Ezra 4

Englische King James Version von 1611/1769 mit Strongs



1 Now when the adversaries^{H6862} of Judah^{H3063} and Benjamin^{H1144} heard^{H8085} that the children^{H1121} of the captivity^{H1473} builded^{H1129} the temple^{H1964} unto the LORD^{H3068} God^{H430} of Israel^{H3478,1} **2** Then they came^{H5066} to Zerubbabel^{H2216}, and to the chief^{H7218} of the fathers^{H1}, and said^{H559} unto them, Let us build^{H1129} with you: for we seek^{H1875} your God^{H430}, as ye do; and we do sacrifice^{H2076} unto him since the days^{H3117} of Esarhaddon^{H634} king^{H428} of Assur^{H804}, which brought us up hither^{H5927}. **3** But Zerubbabel^{H2216}, and Jeshua^{H3442}, and the rest^{H7605} of the chief^{H7218} of the fathers^{H1} of Israel^{H3478}, said^{H559} unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build^{H1129} an house^{H1004} unto our God^{H430}; but we ourselves together^{H3162} will build^{H1129} unto the LORD^{H3068} God^{H430} of Israel^{H3478}, as king^{H4428} Cyrus^{H3566} the king^{H4428} of Persia^{H6539} hath commanded^{H6680} us. **4** Then the people^{H5971} of the land^{H776} weakened^{H7503} the hands^{H3027} of the people^{H5971} of Judah^{H3063}, and troubled^{H926 H1089} them in building^{H1129}, **5** And hired^{H7936} counsellors^{H3289} against them, to frustrate^{H6565} their purpose^{H6098}, all the days^{H3117} of Cyrus^{H3566} king^{H4428} of Persia^{H6539}, even until the reign^{H4438} of Darius^{H1867} king^{H4428} of Persia^{H6539}.

6 And in the reign^{H4438} of Ahasuerus^{H325}, in the beginning^{H8462} of his reign^{H4438}, wrote^{H3789} they unto him an accusation^{H7855} against the inhabitants^{H3427} of Judah^{H3063} and Jerusalem^{H3389.2} 7 And in the days^{H3117} of Artaxerxes^{H783} wrote^{H3789} Bishlam^{H1312}, Mithredath^{H4990}, Tabeel^{H2870}, and the rest^{H7605} of their companions^{H3674}, unto Artaxerxes^{H783} king^{H4428} of Persia^{H6539}; and the writing^{H3791} of the letter^{H5406} was written^{H3789} in the Syrian tongue^{H762}, and interpreted^{H8638} in the Syrian tongue^{H762,34} 8 Rehum^{H7348} the chancellor^{H1169 H2942} and Shimshai^{H8124} the scribe^{H5613} wrote^{H3790} a^{H2298} letter^{H104} against^{H5922} Jerusalem^{H3390} to Artaxerxes^{H783} the king^{H4430} in this sort^{H3660,5} 9 Then^{H116} wrote Rehum^{H7348} the chancellor^{H1169 H2942}, and Shimshai^{H8124} the scribe^{H5613}, and the rest^{H7606} of their companions^{H3675}; the Dinaites^{H1784}, the Apharsathchites^{H671}, the Tarpelites^{H2967}, the Apharsites^{H670}, the Archevites^{H756}, the Babylonians^{H896}, the Susanchites^{H7801}, the Dehavites^{H1723}, and the Elamites^{H5962},⁶ **10** And the rest^{H7606} of the nations^{H524} whom^{H1768} the great^{H7229} and noble^{H3358} Asnappar^{H620} brought over^{H1541}, and set^{H3488 H1994} in the cities^{H7149} of Samaria^{H8115}, and the rest^{H7606} that are on this side^{H5675} the river^{H5103}, and at such a time^{H3706,7} **11** This^{H1836} is the copy^{H6573} of the letter^{H104} that^{H1768} they sent^{H7972} unto him^{H5922}, even unto Artaxerxes^{H783} the king^{H4430}; Thy servants^{H5649} the men^{H606} on this side^{H5675} the river^{H5103}, and at such a time^{H3706}. **12** Be it^{H1934} known^{H3046} unto the $king^{H4430}$, that the Jews^{H3062} which^{H1768} came up^{H5559} from H4481 thee H3890 to us^{H5922} are come^{H858} unto Jerusalem^{H3390}, building^{H1124} the rebellious^{H4779} and the bad^{H873} city^{H7149}, and have set up^{H3635 H3635} the walls^{H7792} thereof, and joined^{H2338} the foundations^{H787}.⁸⁹ **13** Be it known^{H3046 H1934} now^{H3705} unto the king^{H4430}, that, if^{H2006} this^{H1791} city^{H7149} be builded^{H1124}, and the walls^{H7792} set up^{H3635} again, then will they not^{H3809} pay^{H5415} toll^{H4061}, tribute^{H1093}, and custom^{H1983}, and so thou shalt endamage^{H5142} the revenue^{H674} of the kings^{H4430}.¹⁰¹¹ **14** Now^{H3705} because^{H6903} H3606</sup> we have^{H1768} maintenance^{H4415 H4416} from the king's palace^{H1965}, and it was not^{H3809} meet^{H749} for us to see^{H2370} the king's^{H4430} dishonour^{H6173}, therefore^{H5922 H1836} have we sent^{H7972} and certified^{H3046} the king^{H4430};¹² **15** That search^{H1240} may be made in the book^{H5609} of the records^{H1799} of thy fathers^{H2}: so shalt thou find^{H7912} in the book^{H5609} of the records^{H1799}, and know^{H3046} that this^{H1791} city^{H7149} is a rebellious^{H4779} city^{H7149}, and hurtful^{H5142} unto kings^{H4430} and provinces^{H4083}, and that they have moved^{H5648} sedition^{H849} within the same^{H1459} of^{H4481} old^{H5957} time^{H3118}. for^{H5922} which^{H1836} cause was this^{H1791} city^{H7149} destroyed^{H2718}.¹³¹⁴ **16** We^{H586} certify^{H3046} the king^{H4430} that, if^{H2006} this^{H1791} city^{H7149} be builded^{H1124} again, and the walls^{H7792} thereof set up^{H3635}, by this^{H1836} means^{H6903} thou shalt have^{H383} no^{H3809} portion^{H2508} on this side^{H5675} the river^{H5103}.

