

of HaMelech.

|8| And his sarim gave linedavah (voluntarily) unto HaAm, to the Kohanim, to the Levi'im. Chilkiyah, Zecharyahu, Yechiel, negidei Beis HaElohim, gave unto the Kohanim for the Pesachim 2,600 and 300 bakar.

|9| Conanyah also, and Shemayahu and Netanel, his achim, and Chashavyahu and Ye'iel and Yozavad, Sarei HaLevi'im, gave unto the Levi'im for Pesachim 5,000 and 500 bakar.

|10| So the Avodah (Service) was prepared, and the Kohanim stood in their place, and the Levi'im in their machlekot, according to the mitzvat HaMelech.

|11| And they slaughtered the Pesach, and the Kohanim sprinkled the dahm from their hands, and the Levi'im skinned them.

|12| And they removed the olah, that they might give according to the pelugot l'Bais Avot l'Bnei HaAm, to offer unto Hashem, as it is written in the Sefer Moshe. And so did they with the bakar.

|13| And they roasted the Pesach with eish according to the mishpat; but the other kadashim they boiled in pots, and in caldrons, and in pans, and distributed them in haste among kol Bnei HaAm.

|14| And afterward they made ready for themselves, and for the Kohanim; because the Kohanim the Bnei Aharon were busied in offering olah and the chalavim (fats) until lailah; therefore the Levi'im prepared for themselves, and for the Kohanim, the Bnei Aharon.

|15| And the meshorarim (singers), the Bnei Asaph, were in their place, according to the mitzvat Dovid, and Asaph, and Heman, and Yedutun, Chozech HaMelech; and the

sho'arim (gatekeepers) were at every sha'ar; neither did they need to depart from their Avodah, for their achim the Levi'im prepared for them.

|16| So all the Avodas Hashem was prepared that same day, to keep the Pesach, and to offer olot upon the Mizbe'ach Hashem, according to the mitzvat HaMelech Yoshiyahu.

|17| And the Bnei Yisroel that were present kept the Pesach at that time, and the Chag HaMatzot seven days.

|18| And there was no Pesach like it in Yisroel from the days of Shmuel HaNavi; neither did all the Melachim of Yisroel keep such a Pesach as Yoshiyahu kept, and the Kohanim, and the Levi'im, and kol Yehudah and Yisroel that were present, and the inhabitants of Yerushalayim.

|19| In the eighteenth shanah of the reign of Yoshiyahu was this Pesach kept.

|20| After all this, when Yoshiyahu had set in order the Beis [*HaMikdash*], Necho Melech Mitzrayim went up to fight at Carchemish on the Euphrates, and Yoshiyahu went up against him.

|21| But he sent malachim to him, saying, Mah li valach (What have I to do with thee), thou Melech Yehudah? I come not against thee this day, but against the Bais wherewith I have war [*i.e., Babylon*], for Elohim commanded me to make haste; forbear thee from meddling with Elohim, Who is with me, that He destroy thee not.

|22| Nevertheless Yoshiyahu would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and paid heed not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of Elohim, and went to fight in the Valley of Megiddo.

|23| And the archers shot at Melech Yoshiyahu; and HaMelech said to his avadim, Take me away; for I am badly wounded.

|24| His avadim therefore took him out of that merkavah, and put him in the mishneh merkavah that he had; and they brought him to Yerushalayim, and he died, and was buried in the kivot Avotav. And all Yehudah and Yerushalayim mourned for Yoshiyahu.

|25| And Yirmeyahu lamented for Yoshiyahu; and all the sharim (singing men) and the sharot (singing women) commemorate Yoshiyahu in their laments to this day, and made them as chok [set custom] in Yisroel; and, hinei, they are written in HaKinot (the Laments).

|26| Now the rest of the acts of Yoshiyahu, and his acts of chesed, according to what is written in the Torat Hashem, |27| And his deeds, harishonim and ha'acharonim, hinei, they are written in the Sefer of the Melachim of Yisroel and Yehudah.

36 Then the Am Ha'Aretz took Yehoachaz ben Yoshiyahu, and made him melech in the place of Aviv in Yerushalayim.

|2| Yehoachaz was twenty and three years old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months in Yerushalayim.

|3| And Melech Mitzrayim deposed him at Yerushalayim, and laid on HaAretz a tribute of a hundred talents of kesef and a talent of zahav.

|4| And Melech Mitzrayim made Elyakim his brother