.
- 3 serious form of oath may be D redactor.
Servant is not to take Canaanite woman;
no intermarriage.
- 4 יַחֲזֵקְ - Kim
- 8 לִפְלֹ - Niphal - you shall be cleared
Why does Abc repeat that he doesn't want Isaac to go back? Afraid that he would desert Palestine.
- 10 Ten camels is quite a caravan
Not "all-wealth" but a goodly portion.
- 11 לִזְמֹ - literal meaning - "to kneel".
- 12 לִזְמֹ - Hiph - cause to happen
- 15 לִזְמֹ - This Pual form may be a survival of the Kal passive, because לִזְמֹ not used in Piel as "to bear";
only "to assist at birth".

According to one source she is niece of Abe, hence first cousin to Ile - other source she is grandmother, hence second " - "

16 descended steps to the well

17 לְנָה - to take a sip

18 אֶתְלָה - to drink abundantly.

19 פְּלִכְתָּה - until

28 one³ since her father is dead & Lebin takes over
P since her father Bethuel is in charge. Hence
two stories merged and both men are represented
as directing negotiations.

36 assumption that Abe is dead or dying and has
handed over inheritance to Ike.

38 קַיְמֵק - best answer

41 קַיְמֵק - if not

43 ff. repetition of narrative in unsophisticated style.

47 זְבַח הַמְּלָאָה - wrists + lower arm as well as hand.

48 'צָלָה 'מְלָאָה - here R. is designated as
niece of Abe, with Bethuel left out (which
would make her grandniece)

50 סְלָה - afterthought after Lebin.

53 These gifts represent the מְלָאָה, purchase price.

51 צָלָה - some sort of gifts to to brother
and mother- father doesn't appear here at all.

55 \rightarrow 108 //e p'ni ~ year or 10 months (Traditional)
prob-means "a few days, say about ten" -
because servant wishes to hasten her back to
dying Abe.

58 in two versions - she is first consulted and asked
if she wanted to go; secondly she is not
consulted & arrangements made without her.

60 farewell blessing is semi-poetic couplet.

62 sion should be 723 MN

63 lit's - found only here - to walk?
to talk? (to God) - hence, meditate.

65 - Servant called like master - perhaps Abe had died
and he knew it, or perhaps he customarily called
like master too.

67 - Sarah's death or Abe's death?

25

Supposed notions of affiliations of tribes, etc.
Tantalizing genealogy - can't be strictly confirmed.
1-12, J; 12ff - P.

1. Keturah = Hagar, possibly.
2. Zimran - unknown
- Yokshan - north Arabic
- Melan - unknown
- Milkan - head of confg of Afrahah
- Sabek - north Arabic

2. Shuh - unknown
3. Sheba - Sabean, migrated far south
Dedan - north Arabic
Lefushim, Lummim - proper names?
4. These found as personal names in Arabic inscriptions.

6. פְּגַד - Arabian desert.

11. פֶּתַח - mean

12. פָּתַח Priestly genealogy

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13. Nebiyyoth - north Arabic, correlated to Nebatim,
who migrated north as far as Damascus
^{prob.} desert equal G.v.s

Kedar - collective name for several tribes

Mibsam, Misham, etc. - place names. In both
lists, there are first tribal names, then place names.

15. צִגְּרֹת - like נֵזֶב migrated north and in
first century are found in Lebanon.

16. פְּצַדְקָה, אַפְּגָנָה, פְּרַזְגָּה - nomadic
camp circuit

18. Sher - is N.E. Arabia near Egypt ^{Harileh -}
^{S. Arabia} צִגְּרֹת is either same as Sher or is
Assurian as in v.3.

סְבַב - dwell, settle.

19. צִגְּרֹת - char. of P writer.

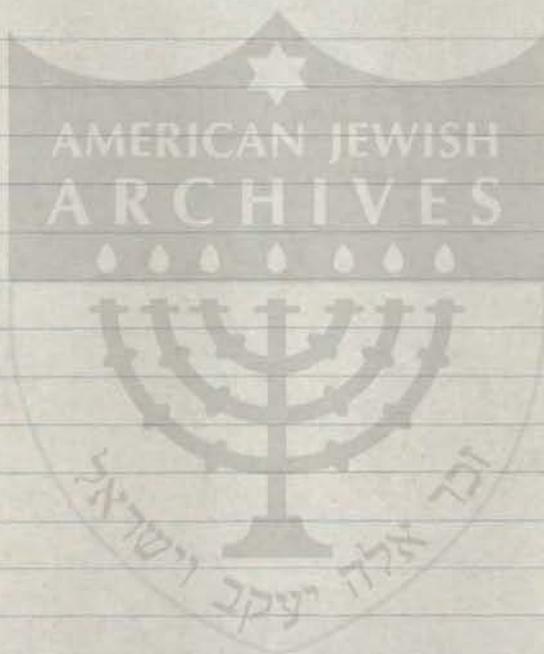
20. פְּגַד | בְּזַבְּזָבְזָב = פְּגַד רְגִיד

- 21 $\Delta\text{ה}$ - play with sacrifice - entreat - P chas.
all these women barren - seems
to be folklore of Hebrew that they were born
with difficulty.
- 22 confused text. meaning plain, however.
- 23 must have been written after David, after
Hebrew conquests of neighboring tribes.
- 25 וַיְנַצֵּח - all red, or only red hair?
Wool chosen to sew root of פָּזֶל
 בָּרִיא - hairy, also root of place name
 לְבָב - arabic root "Thick-haired", mature, ^{fully} ~~weak~~
Thus several etymological roots.
- 26 וְיַחֲדֵל - looks like shortened version. Most
Hebrew names are sentences - "God will
bear", etc. Full name is prob.
 לְקַנְתֵּחַ - God will trick, will reward,
will protect, will follow, etc. Aramean name.
- 27 פָּגַע - ? What did he do at home?
Prob. means he was more civilized or
urbanized than man of field. Or may
mean "perfect" in ethical sense to counter-
act effect of אָפָּל as tricky.
Jacob is composite character - both wily and
cunning and noble & kind. Prob. two versions.
- 29 בָּשָׂר - to boil, be effervescent (presumptuous)
- 30 כָּס - give me a little taste (כָּס)
 פָּזֶל - red stuff, red again - פָּזֶל etymology

31.

pl. - first of all, before anything
else.

Jacob was calculating - Isaac was impulsive.



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Geertz

Kaufman - attempt to account for birth of monotheism in scientific manner, with consideration for Torah also.

He is student of Tadmorite - believes that Jews will always be aliens unless they attempt a full territorial solution, outside of Palestine. This is positive Thesis. Negative is Emancipation.

wrote one essay on parasitic quality of Jewish economic life in Palestine.

Traditional - God revealed self to patriarchs + formed covenants with them.

However, degeneration led to paganism.

Scientific - ^{19th C.} Progress is from lower form to higher form - and paganism came first. St. Augustine opposes this. He has traditional view of degeneration of mankind.

Mono. adopted from Egy. solar monotheism, or from Baby. Wellhausen doesn't believe mono. taken from outside sources - but believes in internal Jewish development from pag. to mono. This implies that pag. was earliest view and lasted till destruction of Temple.

Earlier pag. not necessarily polytheistic. They believed in own god also believed that other nations had their own gods.

W. says mono. introduced by puppets - who broke down pag. and taught mono. Torah itself is later development out of teachings of puppets.

Thus, what is relationship between literature of Torah & that of prophets? If W. is wrong, then theory of intro. of mono. by prophets is correct. If Torah came before prophets, then there was earlier mono. and prophets simply emphasized from it.

Bible divided into 3 - Torah + earlier historical books, literary prophets + Hagiographa. In 1st, prophets in Kings are seen, etc. but not ethical mono. Further Amos, etc. not mentioned but only such as Samuel.

~~Prophets came before Torah~~. Acc. to the D Theory the lapses are religious and the punishment is for religious lapses - not moral + ethical. First catastrophe was golden calf - religious. Prophets castigated and attributed catastrophe to social + ethical errors. 3rd, Another difference is attitude towards ethical conduct vs. religious observance. Prophets stressed former.

→ Thus, W. Theory that Torah influenced by prophets is incorrect, acc. to Kaufman. Not a book of ~~literary~~ literary prophets but a book of Torah (D) aroused Jewish to reform.

Each of three layers in Bible is separate layer uninfluenced by others, ex. Heg. Torah precedes prophets or is contemporaneous or independent or parallel level, since prophets did not influence Torah but did influence Hagg.

Since Torah came first, and since mono. mentioned first in Torah, necessary to

W. says to look at stories and history, but
this is not proper source, says K. Rather look
at the laws

Examine development of Torah. K. divides law
into 3 sections: 1) J+E mainly in
Exodus; 2) P (Ex. Lev. Num.); 3) D.

In J+E God speaks to Moses, as though
He is talking to Israel; in D Moses speaks
to Israel in name of God. In 10 places
D enjoins love of God - not mentioned once
in P. Conclusion: 3 sections have separate
origins + development. W. places 3 in straight
line of historical devel. - each including the
previous. Thus K. differs again with W.

<sup>JF,
D,
P,</sup> Idea of one God is common to all 3 times,
<sup>as later,
within the</sup> but K. says These ideas are varied, and
three codes are parallel + independent.

Chronological order of books of Pentateuch:
Period of development ended with Josiah -
D. last book, written in That period. D is
first book to be crystallized and This process
ended in Ezra + Nehem. D is last book as
is shown by fact That it is only book to
talk about centralized worship - earlier books
condone ^{and} local. Also D must have been
book to influence Josiah's reform, because reforms
made are on basis of laws in D.

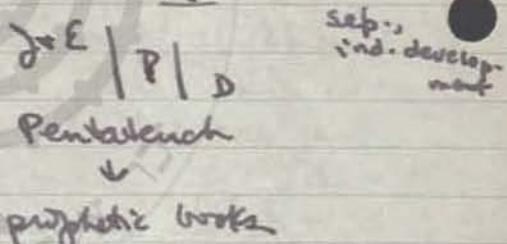
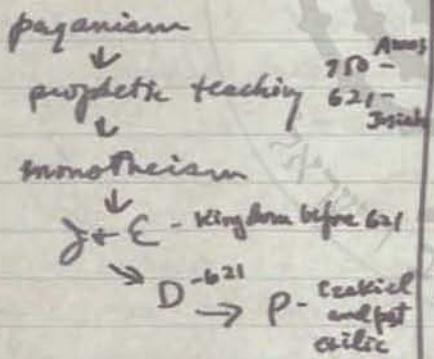
K. Thesis is That P preceded
the D or at least were parallel. This
is contrary to W who places P in exilic
times. Prof: P presupposes many places
of worship, is silent on point of centralization
of worship. Laws de Holiday in P do not
mention the pilgrimage to one place - not
yet known to P. (This is an argument of
silence.)

Another proof: relationship of priesthood to state. P does not regard priesthood as highest ruling body - not above King but at side of King. Two functions: ① oracle, God reveals self to King thru Urim & Thummim of priest ② give God's sanction to wars of Israel.

so not after D. During second Temple p'shah. priest did not exist (acc. to Kaufman), also priest did not bless war. ∴ P reflects an earlier condition when these functions did belong to the priesthood. This acc. to Kaufman, who then places P before D. Wellhausen places P after D.

$$P_w = P_D$$

Monothelism is present from beginning of R [Bible] history - Moses.



The prophetic psalms are post-exilic - but this is punctuated all thru. Opinion now is that very last thing - psalms - are pre-Israelite and albright calls Ps. 29 Canaanite.

Kaufman sums up distrust and contempt of modern scholars for this whole strained system of bref-well. theory

Kaufman's view comes now at a time when it is possible to conceive that Moses could have been a full monotheist. We see Moses at 1200-1300 BCE

as being fairly late in the 6- or 7 thousand years of recorded history. Also time was ripe - Ignatius, etc. A century ago G-W, knowing nothing of present archeological discovery, assumed that desert barbarians could not possibly have been of high spiritual stature. But world was old at time of Moses.

The Israelites would have been an insignificant Canaanish tribe had it not been for this event of historical importance, namely Moses & Sinai. There is no archeological parallel to the letters $\pi\lambda\omega$ which became the center of the Israelite religion.

Magnificent progress in last 20 years, with documents and archeology proving more things than ever known before, in re Bible and Biblical structure. We know now so much that we are no longer as certain as previous generations of scholars.

Bible is dialogue between monotheism of Sinai and paganism of Canaanite environment.

Rosenman is not the latest either. Alt has two categories 1: c - conflict between traditions of Israel with its monotheistic impulse and Canaanite paganism. This is perennial theme running through Jewish life, even today in America. History of Bible becomes significant because Israel prevailed against the current temptations of the day in Canaan. Every tired civilization will always revert in crises to Sinai.

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Bible Seminar - Kaufman - Goldfarb 9/24/42

Theory: Biblical religion not outgrowth of idolatry, but is monotheistic & without idolatrous elements (except for fragments of pre-mono. environment) Judaism springs into mono. from inception at Sinai - is not laborious growth from idolatry.