17 Then sent^{H7972} the king^{H4430} an answer^{H6600} unto^{H5922} Rehum^{H7348} the chancellor^{H1169 H2942}, and to Shimshai^{H8124} the scribe^{H5613}, and to the rest^{H7606} of their companions^{H3675} that dwell^{H3488} in Samaria^{H8115}, and unto the rest^{H7606} beyond^{H5675} the river^{H5103}, Peace^{H8001}, and at such a time^{H3706}.¹⁵ **18** The letter^{H5407} which ye sent^{H7972} unto us^{H5922} hath

been plainly^{H6568} read^{H7123} before^{H6925} me. **19** And I^{H4481} commanded^{H7761 H2942}, and search^{H1240} hath been made, and it is found^{H7912} that this^{H1791} city^{H7149} of^{H4481} old^{H5957} time^{H3118} hath made insurrection^{H5376} against^{H5922} kings^{H4430}, and that rebellion^{H4776} and sedition^{H849} have been made^{H5648} therein.¹⁶¹⁷ **20** There have been^{H1934} mighty^{H8624} kings^{H4430} also over^{H5922} Jerusalem^{H3390}, which have ruled^{H7990} over all^{H3606} countries beyond^{H5675} the river^{H5103}; and toll^{H4061}, tribute^{H1093}, and custom^{H1983}, was paid^{H3052} unto them. **21** Give^{H7761} ye now^{H3705} commandment^{H2942} to cause^{H989} these^{H479} men^{H1400} to cease^{H989}, and that this^{H1791} city^{H7149} be not^{H3809} builded^{H1124}, until^{H5705} another commandment^{H2941} shall be given^{H7761} from me^{H4481}.¹⁸ **22** Take heed^{H1934}H2095 now that ye fail^{H7960} not to do^{H5922}H5648 this^{H1836}: why^{H4101} should damage^{H2257} grow^{H7680} to the hurt^{H5142} of the kings^{H4430}? **23** Now^{H116} when^{H4481 H1768} the copy^{H6573} of king^{H4430} Artaxerxes^{H783} letter^{H5407} was read^{H7123} before^{H6925} Rehum^{H7348}, and Shimshai^{H8124} the scribe^{H5613}, and their companions^{H3675}, they went up^{H236} in haste^{H924} to Jerusalem^{H3390} unto^{H5922} the Jews^{H3062}, and made them^{H1994} to cease^{H989} by force^{H153} and power^{H2429 19} **24** Then^{H116} ceased^{H989} the work^{H5673} of the house^{H1005} of God^{H426} which is at Jerusalem^{H3390}. So it ceased^{H1934 H389} unto^{H5705} the second^{H8648} year^{H8140} of the reign^{H4437} of Darius^{H1868} king^{H4430} of Persia^{H6540}.

Fußnoten

- 1. the children ...: Heb. the sons of the transportation
- 2. Ahasuerus: Heb. Ahashverosh
- 3. Bishlam: or, in peace
- 4. companions: Heb. societies
- 5. scribe: or, secretary
- 6. companions: Chald. societies
- 7. at such ...: Chaldee, Cheeneth
- 8. set up: or, finished
- 9. joined: Chal. sewed together
- 10. pay: Chal. give
- 11. revenue: or, strength
- 12. we have ...: Chal. we are salted with the salt of the palace
- 13. moved: Cald. made
- 14. within ...: Chald. in the midst thereof
- 15. companions: Chal. societies
- 16. I commanded: Chald. by me a decree is set
- 17. made insurrection: Chald. lifted up itself
- 18. Give ...: Chaldee, Make a decree
- 19. by force ...: Chaldee, by arm and power