

Chronicles Notes

The last books in the Bible according to the traditional Jewish order

Rewritings of the Samuel-Kings history; slightly better separated, but still meant to be read together.

Talk about the genre of rewritten Bible, of which this is the only example that made it in to the Tanach

Beginning- 9 chapters of genealogy.

extra material introduced- lots of detail.

Theological differences- More God-centered, theologically precise language.

Satan is present and responsible for some bad things.

2Sam 7

7:14 I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to Me. When he does wrong, I will chastise him with the rod of men and the affliction of mortals;

7:15 but I will never withdraw My favor from him as I withdrew it from Saul, whom I removed to make room for you.

7:16 Your house and your kingship shall ever be secure before you; your throne shall be established forever."

1Chron 17

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17:13 I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to Me, but I will never withdraw My favor from him as I withdrew it from your predecessor.

17:14 I will install him in My house and in My kingship forever, and his throne shall be established forever."

2Sam 24

24:1 The anger of the LORD again flared up against Israel; and He incited David against them, saying, "Go and number Israel and Judah."

24:2 The king said to Joab, his army commander, "Make the rounds of all the tribes of Israel, from Dan to Beer-sheba, and take a census of the people, so that I may know the size of the population."

24:3 Joab answered the king, "May the LORD your God increase the number of the people a hundredfold, while your own eyes see it! But why should my lord king want this?"

24:4 However, the king's command to Joab and to the officers of the army remained firm; and Joab and the officers of the army set out, at the instance of the king, to take a census of the people of Israel.

1Chron 21

21:1 Satan arose against Israel and incited David to number Israel.

21:2 David said to Joab and to the commanders of the army, "Go and count Israel from Beer-sheba to Dan and bring me information as to their number."

21:3 Joab answered, "May the LORD increase His people a hundredfold; my lord king, are they not all subjects of my lord? Why should my lord require this? Why should it be a cause of guilt for Israel?"

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21:4 However, the king's command to Joab remained firm, so Joab set out and traversed all Israel; he then came to Jerusalem.

Difference in how Solomon is crowned, and in David's charge to him- a big difference. Nothing about Adonijah, nothing about David saying who is loyal and who is not. Solomon is designated and is publicly charged by David with building the Temple.

Difference in the endings- Chron knows more, takes it all the way through the Babylonian exile so it can end with a Cyrus cylinder

2Chron 36

36:22 And in the first year of King Cyrus of Persia, when the word of the LORD spoken by Jeremiah was fulfilled, the LORD roused the spirit of King Cyrus of Persia to issue a proclamation throughout his realm by word of mouth and in writing, as follows:

36:23 "Thus said King Cyrus of Persia: The LORD God of Heaven has given me all the kingdoms of the earth, and has charged me with building Him a House in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Any one of you of all His people, the LORD his God be with him and let him go up."

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