This doctrine proven by excavation - no images or idols found in biblical layers.

Two theories in re mono. - 1) result of developing poly. in Baby. - Hebrews must have gotten idea of mono. from Egypt, etc. - but Kaufman refutes this. Says Bible does not think of idols as poly, but as fetishes.

2.) outgrowth of idea of moral & social unity which naturehood gives to a people. K. says this inconclusive. Even in poly. religions there was unified idea of morality which did not lead to mono.

Israel freed God from destroying of eternal law by making Him The Cause, etc. Idolatry did not thus free its gods. Israel's God is absolute (except as circumscribed by man's free will) which is really only the fulfillment of God's will and all aspects of man's will which are evil are present. The fight against bad in history.

Bible did not know idolatry - people did not make covenant with new god of golden calf. The calf was the God, was not a symbol of any other God - and worship of it was fetish worship. There was no conflict between God and the calf.

Writers of Bible knew nothing of battle for mono. which had taken place very late.

What is idolatry? a being pre-God. (Baby. story of Tiannu) God, acc. to idolatry, is The

coming into being of a God - into the ω 's.

God is limited by powers outside of him -

In Greek pantheon gods are ruled by Fate.

Zeno does not know how to judge Achilles and Hector - has to consult fate.

A diviner is one who receives inspiration + wisdom from god, and is thereafter independent of the god.

God had to be strengthened annually by sacrifice - very often the killing of the God himself, whereupon he is reborn. Osiris. Men by learning and acting these ceremonies can control the gods.

K. cf. idolatry + Judaism.

Jew. religion did not develop in vacuum - has remnants of idolatry - but mainly it came to all Jews as an intuitive flesh, not only to prophets.

Use of varying names of God does not imply idolatry - but is inheritance from past.

Main diff. - God is One, has no family, is Absolute, obtains no authority from any other god. No Theogony in Bible. No pre-creation battle. No progeny from Him.

As for matter, secret of life, ω 's, it was created ω 's. Also first fish, etc., etc. all created ω 's. God may make use of forces of nature - ω 's, etc. but he is not dependent on them - They bend to his will.

Did God create evil? Battle in Bible over this. K. says man has free choice of fulfilling will of God or rebelling and sinning. God hardens the heart but does not cause man to sin. God withdraws repentance of man as this

"History is continual disturbance of the "moses" by the mischief of men."

punishment - Thus sin itself does not bring punishment.

Relation of man & God: Elijah saves child by god's help - not by sorcery. Men of God not priests but prophets. Magic considered a wisdom - as in idolatry - and practised by specially trained men.

As regards divination, most forms forbidden - except 5) Urim & Tummim, Ephod, breastplate, Prophesy . Res Shamma tablets substantiate that Ephod & Urim were garments worn by god priests while lots were being cast. They were removed of idolatrous content, i.e. of being able in themselves to draw forth secrets. In prophecy also - in Delphic oracle, comes word of God; prophet merely speaks words which cloth the ideas of God. Prophet not possessed of special marks & prophecy at any time - nor does he unite to with God. This is mono. concept - God reveals self at own will - prophet acts to man. This is not so in idolatry.

K. prop. Three layers:

1) changing idolatrous content

2) 12 J.

3) N. 30'

In sacrifices, people of Israel ate before God and not with him, as in idolatry.

In holidays, there are traces of idolatrous holidays - but no mythological elements.

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THESES Mono. began with Moses and people accepted this in a flesh.

Culture of Israel even in early days was non-idolatrous - lack of pantheon, magic, etc.

Thus K. rejects that Isr. religion has Canaanite roots; That pre-exilic Israel practiced idolatry.

He believes Isr. existed as nation before entrance into Pal. They came as military nation intent on conquest. All Canaan. were destroyed. But here is inconsistency - because later puppets adopted v. traffic with the Canaan. But K. says only Can. on borders (like Edomites, etc.) exerted influence on Jews. Canaan. living within real Isr. land were all destroyed.

When pottery degenerated, culture of war lowered and buildings became cruder at the time the Isr. came into land - K., supported by archaeology, feels this indicates a complete destruction of indigenous people and failure on part of conquerors to absorb their culture.

All things deemed to be abominations (sacrificing to god or using name of god) were really not - but were all dedicated to God - simply different means to a proper end.

Idolatry had no effect on literary culture of Israel - songs, poems, legends, etc. all centered around God.

Use of idols and which were part of polytheism-worship. Origin was idolatry, but practice was for sake of God. (cf. Mexicans taking acts to worship and using it in worship of Madonna.)

1/21

W. believes Theocracy was post-exilic, when priests preached that monarchy was sinful.

K. believes Theocracy was only pre-exilic, and that monarchy after exile was considered ideal.

Prophet is vehicle which brought about Isr. belief. Early prophets called *shib'ot* or *se'i'ir*. Vision came to individual, away from society (soznd). W. believes priest and prophet were once one, then functions separated. (Moses orig. performed sacrifices also.) K. disagrees with this - attributes of prophet are that he doesn't belong to group, not subject to special schooling, no family inheritance of his position, etc. Also prophecy has no connection with sanctuary or priesthood (Deborah).

Idol. prophecy was cleavage with God. Isr. prophecy was will of God, expressed through the prophet as the messenger (*nabi*). This begins with Moses - typical of men specifically sent by God to deliver message to people. Hope and expectation for new such man every generation. Moses proved his prophethood by signs - thereafter unnecessary for others to do so. Burning-Bush was first revelation of God to *nabi* *sidi* - first to man in world.

Three things at Sinai:

- 1) Inspired prophecy
- 2) Belief in God
- 3) Nationhood.

The appearance of the first inspired prophet was the beginning of belief in the word.

Egypt and Israel - Stein - 4/14/42

E. rule in Palest. ended in 950. An E.-Can. culture existed until 1380 - but influence lasted until 1200 (Memphite style). E. garrison at Beisan 1160. By 1100 E. prestige had fallen: Ben-Ammi received scant courtesy.

A.S. Yehuda: Heb. language influenced by E. from Joseph to Moses. Patriarchs brought Aramaic dialect to Egypt - went back with strong E. influence. And in Can. they found Can. lang. also Egyptianized. Yehuda places Joseph before Hyksos - i.e. c. 1700 BC.

Some scholars (Dorn) combat this thesis and offer Akkadian analogies for Hebrew terms, so Heb. need not necessarily only be influenced by Egypt. E. in Heb. called p'shur - indicating Upper & Lower E. This is parallel to E. name for the land.

Yehuda and Spiegelberg fought it out for 10 rounds. S. (acc. to Spiegel) is an Egyptologist and a good one, and the argument should prob. be on S. side. (whole argument?)

In regard to early Ben. stories, Y. finds only one genuine Akk. influence - the word p'shur. All other he says is E. - the snake, the flood, etc. Heb.-Eg. parallels in etymology of names and in loan-words. Y. says שׁוֹרֵרָה (prison) is from E. - Dorn says sare is Akk. word meaning "to enclose". Also זְדָה is pure Hebrew.

Thus, Y. falls short in proving his theory. But he is right in provoking discussion re. The traditional acceptance that all influence is merely Can. and Akk. There is no doubt that there was prehistoric interaction of E. and Semitic lang. - but Yehuda lets his point badly.

In Vulgate, 20% associated with Jeremiah. At one point they may have been combined.

Josephus says Jer. composed dirge for Josiah's funeral. But this is too early. Written after 586 and before 538.

With exception of ch. 5, no hope for end of Babylon.

Objections to Jer. authorship:

- 1.) Lacks prophetic spirit & type
- 2.) Contra. between Lam. + Jer.
- 3.) Had Jer. written it, wouldn't have referred so well to wicked Hezekiah.
- 4.) Occurrence of quotations from Isa. 5.

L. 2, 4 24, 16 ff E.

L. 2, 14 13, 6 ff E.

L. 2, 15 27, 3 E.

L. 4, 6 16, 46-56 E.

L. 4, 20 19, 4-8 E.

- 5.) Entire work of Lam. could not have been written by one author. Ch. 1 has 2 following to as today; 2 and 3 have reverse. Opening verse analogous to Isa. 1, 21. No logical development of thought in first ch. - very logical in 2nd ch. Ch. 3 has char. of own - similar to Ps. 88. Chap. 4 similar to 2. Ch. 5 is prayer.

Po 25, 111, 112, 114, 145 - omit letters in alphabetic psalms.

Subject of book is capture of city
by Nebuchadnezzar.

- Ch. 1 - describes solitary condition of Jew.
- " 2 - repeats - trouble befall people
who had turned w. God.
- " 3 - old man speaks that punishment
is from hand of God.
- " 4 - repeats 2
- " 5 - prayer for deliverance - diff. from others.

Rabbis all said Jer. wrote the Book.
They disagree about time, however.

"No similar book in lit. of non-Jews" ^{Steindhal}



Song of Songs - Schnitzer

4/21/42

Morris Jastrow, Jr. holds that book is series of independent songs all dealing with sexual love, brought together in an anthology. Attempt to unify them spoils their beauty and destroys meaning. They are folk songs with simple thoughts.

They are included ^{in this} by force of popular appeal to which scholars had to yield at the time.

Some means had to be found to merge these songs into a religious work - so they were given allegoric interpretation of God & Israel as lover.

Jastrow says that only three references to Solomon are real: 1,5 : 8, 11+12. He is synonymous with royal estate. As grand monarch, he becomes symbol of richness. Legends about Solomon as great lover would also bring about association of him with the book by later editor.

23 love lyrics. Jas - eliminates Solomon's influence - term King only used as term of glorified lover.

Ch. 1 vv. 2-4 from separate song

vv. 5-6 new song introduced, sharply different - no comparison except saucy tone of sex.

vv. 7-8, 9-17

ch. 2 - entirely new song
vv. 1-7

vv. 8-14 another change, in metrical system

If whole book one unit, why two dreams:

3, vv. 1-4 ; 5, vv. 2-8

Why 4 descriptions of lover?

4, 1-7 5, 10-16
6, 6-7
7, 2-10

- Ch. 1, 5-6 "The Saucy Maiden"
Ch. 2, 15 "The Fox is in The Vineyard"
just a scratch, something missing
Ch. 3, 6-11 "Wedding Song" - while bride being
carried to home of bridegroom.

Style vs. Action

Antiquated point of view of Jastrow - horrible

1. Allegory secularity and cynicism. Delitzsch called it
2. Drama a drama with five acts, etc. - divided chapters
3. Anthology into coherent unity of drama. Then the critics who believed in this anthology idea won the day.

4. Mimos - idyllic song staged by few actors - singing interspersed with dramatic parts. (Bebheit)

5. Reversion to #1, ^{but different.} It is sacred play of love of gods, played in honor of bride + groom. In Jev. 22 forms of funeral are taken from the gods and honor done to the deceased as a god. Parallel in single wedding - distinction given to couple who enact the love of the gods - They are no longer plain villagers but have divine nobility, representatives of divinity on earth.

Story of development of ideas on this book is story of human mind.

Ruth - Greenberg

4/28/42

Marriage of Ruth & Boaz, and its relation to the levirate marriage.

Deut. 25 contains law of lev. mar. to ensure progeny, and perpetuation of name of dead husband.

In Ruth, she acts in loyalty to her husband, even though he and his brothers are all dead.

Naomi is bitter. There is one kinsman sufficiently close, but he refuses - then Boaz steps in and takes his place. Son Ruth bears to Boaz is called Obed. Naomi gets credit for marriage, becomes nurse of child, and is said to have continued the house.

White object of lev. mar. is to ensure progeny - it also refers to taking over property. Action of brother represents sacrifice because he would have gotten property for self.

Boaz buys Elimelech's property, after announcing to recalcitrant relative this intention. He brought Ruth along with it, which is part of bargain which first redeemer did not want to undertake.

But problems: 1) how did Naomi come to be in possession of dead husband's field? wife does not inherit husband. 2) Next of kin is ordinary interitor - why does redeemer have to buy the land?

Peterson says book is not his tribal - written long ex post facto, and far removed from old law of property. Burroughs says book is valid expression of Jewish law, representing one stage in development. Marriage of Boaz & Ruth is step in folk custom pre-Brit. : between time when whole clan was responsible to see that women got next husband and time when only brother-in-law was responsible.

No answer to first question. Other question (why did Ruth & Boaz have to glean in someone else's field if they had one of own?) answered by saying that their field too small. Second question answered Burroughs by saying that difficulty exists only for those who hold that book is solely concerned w/ lev. man. If book also concerned with redemption of land to prevent loss to clan, then that is ~~question~~ answer here. Ruth's position is that of a dependent who also happens to be marriageable. If the question is only one of redemption, then why does Boaz have obligation to raise son in name of dead husband as in lev. man.?

Lev. man. is family affair while redemption-man. is clan affair. Thus Book of Ruth is transitional state between these two.

