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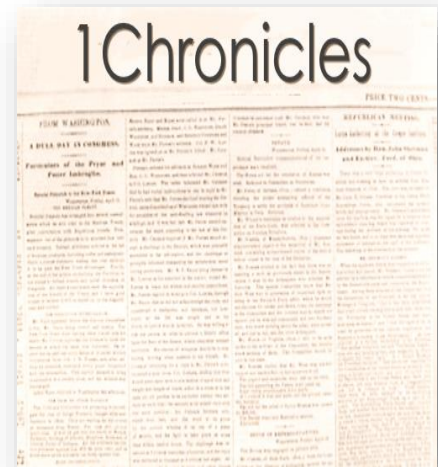
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The Bible is so interesting; even the Old Testament. Remember: when reading the 1st and 2nd Chronicles... we read history and events recorded from the perspective of the 2 tribes of the **Southern Kingdom**, the House of **Judah**;

not like 1st and 2nd Kings... where we read the historical perspective of the 10 tribes of the **Northern Kingdom**... the House of **Israel**.
David's last instructions to the People, and to his son Solomon

The Ark Brought to Jerusalem,



1 David built houses for himself in the City of David; and he prepared a place for the ark of God, and pitched a tent for it.

2 Then David said, No one may carry the ark of God but the Levites, for the Lord has chosen them to carry the ark of God and to minister before Him forever.

3 And David gathered all Israel together at Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of the Lord to its place, which he had prepared for it.

4 Then David assembled the children of Aaron and the Levites:

5 of the sons of Kohath, Uriel the chief, and 120 of his relatives;

6 of the sons of Merari, Asaiah the chief, and 220 of his relatives;

7 of the sons of Gershon, Joel the chief, and 130 of his relatives;

8 of the sons of Elizaphan, Shemaiah the chief, and 200 of his relatives;

9 of the sons of Hebron, Eliel the chief, and 80 of his relatives;

10 of the sons of Uzziel, Amminadab the chief, and 112 of his relatives.

11 And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites: for Uriel, Asaiah, Joel, Shemaiah, Eliel, and Amminadab.

12 He said to them, You are the heads of the fathers' houses of the Levites; sanctify yourselves, you and your relatives, that you may bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel to the place I have prepared for it.

13 For because you did not do it the first time, the Lord our God broke out against us, because we did not consult Him about the proper order.

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¹⁴ So the priests and the Levites sanctified themselves to bring up the ark of the Lord God of Israel.

¹⁵ And the children of the Levites bore the ark of God on their shoulders, by its poles, as Moses had instructed according to the word of the Lord.

¹⁶ Then David spoke to the leaders of the Levites to appoint their relatives to be the singers accompanied by instruments of music, stringed instruments, harps, and cymbals, by raising the voice with resounding joy.

¹⁷ So the Levites appointed Heman the son of Joel; and of his relatives, Asaph the son of Berechiah; and of their relatives, the sons of Merari, Ethan the son of Kushaiah;

¹⁸ and with them their relatives of the second rank: Zechariah, Ben, Jaaziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Benaiah, Maaseiah, Mattithiah, Elipheleh, Mikneiah, Obed-Edom, and Jeiel, the gatekeepers;

¹⁹ the singers, Heman, Asaph, and Ethan, were to sound the cymbals of bronze;

²⁰ Zechariah, Aziel, Shemiramoth, Jehiel, Unni, Eliab, Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with strings according to Alamoth;

²¹ Mattithiah, Elipheleh, Mikneiah, Obed-Edom, Jeiel, and Azaziah, to direct with harps on the Sheminith;

²² Chenaniah, leader of the Levites, was instructor in charge of the music, because he was skillful;

²³ Berechiah and Elkanah were doorkeepers for the ark;

²⁴ Shebaniah, Joshaphat, Nethanel, Amasai, Zechariah, Benaiah, and Eliezer, the priests, were to blow the trumpets before the ark of God; and Obed-Edom and Jehiah, doorkeepers for the ark.

²⁵ So David, the elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands went to bring up the ark of the covenant of the Lord from the house of Obed-Edom with joy.

²⁶ And so it was, when God helped the Levites who bore the ark of the covenant of the Lord, that they offered seven bulls and seven rams.

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²⁷ David was clothed with a robe of fine linen, as were all the Levites who bore the ark, the singers, and Chenaniah the music master with the singers. David also wore a linen ephod.

²⁸ Thus all Israel brought up the ark of the covenant of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the horn, with trumpets and with cymbals, making music with stringed instruments and harps.

²⁹ And it happened, as the ark of the covenant of the Lord came to the City of David, that Michal, Saul's daughter, looked through a window and saw King David whirling and playing music; and she despised him in her heart. / she did not have a happy face on that joyous day.

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