Burroughs attacks view that book is anachronical - holds that book typifies this transition period. Author of book was interested in all details of custom.

Verification of custom of pulling off shoe found in Nuzi tablets (1300-1200) (found near Nineveh - written in Assyrian). Ordinary manner of testifying at exchanges or redemptions was to pull off shoe. In N. tablets, man, at sale of land, would lift up his foot and place foot of other man on it. Pulling off shoe was simply extension of this.

Purpose of Book and Date:

- 1.) Cahana - book written because of interest in genealogy of David, who was discredited as having a Moabite ancestor. Author (Rabbis say Samuel because of his support of David) wants to portray Ruth as wonderful woman.
- 2.) Driver says date pre-exilic, also believes primary purpose is genealogy of David.
Against This is offered language, which is late - but D. says purity & simplicity is old.
- 3.) Plan for toleration in re intermarriage.
Against ^{that} This is ^{the plan} not brought out very clearly or prominently. If this was aim it is concealed. But perhaps people at that time understood it. Thus impossible to ascertain possible to decide.
Date in this case would be latter half of 5th C.

S.S. - If we accept Bnn. That book is between period of tribal responsibility and later individual responsibility of brother in Dent. 25 (terminus ad quem b2) how can this be equivocated with conclusion that it is exilic or post-exilic?

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1. question of authorship
2. question of Daniel + 4 Kingdoms.
 1. Scholars now hold dual authorship
1st 6 chapters deal with Daniels life.
2nd 6 " " " visions.
Latter half considered Macc. and former
considered earlier.
 2. Daniels Mede in ch. 2 + 7
4 Kingdoms - Three views
 - a.) Baby., Median, Persian, Greek
 - b.) " Medo-Persian, " of Alex, Alex's successor
 - c.) " " " RomanThis prob. in essence is who is '4th kingdom'?

Author of Daniel confused fall of Baby. in 538 with second fall in 330. First one brought about fall of Kingdom under Belshazzar. Second was Daniels.

Daniels The Mede was a fictitious character - nonhistorical - doesn't fit in the roll between Cyrus and Cambyses.

Ch. 2 + 7 spoke of 4 kingdoms which will be followed by an enduring Kingdom of heaven. The ideas in both chaps. are identical.

What was 4th? Traditional view is Roman - some say Greek, which would allow 2nd to be Median, and would make author Macc.

In ch. 2 4th King. is of iron and clay, which emphasizes nature of duality of Seleucid empire after Alexander. There was some intermarriage between Ptolemies and Seleucids. Ch. 11, 6 (^{Berossus}) - 11, 17 (Cleopatra). This is mingling of iron and clay.

Other proofs that authorship & date are Mac. Torrey on basis of ch. 2, 1-23 holds it is ca. 245.

Ten horns ^{7:7} are held to be line of Seleucid monarchs.

15 Persian words found in book, which also speaks for later authorship.

3 Greek words (names of musical instruments.) - also late.

Spiegel

Who is 4th King. is of extreme importance in Hebrew messianology. From Ezra first 4th was Medes, hence 3rd was Roman, etc.

Christendom fascinated by this doctrine.

Jonah learns lesson of repentance from his experience with the gourd - and thus the book is written by prophet who criticizes own conduct

II. Trumbull tries to make historicity of miracle possible. Baby. would regard him as a reincarnation of fish-god Dagon - and would listen to him more. This sounds reasonable - except that Yahweh would not want to send His message through representative of another god (hence no Hebrew writer could have intended this.)

Many maritime peoples have narratives of fishermen swallowed and then miraculously disgorged. Common story. But here story has religious connotation.

III. How about ps. in Chapt. It? Beware ps. ps. was in margin, and if at all should be after v. 11, when Jonah is spewed up - then he could say words of thanks for deliverance. Instead it is kept in after v. 2.

Was the ps. written by author of Jonah? Although ps. is general, that doesn't mean anything.

IV. Dating between 800 and 200 - cannot be more specific. If in II Kings 14:21, Then it was period of Jer. II.

V. S.S. - Problem of prophet who is ashamed by failure to happen of events he prophesied - he promised destruction - it doesn't happen. So Jonah leaves God and escapes. Answer of book

Frank - Jonah

5/18/42

1) Purpose of creation of book? Not record of events, but story with moral. Beyer says author tries to teach Jews love of God. Kimchi supports theory that Jonah story nationalistic.

Conception of God as universal (Ex. Gen.) not believed by Jews, who wanted God to strike their enemies. Author of Jonah wanted to call people back to wide concept of God.

Jonah 4, 2 is high point.

2) Some scholars regard book as allegory - Jonah is Israel - fish is Babylon - after prayer, it was disengaged - and restored. Then people prayed for God to take vengeance on enemies. Against theory of allegory is fact that enemy is defined 3 ways - Nineveh, sea, fish.

Jesus spoke words "sign of Jonah" - This interpreted ^{as} to mean 3 days Jonah was in fish (like 3 days Jesus was in earth.) Beyer does not believe this. And critics consider this v. in Matt. a gloss.

F.D.S. Gostein - Jour. Pales. Oriental Soc. - 1937 - Jonah is miracle stake in tradition of prophets. J. flees service of God - but God's agents resist him. Wind reminds him, but he sleeps; Then the Throwing of lots, but J. is indifferent (Throw me into the sea); Then the fish. All the signs are obedience of nature in contrast to disobedience of man.

Jonah is hurt that God spares Nineveh - and God has to show him that He is merciful (parable of Jonah.) (Chap. IV)

is magnificent. Does Jonah want destruction to come, so that he shall be vindicated, or would he rather see mercy and repentance prevail? This is wise. Nineveh is picked deliberately as a wicked city - That makes the choice for mercy even more God-like. This is a choice against personal temper getting the best of a man.



Troy - Exile + Restoration

5/1942

Torrey says B. exile is pure fiction of Greek period. Before exile life of people was prophetic — after it, legal. Exile draws sharp line.

T. says Jews in B. never exercised influence over Jews in Judea, and probably never returned, as Ezra + Neh. said. Census of 4,600 exiles return as 42,000 within 50 years. How can this be?

Chronicles task was to establish authority of Palestine culture which had been challenged. Jews of Second Temple had to prove that they, in distinction from Jews elsewhere, had true tradition from Moses.

Samaritans, e.g., offered competition at Shechem.

Necessary to have a formal restoration and they chose agency of return from Babylon with return of priests, etc. Chronicler wrote 2/3 Ezra + Nehemiah, besides his own books.

Nothing known about Persian period — so he could fill in as he wished. In 2 Chron., he says true tradition is in south — and so in Ezra + Neh. T. claims Chron. has created character of Ezra, modeled after himself — concerned with temple culture and genealogy of priests, against intermarriage.

Ablight completely disagrees with Torrey. Excavations disprove T.

T. explains II Jewish

T. explains Ezekiel in three strata, each of different origin. Bulk of book is "original prophecy" composed about 230, is historical novel of wicked day of Manasseh. Orig. proph. is pseudoprophet. T. cites old tradition against reading 1st and last part before 30 years old. Was old tradition.

Spiro - Chayim has reasons why immature students should not read beginning & end.

Question - will God survive destruction of Temple in 586? answered by The Chayim, which carried God away where he could be saved by The angels, removed from scene of destruction.

Book of Ezekiel questioned Palestine's authority - it was prophecy from outside land.

S.S. - Toney has some validity. Great bulk of Hebrew literature born on Hebrew soil not in exile. How many were exiled? Several thousand? Bulk of Jewish pop. remained on its soil - and main cleavage of exile is distorted picture. Group of refugees in Babylonia minute and unknown. And Babylonian administrators of Palestine could not change the depths of Jewish life.

So far as Eut is concerned S.S. cannot accept Toney's decision that because there was no exile, there is no exile prophet.

Pfeffer says name Kotelet for Solomon was suggested by 1 Kings 8:1

Jastrow divides Ecc into two books - one he will reconstruct, other is traditional. He calls K. a "gentle cynic" - which describes character of reconstruction. K. has sympathy for man's struggle, but smiles at reformers trying to change human nature. K. is easy-going dilettante - does not solve problem of life - he sees no solution because he sees no aim. Main conclusion is that life is paradox - life is made to be enjoyed, yet enjoyment is vanity. This six way old book was say Jastrow.

But it offended The pious, and could not be permitted as it was. Book corrected 1) to make utterances conform to Solom., 2) make teachings more palatable.

1. How could anyone conceive of making these changes? Pious had "no guilty heart". Authorship in modern sense was unknown - all was anonymous, and titles were absent. Book was compilation of collective authors. Editors of K. had perfect right and no sense of guilt in adding changes.

2. What were the changes, & additions?

K. original remark is in 3, 12-13. Pious remark is v.14. 99 is K. advice - 11:9 is warning of pious commentator. This is one type - namely warnings against Job's cynicism - pious commentator vs.

Second type of addition is introduction of maxims to strengthen Solomon's authorship, and to contrast cynical attitude. There are twelve - 40 verses. Eg. - ^{chap. 10} v. 14 say we thing. Then maxim in v. 15 is altogether different.

4:4 talks of one Thing, 4:6 continues - but
4:5 is插入 in rejected. These interruptions
take up 1/6 of entire book.

Third type of addition is "apologetic
statements" in ch. 12. 12:12 seems to apologize
for whole book. Purpose of this is to suggest
that even if there are still doubts after all a book
is only a book, and not to be taken too seriously.

Why book could not have been written
by Solomon (acc. to Mekhilah)

- 1) language is late - Aramaic impossible to be 10thc.
- 2) Subject matter is inconceivable to be 10thc.
influenced by late Greek + Egyptian thought
- 3) Chapt. 3,



Friedman, A. Psalms
Friedman, M. " "
Menachem - Proverbs

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Book is collection of collections - & are discernible, and even these have smaller subdivisions.

Some collections are pre-exilic + some post-
600-200.

Nature of Hebrew wisdom - what is nature of *דִּבְרָה*? In early OT - it meant native intelligence - 2 Sam 14,2 - Gen 41,39 - special skill. In Proverbs, it means more - it is product of experience in the light of reason. Wise men were teachers of rules of conduct - of how to live practically. Main object was not to teach abstract knowledge but rules of daily life - love was not supernatural but combination of experience + reason directed toward manners.

Advice given to young men - "If the advice is followed, wealth + long life are gained."

24:4 wealth to be acquired by intelligence
10:4 diligence

27:23 reward for diligence

24:30 against laziness, which results in poverty
23:21 against drunkenness

Pleasures not to be shunned but moderated - Law of Golden Mean.

31:6 - permit wine

Two groups - acceptance of Retribution - and rejection of this doctrine

Pragmatic morality is basis of utilitarian comfort. Are proverbs merely secular?

To the psgs ethics and religion are inseparable.

In first collection ch. 1-9 wisdom is personified as transcendent, but subordinate to God.

Bleekley lists 100 comparisons between Hebrew proverbs and various wisdom books of Egypt + Babylonia - all part of general world-wisdom literature. The general similarities are part of ordinary common human experience. But there is a special collection 22:17-23:24 which is so strikingly close to a Babylonian book Aman-Enegi, that there must be a connection.

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"Hebrews had some best-sellers of foreign lands, in Hebrew. There was always exchange of such of sapiential literature."



Amos

time of Jeroboam II (Uzziah in Judah) c. 750
cf. Morgenstern, Amos Studies.

Kittel system

prob. add. - probably added

fit Rep. foot - perhaps should be transposed after
dl c G - deleted in accordance with Greek text.

l? - shall we read?

Three parts of book of Amos:

1. Oracles

ch. 1, 2

2. Sermons

ch. 3-6

3. Visions

ch. 7-9

Amos first of literary prophets. Since he
is easily dated, he can serve as a basis of
comparison. Wrote in poetry.

Hebrew poetry is stress - rather than Latin and
Greek which is quantity, i.e. exact number of feet,
regardless of where stress falls. Heb. poetry resembles
early Anglo-Saxon, in that stress determines the
length of a line - not the number of syllables.
The stress is natural, corresponding to prose pronun-
ciation of word. There is also division of lines
into half. Strophe is a group of verses - 4-6
lines, which has organic connection with other
strophes. Parallelism is common feature of Heb. poetry,
may be synonymous or may be antithetic or may
be synthetic (carrying idea further).

Two outstanding features: stress with
uneven number of syllables - and parallelism.

Jerome, usually good commentator, called Amos "idle in speech". This is probably because of the simple thing described - yet Amos had quite good literary style. We appreciate his turn of phrase.

Ch. I

1. 3 पू - may refer to spotted sheep-
^{Arabic} Akkadian word means "shepherd"

Refers to specialized shepherd probably

3 पू - 12 m. S. Jerusalem. 2700 ft. high
good sheep country.

25 न - old Israelite word - given up for later
word 25 न. 25 न retained sense of
seeing visions.

फू ८ - prophecy primarily directed to Israel

25 न - pub. glo? ?

prophetic reign from 780-745. Assyrians
began with Aramaeans and Damascus, so Judah
& Israel enjoyed prosperity. In 745 Tiglath-
Pileser came to Palestine & demanded tribute. Acc. to
II Kings 17, 23ff. Assyria conquered all territory from
Damascus to Dead Sea.

6 वृ १२ - which earthquake? possibly
the same as mentioned in Zechariah.

2. Verse seems to be later addition, because
after superscription one expects prophecy begin.
This verse seems to be extraneous. Also this
verse found in Joel 4, 16 - connection may
be word ८), which ^{editor} wants to remind
people of - Thus inserted. This assumes that
Joel was known at time ^{editor} Amos was writing.
Joel prop. written about 400. Thus editing of Amos

was late. Even and of 0.1 pounds like later editor placing the date. Of course, any inscription is added later.

3. begins prophecy - genuine words of Amos.
main beat is 3 stresses per half line
with 7:3:2:1 outside the metrical scheme.

3b. - either half the verse is lost (acc. to Moore) or 7:3:2 is to be removed as later gloss explaining 7:3:2:1, then beat is exactly three.

On three or four - common figures.
(for each & every, e.g.) not contradictory.

- 1:13:2:1 - I will not permit him to return to my favor - exact meaning unclear. God angry with Syria. Why?

7:3:2 - Threshing flails or sledges. Because these torture instruments were applied to the captives of Gilead.

4. Therefore He will send fire on the dynasty of Hazael, which will devour the palaces of 3:3:2 / 3 - again a dynastic term.

5. Amos may have foreseen eventual doom of Damascus, due to their inhumanity of Gileadite prisoners.

1:11c - sin, vanity, folly, iniquity. May be 1:10, referring to Heliopolis (sun-city), in a pun, disfiguring the name.

Gee 7:1h - holder of scepter.

13:1d - north of Druze.

7:7f - unknown - somewhere in Moabian territory. Captured populations transferred usually.

3

don't know whether this chp. contains prophecy
of chp. 2 or is start of new one - at any rate
> 23rd c. BC marks a fence - prob. further
development of same thought.

1 either God is speaking or Amos, not much
difference so far as meaning goes.
-> NCF - outside the meter.

2 "motto of book of Amos" - Wellhausen.
national god expected to protect his people -
Amos defies this and says that He will punish
them instead of protecting them. This was stunning
blow to people. Amos was first man ever
to say this. Elijah + Elisha didn't say that.

'^{לֹא} בְּסִבְרָה' - to know best of all, to choose.

סֹבֵר - use for in comparative sense, not
in exclusive sense.

3. ff-9; where there is cause there is effect - where
Israel has sinned, she will be punished. Metaphors
are taken from life. v.7 seems to be later,
since it destroys the mood of the passage by
virtue of being prosaic and employing late words
(13:10 ^{וְשָׁמֶן}). In v.4 ^{לֹא} בְּסִבְרָה is metrically
superfluous and in v.5 to the first ha
is also niet. super. - should be 'יְהִי' or better
left out altogether.

All these things are inevitable, if one condition is true.

3. God + Israel have willed their association.

4. Lion is Assyria.

5. If conditions are ripe for destruction of Israel
it is sure to fall.

9ff -- some say similar to Ezek. 5 where other nations called to witness disgrace of Israel.

3/32/c should be 3/10/c (exx)

סְכִינָה instead of סְכִינָה

פְּרַטְתִּים - passed, panic-stricken, not dispersed.

10 32/1 ONLY - Those who accumulate wealth which is the result of violence & robbery.

11 פְּנִימָה - trouble encompasses.

3/2/2/1 - push

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12 b very corrupt - first part clear, Israel's destruction will be practically complete ; second part refers vaguely to comforts & luxuries or furniture.

13 1/3/2/2 - to warn

Full names & titles of each

14 Again, theme of v. 2

15 סְכִינָה - together with summer house is roof of winter house, not two different houses.

פְּנִימָה - houses inlaid with ivory panels actually have been found.

פְּרַטְתִּים פְּרַטִּים - also ivory, instead of פְּרַטִּים פְּרַטִּים, to be synonymous with פְּנִימָה.

4

Begins again סְכִינָה פְּנִימָה פְּרַטִּים - attack against inferior nobles of Samaria. Broken in volcanic territory where soil is rich and fine

grow fat. Refers to fat ladies of licentiousness.

2 יְהוָה - by his holiness, not sanctuary
פֶּרֶא בַּדָּה - imminent future

26 - difficult people → יְהוָה
נִזְבֵּח - hooks
נִזְבֵּחַ - also hooks

Horevians fastened hooks to lips of captives and dragged them that way. This is threat to these fine ladies that they will be dragged thusly.

3 צְבָא אֱמֹנָה - Armies, or place name - obscure

4. turns to religious aspects of Samarian life.

סְדֵה - near Jericho

צְבָא - morning after animal bring sacrifices,
next day bring tithes.

People bring sacrifices yet still sin in hearts.

5 יְהוָה יְהוָה - all Van

בְּשֻׁלָּח - thank offering

פְּנִים - later forbidden by Priestly legislation,
because it was part of pagan ritual. In
Amos' time פְּנִים still OK.

Five chartrements go unheeded W b-11

6 פֶּתַח - in spite of fact, whereas

לִפְנֵי - cleansers of teeth, famine, nothing
to eat

7 withheld rain at time it was expected

רְגָנָר should be רְגָנָה .

8 drought.

9 /1032 - mildew, blight

10 7732 → 7732
773 (death of first-born)
practical - omit vowel

11 Terrible earthquake
barely snatched from complete destruction. People have not learned from all above punishments, and have not returned.

12 Therefore, The warning comes, prepare to meet my God O Israel. Future threatened but left in terrible doubt.

13 Doxology, one of 4 or 5 in Amos. These prob. later additions belonging to religious philosophy developed in 5th and 4th c.

773 → 773 - old Canaanite phrase in Ugarit texts, God represented as striking the heights of the earth.

5

773 meter is in measure 3, 2. Each stichos so divided. Effect of such beat is pathos-second part trails off plaintively. Begins in v.2 - v.1 merely introduction. 773 can also be used in taunting - Is. 21

3 773 773 interrupts the meter
- 11, 3' - amounted to
v.3 considered possible gloss - post-criptic

45 varied pattern of 2's and 5's. Parallelism usually brings out a 3-beat pattern - This,

alternating with the :-), indicates the mood of various parts of the prophecy. Prophecy usually extempore to extent that it is unwritten at first - the general idea is present and there were established forms into which their expressions would fall. Then they started speaking and utilized patterns.

Doesn't Beersheba seem to be out of place as being too far south? Rather strange - also in parallelism it is lacking one section. Prof. later gloss.

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St. 28 2nd - play

St 2nd becomes 2nd, vocalized 11/2
Beth-on place near Beth-el.

5b also discarded as later post-critic, but R.M. doesn't think this is justified. Amos could have seen the coming destruction and exile.

6 corrupted text. What does 11:3 mean? Suggested: כְּסָרֵךְ or כְּסָרֶךְ.

and as for סָרֵךְ at end, should be סָרֶךְ in parallelism to בָּלִי

7 sugg. That this go with 10 and 11 - in other words put more things and natural things together - don't split them.

וְשַׁבְּ - wormwood, bitter, spit out.

וְלֹטֵל - throw it away, cast it to ground

graphic figure to show perversion of justice. They treat it as if it were something loathsome.

- 8 σ° - Orion - also means fat, thick
(comes to mean thick-headed fool)
 ω° - cluster, heap, Pleiades

$\pi\eta\beta^3$ - (root β^3 with abstract ending $\pi\eta$)
doesn't mean "shadow of death" - but rather
dark valley or darkness.

RM suggests present 'j/ers' betw. 7
and 8 and 8 is a definition of the God
whom they are to seek. 7 refers to those
who don't seek God. (ie ω°) RM feels should
stay at end of v. Others suggest putting it at
beginning and then again root of verse is definition.

- 9 $\epsilon^{\circ}\sigma^{\circ}N$ - in Akk. it means "be cheerful" -
to cause to flesh

32 is commonplace word after brilliant figure $\epsilon^{\circ}\sigma^{\circ}N$
Also rare that 32 used twice in two sections.

Sugge. - 32 \rightarrow $\sigma^{\circ}e$: $\sigma^{\circ}g$ \rightarrow $\sigma^{\circ}g$
Bull Ram

another planetary figure as Orion: Pleiades.
Thus 9 would follow 8 as an astronomical
analogon figure.

- 10 Back to moral problem - again refers to
objects of God's wrath.
3-3 meter

- 11 $p^{\circ}o^{\circ}e^{\circ}i^{\circ}a$ - strange form. o is sort of
orthographic mark to indicate e should
be read 'e'. Root is $e^{\circ}i^{\circ}a$ - to tread.

λικην - tribute

λίστρα - lawn stones represented expensive permanent investment of rich, which they won't enjoy anyhow.

σπέντρα - selected grapes, choice fruits perhaps for export.

12 τάσις - bribe, not ransom

13 wife man keeps silent out of discretion.

μέτεποτε almost always refers to future. But what does it mean? Punishment will be so bad on that future day that even a decent man will be afraid to say anything and be glad if he can escape scot-free.

14 μετόπο - if you want to live - seek good
μετάποτι /μετάπο/ sometimes means "since" if people really reform then God will be /μετά with them.

15 λίστερ - refers to those left in Israel after the first Assyrian attacks against Gilad and Gilead. Or may refer to chosen few who will be left after general debacle to come.

16 τύπα → πύργος (shelters)

ἰα-ἰω - wailing cry. Ει-Ει is Greek.

16 b corrupted - prob. trap. Sic before 300 N

στάλε - indicates mourning will take place in country

18 dualism of light & darkness.

19 Hindu legend - man blocked on both sides by lion & tiger - jumps into well wherein is cobra - sees honey on wall & licks it. Hindu moral is that even in danger man takes pleasure of moment. Hebrews moral is different but strange coincidence between stories - same animals named.

20 ~~su~~ - extreme darkness
~~su~~ - brightness of rising sun at dawn.

21 ~~t~~n - holiday ~~t~~n - to dance in circles
n'sk - less literal meaning than "well"
p'si'sgo - p'si'sgo - prof. to approve; take pleasure in, enjoy.
p'si'sgo - closing days of festivals.

22 one 3-beat phrase missing, after 1/1's

24 great moral & ethical singing
/¹ts₂ ts₃ - perennial stream, not drying up
in summer.

25 p'ns₂s₃ - "s" indefinite - either ²s₃ or ²s₃.

26 Ns₂ - /l₂ - stars worshipped -
mentioned also in Amarna letters.

27 Because you have worshipped these stars, I
shall exile you. But this couldn't also
refer to sacrifices in desert in U.25, because
that wouldn't be wrong, except if accompanied by
later backsliding.

6

- 1) *Hoi - cry of warning*
יְהִי - refers to Judah as well as Israel
בָּרַךְ - to designate, be called
בָּרַךְ לְךָ - should be parallel to בָּרַךְ לְךָ יְהִי
- 2) *p'əlō pəkōd - are you better*
- 3) *רְאֵל → רְאֵל par. to p'l.*
- 4) *p'pən - fatred*
- 5) *p'g'ad - ^{RM}crumble food, break bread to accompaniment of music
- (regularly) to chatter, chant,
3'37 - from - disturb meter + sense*
- 6) *p'zsh - spitting vessel - if. blood or other impudence to drink from alt vessel
b.c. - sometimes placed as 13 b.*
- 7) *p'n̄z̄o p's̄z̄n > - play - "jewelry of wristers will be routed" - R.M.*
- 8) *z/p' - p'k̄s - put it back to v.7 or drop it.*
- 9-10 *difficult - phys. gloss - on very confused description of plague & destruction. Simply a great disaster with hardly any survivors.*
9. *Is it reference to Sodom & Gomorrah?*
10. *Who is The burner?*
Very obscure - seems fragmentary

11) פֹּסֶד - complete shattering
פְּסַד - splitting

12) פִּשְׁעָן

indicating The unnatural order of things
which these nobles are introducing by their
rites - i.e. turning justice upside down, etc.

13) זָבֵךְ - of no value

13 b - introduce prof. &c.

פִּזְזֵה - strength, power

14) זָהָר - ^{dark green} but, however, in app. to idea of 13 that
זָהָר with פִּזְזֵה indicating imminent
future - common usage.

Three visions, interrupted by historical
episode between Amos & Amaziah. Then
visions continue. Prob. the Am. episode is
interjected at the particular point.

Will not assume naively that each
prophecy was delivered at various seasons of
nature. That he waited for fitting season -
but must assume that he preached continuous.

1.) זָבֵךְ instead of זָהָר, meaning
bwoad or swarm. But this is strained.
Must be זָהָר after זָהָר.

Amos had vision of God creating locusts.
כְּפָד - grass, after-growth in early
summer - and occurs on Greg calendar

בְּרַב → בְּרַב - large locusts
 בְּמִזְבֵּחַ - moving of King → steering
of sheep. Yet no point here in
mentioning sheep.

Whole verse confused - prob. only a means
of dating time of locusts, from creation to state
of full-grown.

- 2) וְלֹא ~~לֹא~~ כִּי כִּי - simply rearrangement of
letters - but makes sense.
To eat up completely - to finish eating.
" - is it possible that?
- 3) abrupt beginning of verse. God repents.
Is this literal? Or are locusts a symbol
of devouring Assyria?
- 4) Second אֶלְעָזָר may be dropped
 אֶלְעָזָר לֹא לֹא taken lit. - summon to a
trial by fire
 אֶלְעָזָר לֹא - one of suggested emendations.
Idea, however, is clear.

פָּתָח - early mythological word - Tiamat
 פָּתָח → " פָּתָח - The territory of God.

- 5) parallel to v. 2
- 6) par. to v. 3

7) Did God show Amos himself standing with plumbline? or did he show him a man standing with line? In Greek text and in Zechariah, he sees an εἰκόνη holding the line.

πλευρή σοῦ → οὐδὲν σύ and leave πλευρή to next part.

8) ἐστι τοῦτο οὐτέ - no longer forgive, pass over

9) οὐτα may be concluding part of some other vision - and from here to end of ch. prob. an introduction. Visions to be continued in ch. 8, v. 1.

πλευρή - strange use of name & strange spelling.
ασσύριος - symbol of Assyrians

10) Amaziah - high priest - This is in prose.
accuses Amos of conspiracy against royal family

συντίθει - to endure, suffer, bear

11) either στέφει or λεγεῖ στέφει is superfluous metrically. Some say Amos would not have dared mention word "exile". Others say "exile" makes last two words extra.

12) διβάθυντι - indicates disapproval prob. Some say its ventriloquism.

Eating food laps. indicates that διβάθυντι means professional soothsayer who tells fortunes for a living - thus derogatory.

- (13) Don't stay at Beth-El anymore because it is seat of King (prob. a palace there - although it was not capital.)
- (14) many MSS omit \rightarrow יְהוָה etc. This may indicate that originally he may have been speaking to the King - and this would be more fitting.
 לִבְנֵי - member of prophetic guild.
 יְהוָה \rightarrow בְּרַכָּה as Greek text has it. εὐλογία
 וְלִבְנֵי is a guess; tender or dresser of sheep.
- (15) $\text{'אֶל-$ } \text{יְהוָה} - to my people, against my people
- (16) still speaking to Jer. rather than Amaz.
 בְּלֹא \leftrightarrow בְּלֹא to drip, drop either words or foam from mouth.
- (17) Queen will become harlot.
 בְּלֹא לְ אֶת מִזְבֵּחַ - your [King's] land will be divided.
 בְּלֹא - unclean because no priests of Yahweh will be there.

8

Visions continue, after interruption of Amaziah.
 גַּם \rightarrow גַּם in v.2 - pun.

3 סִיסִּים (root סִסִּ) usually refers to human beings, not songs.
 אֲבוֹת could be read as אֲבוֹת , women singers or mourners of the palace will wail on that day, etc.

$\int \sigma \sigma$ — interesting history of word.

Sumerian $\int \sigma \sigma$ - big house and also temple.

Assyrian $\int \sigma \sigma$ - palace

Hebrew $\int \sigma \sigma$ - applied first to part of temple
which Solomon built, large part
in front of $\sigma \sigma \sigma$.

Otherwise used in sense of
palace.

V.3 suggested to come in after v. 9.

$\int \sigma \sigma$ - 3rd. m.sing. impersonal - There
will be a throwing of

cf. $\sigma \sigma$, ch. 6, 10. $\sigma \sigma$ may have been
marginal annotation to refer back to ch. 6 -
since in those days there was no sign (cf.)

5) $\sigma \sigma$ means grain cereal in general.
reference here to Sabbath. In Meso. The
first day of month and middle day were
considered unlucky because they were important
phases of moon. Then also the quarter
days became unlucky, too and no business
was done at all on these days.

Israelites took this over and gradually
these 4 days per month were given
religious connotation. At first, the human-
itarians of Deut. requested that animals and
servants also be freed from work - finally
the P writers at time of Exile gave it a
connection with Genesis story in order to have
people observe it more closely.

15th is still important day in calendar.
Succoth, Purim, etc.

So originally the Sabbath was a
phase of moon on which day it was unlucky to work.

Ionites took this historical superstition and gave it first humanitarian Then religion interpretation. At time of Amos, v. 5 indicates the superstition - because D. had not yet been written, and later interpretations not yet popularized.

6) cf. ch. 2, 6
end of v. 6 should be attached to end of v. 5 as part of series.

7) $\text{פָּא}' \text{יְהֻ}$ - glory of Jacob here means God.

8) יְהֻ → יְהֹ
 $\rightarrow \text{יְהֹ}$ misunderstood - glossed by יְהֹ , which then got into text by mistake.
also cf. 9, 5 - where יְהֹ is omitted.

9) refers to eclipse of 763, with which Amos was familiar.

10) cutting נִיל some of hair was sign of mourning.
 נִיל - refers to the land, the people.

11+12) at time of judgment people will be looking for enlightenment and there will be none. These 2 verses considered much later insertion - p' 36 p'm found in Es. 72. R.M. accepts them as they stand.

14) בָּעֵל - name of god of Samaria,
or may be בָּעֵל .

בָּעֵל → p' 3/3 - name of God -
Tammuz

9

1) idoo - doubtful, one of pillars
standing outside temple at BETHEL.
prob'l → prob'ly to agree with
foss

3) omitt לִסְגָּנָן

5) לֹא - more than "to mourn" - to
wither or be destroyed - strong.

7-10

last authentic prophecy of Amos.

11-15

some later addition in tradition
of 2nd Isaiah, to end on note
of happiness or optimism. But this
is not Amos.

8

רִאשׁוֹת - on the contrary, There is
no way out of it, inevitably.
This is only sensible translation.

9

בַּקְשֵׁשׁ סִזְמָה - in other words, it
will all be chaff and blown away, and
not one clump of good grain will
be winnowed out and fall to the
~~earth~~ to be saved.

Imagine audacity of Amos to propose
this picture of gloom at time of
prosperity of Jeroboam it, and to attribute
this coming down to the moral and
ethical degradation of aristocracy and
priesthood! He was pioneer - before D code
and before P code.

These last verses break the gloom
and end on optimistic note. Very
clearly a picture of someone comforting the
people in exile that life would be
better for them. Written anytime after 586.



Hosea

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Difference in temperament and outlook of Hosea from Amos, altho' contemporaneous. Amos rather more objective, dispassionate - Hosea subjective, expresses love and hate. Also differ in object of denunciation - Amos against social injustices of rich, Hosea against cult practices and also more political. Amos - moral + sociological; Hosea - Theological + political. But obviously they overlap.

Hosea seems more conscious of past than Amos - also more interested in international situation.

Inevitable to compare Amos and Hosea - both lived same time in Israel, both were most important of minor prophets (which is like usage, strictly a literary term referring to length of prophecies).

Jeremiah influenced by Hosea - cf. Reginald
2011.

Hosea is obscure textually - places where ancient versions differ. Masoretic text differs from Greek, Syriac, etc. Secondly, in $\ddot{\text{e}}$ additions, glosses, etc. at end of Amos there was addition which was hope for better times to come. All through 12 prophets we find such an optimistic editor, who adds here and there. In Hosea, some are in first few and last few chapters. Thus, good deal of Hosea is gloss, i.e. commentary on Hosea which should have stayed in margin but didn't. They are noticeable by being ① symmetrical
② proseic ③ use of late terms.

Thus in a sense more difficult to read Hosea than Amos - ① he is more complex
② text is poorer ③ glosses are more numerous.

How about problem of Hosea's wife?

Literal or symbolical? R.M. Scott didn't believe that it is literal - That God would have told him to marry adulteress, and have his children be those of another man. Nor would Hosea have condoned such an act even for sake of prophetic zeal. Also birth of 2 boys and a girl, which is offered as realistic detail, could be symbolical - all through book Hosea uses masc. & fem. interchangeably - Israel and Judah and the land; children of the land, etc.

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1. Prescription - long period of time indicated.

Prob. not written by Hosea himself - did he prophesy as late as Hezekiah? Nothing to indicate.

2. 10:1 - 12:3 - used in case of prophet - divine communication

12:5 - pages 221a - priests - oral These three technical words instruction.

2. 6:12 → 8:12 etc.

8:12 - deliverance - root 8:1 - probably incomplete name, with ending etc. left off or 8:12'.

Very unusual - chapter written in third person, not first.

3. Plunge right into middle of controversy.

Does p'shes etc mean prostitute women?

How does he know that p'shes 3:1 will be illegit? Perhaps after he marries her she will reform, granting she was where at beginning. And how still be known, except by obtaining from interview w/ her. That the children are someone else?

Is it psychologically conceivable that God would have told Hosea (acc. to his own imagination) to marry an adulteress, even for sake of proving a prophetic point. Or even after his marriage turned out unhappy, did he retroactively ascribe God's will to it.

p'isls refers to mood of age - marriage as well as all other institutions were mockery. It is abstract term, carrying the quality of adultery, not necessarily the primary meaning of the story term w'sls. Simply means he had a wife + children and the whole process was a mockery - marriage had once meant family, son, etc. all good things; now it has lost sanctity; why? Because the foundation on which marriage rested was shaky, namely society.

This was new note of Hosea - he changes Eastern concept of master-slave relationship of God-man to one of family with God as husband and father. Hosea was trying to point out that his own marriage, which was unhappy, symbolizes unhappiness between Israel and God - and that is all he was trying to prove by calling his wife p'isls. Of course he probably had an unhappy marriage - no denying that - but no reason ^{textually} or otherwise to demand that she was prostitute, and no reason to decide psychologically that Hosea had to use such figure of speech.

4

$\rightarrow \text{S}N$ and $\rightarrow \text{fNN}$ complete into corrupted term $\rightarrow \text{SfNN}$.

Reflects excessive penalty visited on house of Jehu as result of its murder of ^{wife} Ish-bosheth.

which took place in valley of Jezreel.
Reason for this was Ahab's treatment of Naboth.
But Jehu was unusually cruel in disciplining house
of Ahab. Killed 70 sons, including King Joram + grandchildren of Ahab.

5 possible meaning - referring to final destruction
of Israel.

6 פָּנָן - usually means pity - in Aramaic it is
regular word for love. This in Israel,
where Aramaic wide-spread. In Judah, it
perhaps only means pity.

פָּנָן רְבָע תְּבִיעָה - I will continue to love
them so much that I will continue to bear
and endure them.

Others take it to mean, acc. to
Greek text, that should be love and יְהִי
is adverbial.

7. full of conflicts. later addition and clumsy, esp.
obviously studied attempt of pa'sat ab'ot.

8 contains v.6

סְנַאֲת - in II Macc. takes 2 years to wean.
In Talmud also says 2-3 years.
Three children would thus take 6-9 years.
Could Hosea be expected to put up with where all this
time? Or not have found out about it?

9 clearly symbolic names: אֶלְעֹזֵר
and אֶלְעֹזֵר

2

whole chapter probably not Hosea. Later
messianic prediction.

4 mother is nation Israel

זְהִי! - in order that she may remove (jussive)

זְמַרְתָּן - not literal, but indicating "before", in
front of זְהִי - same meaning.

5 This stripping of land is to teach that not
Baalim alone have power over land, but that
Yahweh can also have a hand in it.

6 out of place both in context and strophe.

continuity between 5 and 7 smoother without 6.

7 זְבֹּאֶלְעָנָה - other gods who gave food, wine, etc.
פָּרָאֵלָה - one who bore them - Their mother.

8 Israel will be fenced in to restrain her
from running after Baalim.

Some suggest that 8,9 be put after 15.

גְּזַבְּדָה → גְּזַבְּדָה third person.

9 Putting up a barrier w. Baal will force Israel
to return to her first husband Yahweh. Hosea
idealized simple past (which, of course, was not
as ideal as now seems in retrospect)

10 זְבֻדָּה - unfermented wine 163 - grain

זְבֻדָּה - pure oil, diff. from זְבֻדָּה

Gold + silver were media of trade, brought in
from outside, commonly used.
Prob. late gloss.

11 I will take back my wool (which I had given her) to cover herself with.

12 ~~sister isles~~ - may be deleted as extra.

14 \Rightarrow Jsh \rightarrow Jsh song which Israel brought from Baal when she was married to idolatry. God is going to destroy these things.

15 \Rightarrow f'fro-ni - various pagan holidays.

\Rightarrow Gpd - to make burnt offering, or incense.

one is early, one later - Thus able to ascertain what word meant re. to time of context.

16 after chastigation He says He will sooth her and speak to her heart. This is post-exilic insertion to cancel the devastating gloom up to now. From here to end of chp. seems post-exilic in language and thought and content.

17 \Rightarrow Jsh - how translate?

$\text{g} = \text{t}$ $\text{t} = \text{is}$ \Rightarrow bh = to enrich, produce abundantly, etc.

21.22 - Messianic belief. But language here is after pattern of Hosea - using symbolism of "betrothed", etc.

23-25 insertion by later scribe to reverse dark picture of Hosea still uses Hosea's metaphors.

3

This chapter indubitably Hosea.

1 God spoke to me again. (Since contrary to p'sog)

גַּם - woman indefinite. Not necessarily Gomer. How did she become a slave which he had to buy back. This woman positive not Gomer.

בָּנָה - paramour

פְּלִבְּלֶת - raisin cake, dried fruitcake

2 יִקְרָא - to buy
יְמִינָה - 1/2 units

3 I won't go in and have relations with you either, as well as not letting you go into any other man. So will Sarah sit without a husband.

5 post-exilic Messianic - פָּנָס נֵזֶק

4

1. יְהֹוָה - God

יְהֹוָה - Yahweh, The Lord

2. שָׁׁמֶן - kind of loyal affection or affectionate loyalty of one deep friend for another

אָמֶת - truth, and also faithfulness, fidelity.

בְּרִית מְضִלְגָּה - knowledge of God's law - more properly, knowledge of heart of God.

- 2) כָּהֵל אֶלְכָה - taking an oath, then lying, or denying this.
בְּעֵל תְּשׁוֹר - another pair of sins
יִתְשׁוֹר - They have transgressed, broken bounds, in re the above
לְאַתָּה בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּנֵי זֶה - bloodshed follows bloodshed, prob. refers to anarchy following Jeroboam. Decalogue may have already existed at this time, or a framework thereof - as indicated by list of sins.
- 3) וְזֶה יְהִי נֶחֱלָה - including the animals of the field - This is called לְאַתָּה בְּנֵי זֶה, inclusive &.
f. Amos 8:8
אֲתָּה בְּנֵי זֶה
Verse prob. not reference to historical fact but nature herself revolted by conduct of Israelites. Severe drought
- 4) "stinking passage" פָּה - but now, the way ^{things} are now יְהִי רָאשָׁה פָּנֶס! - with them is very unequal, O priest. Let's not argue with the common man, or reprove him. Let's take the matter up with the priests.
- 5.) why פָּנֶס - is it the day, this day? or is it by night and therefore why not פָּנֶס? Change the ה under י-ה-ה. "I shall kill thy mother at night" - Thy mother being thy stock.
פָּנֶס קְנֵס - prob. emp. - no sense.
- 6) יְהִי נֶחֱלָה - prophetic future - imminent.
וְזֶה - and just as you have forgotten, I will forget, etc.

נְהַר - verbal root means "to rend" -
orig. meaning was an oracle, an
instruction sent from God through
priest people (i.e. priest consulting
the Uriah & Tumimim.) Down to Hosea
This was meaning of word.

Perhaps Hosea & Amos were first to
challenge authority of priests - accuse them of
misleading people.

In this v., Hosea gives a moral
meaning to Torah, to mean not only divine
will revealed in statutes, but also to include
man's moral conduct. Thus prophetic teaching
is included and when Dent. speaks of
Torah it (being itself a prophetic law book)
refers to the Torah as containing both
strains of priest and prophet.

Thus this verse is historic moment -
when Hosea speaks of Torah in new sense.

7.) נָהָר → נָהָר They changed.

זָהָר - honor (heaviness) all abstract

לְפָרָח - disgrace (lightness) terms nice from ^{concrete}.

8.) נְהַר - sin, and not sin-offering. Of course
priests do get some of the sacrifices -
but meaning is not literal exactly.
The priests undone sin instead of
reproving it, as long as their position
won't endangered.

9.) פְּנֵי פְּנֵי נְהַר (and then include 14d).

This is incomplete half-verse, and so is 14d.
Trans. second half find - The priest is like the people.

- 10) 13²² → 13²¹ (to be satisfied)
parallel to first half of verse.
self - to go with self in v. 11
- 12) 'd - circumstantial - "while"
- 13) 12-⁵⁰ - to such an extent, do you daughter, etc.
- 14) homed had strict concept of sexual morality.
- 15) Later insertion - what Hosea paid for benefit
of north, applies equally to south. But not
necessary to feel this is gloss - possible he
could have been talking in an aside to Judah
- 11⁶ 22 → 24 22 Amos makes
same pun
- 16) second 22⁰ unnecessary and unstylistic.
Might be justified to retain it metrically.
v. is question - should the last pasture them?
- 17) 15-¹¹ - should it be joined to following
it is 15¹¹? Corp.
pk²⁰ 20 → pk²⁰ 30 = company of
drinkers
- 18) very corp.
- 19) also corp. p¹/n²s¹n → p¹/n²s¹n
— 15² 22¹²
— n 11² 22¹² (omit 12²)
They have loved disgrace more than - something.
(Their honor - p¹/n²t)

5. סולר יר → סולר ויר פג
he addresses three categories of higher
officials, leaving out people.

GalN = either sentence to be wrong & on them,
or the justice which they should have
maintained and didn't.

2. נז נז ^{inv} → should call for a strike
זונר & זונר Education is associated with
chastisement.

'זונר might be ז'נר = There is no punishment.

3. God speaks

זה is generally used only to introduce a
consequence, and that doesn't obtain
here, ∴ change this to ז'נר. But
cf. 10,3: זה not always temporal -
may express indignation.

4. מידון לזר וה' → מידון פיז' וה'
Their pins do not permit them - one Mem
probably dropped by haplography.

5. סולר גיבר f. Amos 8,7 - where term
used as God. Then it cannot be paralleled
with פיז'. Since ^{ever} not of demands that it
be used in bad sense.

זונר פט סר פט - gloss, unmetrical

6. גסן - used transitively - here intransitive.
also here metrical scheme requires
connection between pin פסן and פט פט

• Is it "a principle - is morally sound.

בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל → בְּנֵי סִינָה Their dreamers
have deceived God, for they have
begotten strange children.

בְּנֵי ? → בְּנֵי - son : בְּנֵי - son
בְּנֵי - lowest

8 יְהוָה יְהוָה - Beth El
יְהוָה → יְהוָה כֹּהֵן cf. Amos 3,6

10 אֶלְעָזֶר ? Several appearances in rest of
chapter - should they be Israel ?

13 אֶלְעָזֶר ? Sennacherib
nickname for Tiglath-Pileser
King of many, i.e. - King of Assyria
sharru - ruler

6 2 יְהֹוָה - he will cure us
יְהֹוָה יְהֹוָה - a remedy.

3 He can be counted on as surely as the dawn?
When we seek him we will find him?
יְהֹוָה יְהֹוָה → יְהֹוָה יְהֹוָה

4 בְּנֵי → element of loyalty + devotion

5 I have been myself on the puppets, who
have been God's victims to bring His message
to the people - and do the people think that
by a few sacrifices they can repent? No!

7

: 3

שְׁנִים

שְׁנִים (anointed)

4 שָׁבֵךְ → שָׁבֵךְ like a broken

שָׁבֵךְ → שָׁבֵךְ heating

① may refer to taking root between orgies.

whole verse may be gloss, repetitions of v. 6.

② may refer to a banquet at which conspiracies take place.

5 part of conspiracy - make King (or prince) sick with wine. p's'f are other banqueters who come to conspire.

6 תְּבַל → p's'f and p's'f as synonym
p's'f - lying in wait
p's'f → p's'f their anger

7 Fig. of speech of something brewing, something being heated - There's trouble brewing, for the rulers too whose folly is contributory.

8 סְבָרִים - mixed up with Canaanites, but only half-baked. Different meter.

10 לְזֹה אָ...וְזֹה - to be self-evident (almost)

11 זָרִים - silly, simple : אֲלֵיכֶם - no sense
They are caught between Egypt & Assyria.

12 But says God - wherever they go, I'll catch them.
דְּבָרָי יְהוָה p's'f → דְּבָרָי יְהוָה p's'f
hopeless exp. → I will bind them because of their evil.

13 *p̄d̄ 'ik* *p̄d̄ z̄i* : *z̄i* is like 'ik
! *p̄d̄ 'ik* - shall I redeem them when
they have lied to me?

14 *p̄id̄n* → *p̄id̄n*
l̄z̄/t̄n' → *'l̄z̄/t̄n'* (cut selves)
Can. practice of slashing selves over sacrifices.
? *'l̄z̄/t̄n'* - They rebel vs. Me.

15 *'l̄z̄o'* - superfluous, as later explanation of
less painful *p̄ol̄s* 'ȳsh'.
l̄z̄-'l̄z̄/t̄n' - counted it as evil, resented it.

16 *l̄z̄* - Our High - difficult
l̄z̄ t̄f might be "not worthwhile" - make it
l̄z̄ r̄f - They return to something without value, "idol"

p̄leš p̄en ? *p̄leš p̄en p̄leš p̄en* ?

8

1 *'l̄z̄ r̄a* - whole land of Israel
'l̄z̄ r̄a *l̄z̄* - later: ^{glass} ^{tone} punnic and late
language - *w̄z̄a*

2 *l̄z̄o' ſ̄l̄c ȳj̄z̄* - we know Thee, O God
of Israel.

must gain ſ̄l̄c to *l̄z̄s* by
ignoring Eschaton. "They have cried
to me! O God" (But) we [plural majesties]
know Thee, O Israel."

3. *לְאָזֶן* = *לְזַבֵּץ*

4. *-לְעֹדֵן* - *לִזְבֵּחַ* (root *לִזְבַּח*)
'רְאֵז' - to approve off of.
לְזַבֵּץ / אֲנָפָה - glass.

5. *לְזַבֵּחַ* → *לִזְבַּח* - (to strike, reject with loathing)
God speaking
not necessary to rearrange sb
.. consider sc as glass.

6. *לְכַדֵּל* - was not necessarily intrusive. Ugadite
parallels show was as strengthening
particle surely, surely, etc.

? → ?
פָּדָל = splinters

לְכַדֵּל - exactly what were they? Images of
Baal or of Yehwah: God rode on
back of ox (bull) invisibly. But in
northern Kingdom these idols actually
worshipped as Yehwah.

7. *לְבָזֵל* = lengthened form (old, poet.) of *בָּזֵל*
לְבָזֵל → *בָּזֵל*

בָּזֵל *בָּזֵל* is repetitive gloss of first phrase:
a stalk which has ^{no} ~~no~~ flower (i.e.
unable to produce grain)

בָּזֵל *בָּזֵל* - and supposing it does produce,
then strangers will eat it.

8. *לְבָזֵל* - prophetic future - either means
They will be swallowed up (hence will
be of no account and this *בָּזֵל* is
in this later expl.) or as Hoen more
poet meant - They were going abroad

to Assyria & Egypt for alliances. This was not understood, and later editor (using first possibility) added above gloss to explain.

9 If 33:12 1:2 - wild ass is stubborn - goes off alone

לֹא־ (from root לֹא־ as in Mishna? - to make a condition?) to hire?

pos. intent 13d לְכָה p'saq w's in v.9 after פָּתַח if 33:12 1:2. And last 2 words doubtful.

10 RM doesn't think this is gloss - but still confused. Sounds like someone in later times speaking - when does וְאֵס refer to?

לְבָנִי → תְּשִׁיבֵנִי shell case

לְבָנָן → נִזְנָן from anointing

Or if preserved intact - "They shall tremble in a little while under the burden of the King of Assyria (King of princes = King of Kings)."

11 Line orig. read with כ under וְאֵס, " whenever Ephr. built altars, they were for sin". Later editor wanted to warn reader to take לְבָנִי alone together - so he added this marginal note of the two words together. Actually he was wrong in his sense.

12 Implies that in Hosea's time there was written body of מִשְׁנָה. Tentatively to know what it might have been. At Hosea's time מִשְׁנָה was still priestly oracle. Or might refer to vague Mosaic laws (no reason to suppose that Decalogue was not already in writing) - thus and not need in narrow sense of

rules but already used more broadly.
He considers Moses a r'ph - hence here
prob. referring to Mosiac laws - p'sh. not
The torah as we know it now, but parts of it.

13

'בָּרְאֵל ? - burnt offerings - orig. not
burnt - something to do with burn.

Grammatical fight over bi- or tri-consonantal roots.

(either they don't give proper share to God (i.e. eat
it themselves), or offer sacrifices mechanically).

In either case God doesn't want them.

דְּלָבִיד - Then as a consequence

וְלֹא p'shā v'nd - may either be misplaced and
belong in v. 9 - or may be referring to flesh-
pots of Egypt.

14

Sounds like Amos - who is brought in to
support conception of "remembering sin and punishment
therefor". Sort of a cf. Amos.

9

1. פָּרָה - gifts made to Temple prostitute - technical.
Defunction vs. practicing orgies like other nations on
the harshest holidays - sexual orgies of Canaanites.

2.

p'sh' → p'sh' People will not
benefit from produce of vineyard, because v. 3
They shall not dwell in land of Israel.

3.

not referring to forced deportation, but means
the people go to other countries for help, and use
their products instead of p'sh' - p'sh' (satisfy
them). Own god & products don't satisfy them.

4

לְכָס - to be acceptable, make pleasing
 פַּלְקַפֵּל - mourners bread

פַּרְסֵף → פַּרְנָס = Men's bread

יְהִינֶּן = Yithpael - They selves have become unclean
 They don't bring proper portion to house of God,
 but bread is ^{out} for themselves prepared.

5

Referring to absence of temples in future so it will be impossible to sacrifice? Or referring to present abuses of sacrificial rites? Why do you do what you do? - 16:6-10

6

צָרָבָר - They go because of robbery?

They go from destruction?

They flee to Egypt and shall die in Memphis, which is famous burying place.

פְּנַסְפָּשָׁן → ? houses, pleasant places, bought with money shall

be taken over by the Thems.

Whole verse refers to deportation.

7

At time of judgment, even the prophet will be a fool unable to give advice & help - Things will be so terrible.

וְנִגְנָן - hatred between God & people.

8

"The Psalms" -

W.F. Barnes

"Intro. to Lit. of O.T." -

Pfeiffer

"Psaltery Psalmists" -

F. James

"ICC"

C.H.W. Beuys

"Die Psalmen"

B. Duran

The Psalms -

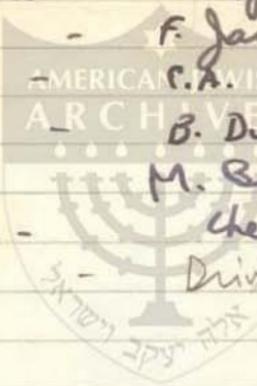
M. Buttenwiesen

Origin of The Psalter -

Cheyne

Intro. to P.T.

Driver



Cheyne -

15

47

87

111 - need first.

Batt.

10



Oldest Davidic Collection 3-41
Elohistic Psalter - 42-83

Songs of Korah 42-49

Psalms of Asaph 50, 73-83

Second Davidic Collection 51-72

Book II 42-71

Book III (part) 72-83

Book III (rest) 84-89

4 Q Korah 84, 5, 78

1 Q David 86

1 Q Ethan 89

First 11 books are first edition - to
which others were later added.

Macc. in date : 44, 74, 79 & 83, but these
probably go back to 1st half of 2nd c.
The collection 2-89 existed before 100 BC
when we find 79:2 f. quoted as Scripture
in I Macc. 7:16 f.

(2)

Last 11 books 90-150 were in process of being assembled
out of existing collections and scattered compositions
during final completion of first 3 books. Whole thing
prob. compiled by 100 BC. AN JEWISH

Certain that one of editors of 90-150 knew and
used Elshistic Psalter 42-83 because he took from it
108 which consists of 57:7-11 (8:4) and 60:5-12 (7:14)
in their Elshistic redaction.

Book IV 90-106 + 107

90+91 overture (prayer of Moses)

92-107 psalm to God (101 + 103 Davidic)

Book V

105-107 final doxology

108-110 Davidic, part of spec. wth. with Hallelujah

(3)

Psalms 111-118

113-118 great Hallel at Passover & other festivals

120-134 Songs of ascent, pilgrimage songs

122, 124, 131, 133 Davidic

135-136 supplemental Hallelujah psalms

138-145 last Davidic collection

146-150 final Hall. - constitutes Doxology for Psalter as whole

119, 137 stood beyond limits of these collections
and were added in course of Psalter's
editorial growth before final editor appended
Ps. 1 at beginning.

(y)

It seems clear that a number of such lamentations were composed during persecutions of Epiphany 164-165 : 44, 74 (74:8 refers to burning of synagogues), 79, 83 ; also perhaps 12, 28, 36, 60 (= 108) 80, 85, 108, 123, 102 (in part the lament of a sick man (vv. 1-11, 23-24a : 1-12, 24-25c) and not a lament for Zion that lies in ruins). Military successes of Judas M. may have inspired 118 and 149 ; other congregational songs of Thanksgiving and praise to God (46-48, 66-68, 76, 87, 113, 124-126, 129, 144) may likewise reflect the revival of nationalism and religion during the Mass. struggles.

I shall attempt to do three things in this paper; one, mention the latest scheme of classification of the book of Psalms; two, present the views of several men on the general question of Maccabean psalms; and finally, to discuss several specific psalms from the point of view of possible Macc. origin.

Many attempts have been made to classify the Psalms according to some sort of organized fashion, and in the past various kinds of systems have prevailed. The psalms have been arranged 1) in regard to the situations in which they would be appropriate; 2) in regard to the soul-moods they express (Baethgen); 3) according to topics (McFayden); and 4) according to the nature of their contents (Barnes). Now there is a new system offered - one heartily supported by Fleming James - who calls it the "prevailing view", and lists its advocates as including Staerk and Kittel in Germany, Oesterley & Robinson in England, and Leslie of Boston University in America.

It is the view of Herman Gunkel, who starts from the premise that originally every sacred poem in Israel's liturgy religion was composed to be sung as an accompaniment of a religious act. In other words, the pss. took their rise from the various occasions of Israel's worship. Since these occasions were of different sorts, such as the feast, the thank-offering, the sin-offering, the public fast, etc, the pss. composed for them would fall into natural groups according to the ritual acts they accompanied.

Gunkel divides the pss. into the following types (Gattungen):

Hymns
 Songs of Yahweh's Enthronement
 Laments of the People
 Royal Psalms
 Laments of the Individual
 Thanksgivings of the Individual
 Minor Types

Prophetic Psalms

Wisdom Poetry (the only group not originating from worship.)

Special attention must be paid to those occasions on which words were spoken or poems were sung. There is abundant evidence, says Gunkel, that acts of worship were accompanied by words. One instance offered is that of the priestly blessing. In Lev. 9:22 we are told that Aaron "lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them." That was the act. The words of the blessing are given in Num. 6:23f.

יְהִי־עֲלֵיכֶם־שָׁבֻעַת־בְּרִית־מִזְבֵּחַ
לְפָנֵיכֶם־בְּרִית־מִזְבֵּחַ לְפָנֵיכֶם־בְּרִית־מִזְבֵּחַ

And so in regard to the thanksgiving-songs of the Psalter which are to be connected with the law concerning thank-offerings. Ps. 118 is an example "where the voices of all the participants, the individual and his friends, together with the blessings of the priests, resound antiphonally." (James). Or again, groups of thankful persons could be assembled to sing a mass thanksgiving in which group after group utter ^{its} gratitude for various deliverances from trouble, as in Ps. 107. The point is, then, that the original ps., according to Gunkel, consisted of words composed to be sung when an act of worship was being carried out.

This does not deny the individual element in the ps.

Gunkel feels that while the individual at first perhaps counted little in psalm-making, he more and more made himself master of the various types and used them to express his own personal religious life. This type-study makes no claim to explain everything - it is not the key that will unlock all doors to the understanding of the ps. Its chief service is to put a given ps. in its setting and to throw some general light upon its component parts and the forms of expression and ideas used. It furnishes in a broad way the pattern. But as to the individual poets who used this pattern as a vehicle through which to utter their soul's experience with

God, it can tell us little.

Pfeiffer, who calls Gumkel's "the most elaborate and minute analysis of the Psalter", still feels that no scheme of classification can do full justice to the "wealth of literary forms and religious contents of the Psalter". Many ps. fit badly into any of the various types of arrangement which have been devised. Therefore, he says, in order to obtain a bird's eye view he will simply divide the book into two main groups: those ps. that describe primarily the character and activity of the Deity, and those that present the religious emotions of the congregation or the individual. And he further adds that there is, of course, no clear line of demarcation even between these two broad groups.

As for the second question, that of the general issue of Macc. ps., there are three opinions we shall note, chosen obviously out of many times that number which are available. Buttenweiser does not believe that any ps. are Macc. "The real problem connected with the prevailing belief in Macc. ps. is not, as Gesenius over a century ago formulated it, whether the close or final redactions of the various collections making up the Psalter and the conclusion of the OT canon in general, can be placed as late as the Macc. period, but whether a Macc. date for any of the ps. is reconcilable with the fact that during the second quarter of the 3rd BCE, the Hebrew language entered on a stage of rapid decadence, which ended in its dying out altogether as a spoken language."

He proves from Ben Sira and the Book of Daniel that at the time of the Macc., Aramaic was the spoken language of the Jewish people. Is the belief in Macc. ps. compatible with these findings? He says no.

He admits that the question is often raised: Why could good Hebrew not have been written even after Hebrew ceased to be a spoken language? Jehuda ha-Levi's poems are offered as an example that this is possible. But he feels that these poems, "considered from the point of view of rules of style and syntax governing Biblical Hebrew, are for the greater part unnatural Hebrew. Moreover, they are void of warmth and feeling - being artificial in the extreme; and above all they lack the most essential element of literary creation, spontaneity. There is nothing in the least surprising about this, for language, being organic, is capable of growth and development only so long as it is part and parcel of the life and soul of a people."

For an opinion centering about the opposite pole we go to Cheyne, who asks, "Are there any group of pss. which are most easily explained on the theory of a Macc. origin?" There are strong reasons for expecting to find such. The influence of the Macc. period was morally so great that even if no pss., clearly Macc., had been preserved, we should be compelled to presume that they once had existed. What should be our criteria for Macc. pss.? He explains, "I should not lay any great stress on the linguistic cogency of literary criteria" - which seems at once to anticipate and refute judgments such as Buttenwieser's. Cheyne feels that in "typical Macc. pss. there should be some fairly distinct allusions to Macc. circumstances....And above all we expect to find an uniquely strong church feeling, an intensity of monotheistic faith, and an ardor of gratitude" for the intervention of God. Cheyne assigns Macc. origin to 27 pss., and in addition has another large list of possible or doubtful ones. Between this point of view and that of Buttenwieser the truth lies somewhere.

It is interesting to note in passing the view of Prof. Albright, who confessed that he once held that most of the ps. were of the Macc. period - or at least were post-exilic and many were very late, but who now believes that the majority display Canaanitish influence which would tend to place them early. Ps. 29 has been discovered practically verbatim in the Ugaritic texts; and he holds with Buttenwieser that Ps. 68 is to be compared with the Song of Deborah (Judges 5) which would date it in the 11th or 10th BCE. He concludes, however, that the fact that the Psalter has Can. origins and sources does not destroy the genius of the Israelites, who adapted the best of Can. work. "To look for pure originality" he says, "one must go to insane asylums." The gift of selection is real genius. The singers of Israel chose the best that went before, added of their own creations, refined and improved that which they selected, and gave the world the Psalter, "without which the Judaeo-Christian tradition would be a dead thing."

So, having offered these several points of view in general, let us pass on to examine in particular the question of Macc. ps. - whether there are any, if so which, and what discussion ranges around each. We shall discuss particularly ps. 44, 74, 79, and 83, which seem most prominently Macc, according to many critics, but which also have equally distinguished opponents.

In regard to ps. 44, although Briggs in the ICC happens to feel that the ps. is late Persian (i.e. 400-330 BCE), he lists many scholars who assent to the Macc. date, including Graetz and Wellhausen, and Pfeiffer agrees with this. Pfeiffer says that it seems clear that a number of Lamentations were composed during the persecutions of Epiphanes in the years 168-165 BCE, including ps. 44, 74, 79, and 83. On the matter of these Lamentations, Gunkel's classification is worthy of notice.

There are two classes, Laments of the People, and Laments of the Individual, which latter he calls, incidentally, the Grundstock, the core of the Psalter. The Laments of the People, of which 44 is one of the few examples, had as their "seat in life", the act of religious worship from which they sprang, the great publice fasts of Israel, which did not recur regularly, as a rule, but came as a response to a particular need. The Laments on the whole are concerned with what may be called the political situation of the people, their oppression by foreign overlords.

This ps. 44 came into being at an hour of great suffering and humiliation for Israel. Her hosts have been defeated in battle, and the victorious enemy is using his advantage with outrageous cruelty. Property is being seized, people are being killed or sold into slavery among the Gentiles. James says that all these features appear at first sight to fit in with the Macc. age. Then for the first time in centuries Israel had an army, and religious persecution was also making its first appearance. And many scholars at first sight agree, as indicated above, - but Barnes is by no means certain that the time is necessarily Macc.

He feels that it is a national ps. with a historical background, but that there is no suggestion in it of injury to Jerusalem or profanation of the Temple. It is true that this ps. refers to a persecution of the Jews for their religion. The words of v. 22,

מִפְנֵי שֶׁפֶת לְעֵדָה יְמִינָה וַיְמִינָה

"for Thy sake are we killed all the day long" find ample illustration in many passages in the Book of Macc. In I Macc. 1:57 it says,

וְאֵלֹא אֲשֶׁר־בְּיַד־עֲמָלֵךְ כִּי־בְּיַד־אֱלֹהִים־בְּיַד־אֱלֹהִים

"And wheresoever was found with any the book of the testament, or if any consented to the Law, the king's commandment was, that they should put him to death." Similar examples are offered in I Macc.

2:29-38; and 7:10-17. But it cannot be said that the Jews never submitted to persecution for their faith before the time of Antiochus Epiphanes - there was religious trouble between the Jews and Samaritans for example. The ps. may possibly be Macc. but the evidence is too slight to prove it, concludes Barnes.

Cheyne feels that the only possible background for this ps. is Macc., and that if many circumstances of the Macc. rebellion are not alluded to, it is because the psalmists are not chroniclers.

Duhm, becoming even more particular, assigns it to the occasion of the disastrous fight in which Judas Macc fell at Eleasa in April 160. (I Macc. 9:1-22.)

Edoard König feels that it is apparent that this "heaven-thunderous prayer for God's help (vv.23-26 at end of ps.) is directed against external enemies", as appears from the tone of many parts of the ps., but does not believe that it stems necessarily from the Macc. period. Taking the vv. 18-22, which are a general affirmation of faith containing the above-quoted "for Thy sake are we killed all the day", he says that this Bündestreue merely states that the speakers have stood under the punishments attendant upon their true Yahweh-belief, but that it was not actually a "religious persecution" in the sense that the persecutors had wanted to seduce Israel to another religion. Thus the Ps. ends with a ringing call to God to awaken and help His people from external attacks, for they suffer to remain true to Him, but not necessarily are those attacks Seleucid.

And so it is difficult to decide. General consensus agrees that it was a time of national distress, that Israel was suffering or had suffered attack, which had involved *pe, ebē*, that some sort of fighting back had taken place with God's aid (vv. 5-9), and that Israel was now crying out for God to redeem her completely.

It could be Macc. - it could possibly refer to other periods in Israel's history. Briggs, Barnes, König, Buttenwieser, Gunkel and James for the negative - Graetz, Wellhausen, Pfeiffer, Cheyne, and Dühm for the positive. What shall be the decision?

In regard to ps. 74, Briggs calls it a "prayer of the exilic community." Apart from the glosses, the ps. shows no evidences of a very late date. The reference to the capture of the Temple, the setting it on fire and profaning it to the ground, contained in vv. 3-7, best suit the destruction of the Temple by the Babylonians. A Macc. editor later enlarged upon this description of the destruction of the temple to make it more appropriate to the desecration by Antiochus.

Thus vv. 4b-6 in this passage are Macc. glosses - in particular the line "They have set up their own signs for signs", which Briggs admits refers probably to the religious symbols of the Greeks as a supplanting of the Jewish religion. Also, the further gloss in v. 6, the *שְׁנִים*, which is best translated "doors" (and not "carved work") , these have been broken open - which compares with I Macc. 4:38, "and they found the sanctuary desecrated and the altar polluted and the doors burned up."

Again, v.9, with its reference to the absence of miracle and prophecy

אֲלֹתָהּ אֵין מִזְבֵּחַ בְּלֹתָהּ כִּי־עַמְּלָה־יְהוָה

which is usually regarded as evidence of Macc. times (I Macc. 4:46, 9:27, 14:41), is considered a gloss. So Briggs dates the ps. in the vicinity of 586 BCE, with the hand of a Macc. editor showing through in several places.

Barnes says that the content of the ps. is too indefinite to justify the confident statement of Duhm, who asserts that in ps. 74 we have "quite firm ground under our feet" in the search for Macc. pss. Duhm thinks 74 is the earliest of them, before even the Macc.

had gained their victories, as witness the plea for protection in v. 19 "deliver not the soul of Thy turtle-dove unto the wild beast" - but after the initial outrages of the enemy had taken place.

Barnes, however, observes that the psalmist has just two complaints to make. There has been a great slaughter of the congregations of God in the land, v.8,

שְׁאַל - '31/n סָרֵב לְאַבְדָּל

גַּדְעֹן ; and (a greater calamity) the Temple has been injured and profaned. But profanation happened to the Temple on other occasions than when Antiochus entered it. Josephus tells the story of Bagoses (Bagoas) the governor of Judah under Artaxerxes II (404-358 BCE), who profaned the Temple by forcing his way into it after a case of fratricide by the high priest Johannes. The Elephantine papyri confirm this story and suggest a date early in the reign of Artaxerxes - somewhere around 400.

What was distinctive about the action of Antiochus was not profanation per se, but that he endeavored to compel the Jews to take part in worship of Zeus. And Barnes says that in ps. 74 there is no clear indication of the coercion of the Jews to idolatry. He concludes that "the ps. may possibly be Macc., but it may equally well belong to some earlier period at which the Temple was entered by an enemy, but no religious persecution in the literal sense was carried out."

As to who the enemy was, is not clear. The word Goyim does appear in ps. 79 but not here. The most definite description given of the enemy is בָּזֶב , foolish man, or fool, in v.22, and בָּזֶב-בָּזֶב , foolish nation, in v.18, a term used in Eccl. 50:26 of those who dwell in Shechem, the Samaritans. "It is therefore at least possible that the enemy who profaned the sanctuary were the Samaritans."

Around Ps. 79 there does not seem to be any greater unanimity of opinion. W.R. Smith finds difficulty in accepting a Macc. date for pss. 44, 74, 79 on account of their position in the Elohistic Psalter (pss. 42-83), which is one of the oldest collections and the compilation of which he believes must have been completed before the Macc. age. He is disposed to refer these three pss. under consideration to the occasion of the great revolt under Artaxerxes III Ochus (359-339 BCE) which was suppressed in 348-344 with much bloodshed - during which Jerusalem and the Temple may have suffered in the manner described in 74 and 79. Cheyne, incidentally, in spite of his predilection for Macc. dates, agrees with the 4th century date for 74 and 79, as does Buttenwieser. Driver quotes Smith, however, as placing Books IV and V (pss. 90-150) in the early years of the Macc. sovereignty, with many of the pss. in this collection belonging to the Greek period, and some (113-118, 149) clearly springing out of the enthusiasm evoked by the great military victories of the Macc.

Driver himself tends to accept the Macc. date for this ps. but reminds us of the fact that v. 6, which reads *רַחֲנָה יְהֹוָה*
מִלְּפָר כִּי לְמֵת יְהֹוָה נִזְבֵּן בְּזִבְחָה כִּי לְמֵת יְהֹוָה פִּלְגָּשׁ

is exactly the same as Jeremiah 10:25, with the one change of the word *רַחֲנָה* for *נִזְבֵּן*. This either means identity of authorship, i.e. that Jeremiah had a hand in the authorship of this ps., hence the desecrations spoken of refer to the Babylonian destruction of 586, and the ps. could not possibly be Macc.; or it might merely mean that the author of the ps. was quoting an earlier master, and it might still be considered Macc. Driver concludes "when we bear in mind how apt Hebrew writers are to borrow expressions from their predecessors, we cannot feel

the requisite assurance that these similarities are due to identity of authorship."

The objection referred to above in ps. 74 in relation to the lack of purely religious persecution, such as Antiochus is known to have instituted, is met to a certain extent here in ps. 79 in the first verse - "O God, the heathen (*ποικιλοί*) are come into Thine inheritance" - which seems to suggest that the invaders were felt to be of a completely different religious stock.

Offered for the Macc. date is the fact that in I Macc. 7:16-17 we find a verse from this ps. 79 quoted as Scriptures. Verse 2 is introduced with the word *εἰπόντως*, and then quoted. Pfeiffer cautiously concludes that the least this indicates is that the collection (pss. 2-89) existed before 100 BCE in order for it to have been quoted in the Book of Macc.

Barnes is uncertain, tending to his previous opinion (in re ps. 74) that the language and content are too indefinite to pin down ps. 79 - that it might depict an unrecorded Samaritan invasion, or either of the two recorded violations of the Temple - Bagoses ca. 400 and Ptolemy I of Egypt in 320.

And Briggs repeats his previous belief in a 6th century date for the original ps., which was later subjected to the influence of the Macc. glossator.

The last ps. under consideration is 83. This seems to be a public prayer against invasion. The people are pleading with God not to be silent in this hour when Israel's enemies are conspiring to attack her. Israel is in danger of physical extinction, v. 5, but there is no complaint of profanation of the Temple or of the sufferings of martyrs for the sake of God's religion. This tends to make several scholars suspicious of the Macc. setting.

Duhm, however, speaking of this ps., says with striking simplicity, "Ps. 83, the contents of which are perfectly compatible with I Macc. 5, must have been composed soon after 165, but before the successes of Judas Macc." In I Macc. 5 we find many parallels with the ps. In v.2 it is said that the gentiles took counsel to destroy the race of Jacob - in the ps., v.4, it says "they hold crafty converse against Thy people." V.3 of the Macc. says, "And Judas fought against the sons of Esau in Idumea", while the psalmist lists many peoples as the enemy, viz., in v.7 are mentioned "the tents of Edom and the Ishmaelites, Moab and the Hagrites." Such similarities continue all the way through the chapter and the psalm.

Barnes, still in disagreement, says that these parallels do not point conclusively to a Macc. date. For example, four very significant names, listed in the ps., are absent from Macc. 5. These are Moab, Gebal, Assyria, and Amalek. These names taken together suggest an earlier date than the Macc., he says. Again, he reminds the reader that while he admits the occasion of the ps. to be some sort of invasion, he need not accept any particular date, because - "history may have repeated itself frequently on the eastern and southern borders of Palestine. Palestine, though not a rich country, was yet a land of corn and wine and oil; such food supplies must have been a perpetual temptation to the hungry dwellers in the desert-lands to the east and south."

Buttenwieser sums up his discussion of ps. 83 by saying that even in tone does the ps. differ radically from the Macc. record of the campaigns of 165-163, as described in I Macc. 5. Judas and Simon are filled with such confidence in their own prowess that they defy all opposition and defeat one enemy after another -

while in the ps. the attitude is cringing, the people are described as the helpless prey of the enemies, and can seek no other recourse than to implore God "not to look on in silence." v.2.

Aside from the four main ones which we have considered, there are several other pss. to be noted in passing. Pfeiffer offers two very interesting examples of how acrostics have been discovered as a means of dating pss. In ps. 2, vv.1-10, the acrostic reads *Ιαννεύς Αλέξανδρος*; "to Janneus A(lexander) and his wife" - and is in honor of the marriage of Alex. Jann. to Alexandra in the year 103 BCE. This ps. was written last and was placed at the beginning of the collection Pss. 2-89, which comprise the first three books, considered by Pfeiffer to be the first edition, later followed by the remaining two books. The collection 2-89 must have existed before 100 BCE, when we find Ps. 79:2ff quoted as Scripture in I Macc. 7:16 ff, as mentioned above.

The other acrostic, in ps. 110, vv.1-4, reads *Σίμων* (Simeon), and this, conjointly with the contents of the ps., shows the poem to have been the oracle by which Simon Maccabeus was solemnly confirmed in the office of leader and high priest in 141 BCE. (Cf. I Macc. 14:41.)

Then there are 118 and 149, which are thanksgiving pss. that may have been inspired by the military successes of Judas.

And lastly Pfeiffer gives a rather long list of 14 pss. which may possibly reflect the revival of nationalism and religion during the Macc. struggles - such as 46-48, in which Jehovah is lauded as the deliverer of Israel; and 66-68, wherein Jehovah displays His providence over the people.

So far as coming to any general, or even specific conclusions is concerned, it is clear from all the foregoing that this is impossible. We have offered the views of men ranging from one extreme to another; from Cheyne, who considers huge portions of the psalter Macc., to Buttenwieser, who considers none of it to be. The best we can do, and that is the method which has been followed in this paper, is to gather a consensus of opinion on particular psalms, then investigate those which seem most generally to be considered as at least candidates. These have been psalms 44, 74, 79, and 83. While no categorical ~~or~~-inclusio decision would mean very much, it is the considered opinion of the writer, who has taken great care to present all the arguments against a Macc. dating for these four, that there do appear clear and definite Macc. tendencies, at least in these, if not in other of the psalms.

Macc. Psalms

Brujs:

33, 102 b, 109 b, 118, 139c

147, 149 (Hallel)

129 (Pilgrim collection)

Pfeiffer:

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44, 74, 79, 83
118, 149 (inspired by military success of ^{Judas} Macc.)

Brys. 12, 28, 36, 60 (=108), 80, 85, 108, 123, 102

46, 68, 66-68, 76, 87, 113, 124-126, 129, 144 (revival of nationalism)

James:

44

Barnes:

(44) ^{not this one}, 74, 79, 83

Cheyne:

20, 21, 33, 44, 60, 61, 63, 74, 79, 83, 101, 108, 115-118,
135-138, 145-147?, 148-150.

Gärtz - 30, 44, 74, 83, 115-118, 144, 148-150.