

Judges 18

Englische King James Version von 1611/1769 mit Strongs



1 In those days^{H3117} there was no king^{H4428} in Israel^{H3478}: and in those days^{H3117} the tribe^{H7626} of the Danites^{H1839} sought^{H1245} them an inheritance^{H5159} to dwell in^{H3427}; for unto that day^{H3117} all their inheritance^{H5159} had not fallen^{H5307} unto them among^{H8432} the tribes^{H7626} of Israel^{H3478}. 2 And the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835} sent^{H7971} of their family^{H4940} five^{H2568} men^{H582} from their coasts^{H7098}, men^{H1121} of valour^{H2428}, from Zorah^{H6881}, and from Eshtaol^{H847}, to spy^{H7270} out the land^{H776}, and to search^{H2713} it; and they said^{H559} unto them, Go^{H3212}, search^{H2713} the land^{H776}: who when they came^{H935} to mount^{H2022} Ephraim^{H669}, to the house^{H1004} of Micah^{H4318}, they lodged^{H3885} there.¹ 3 When they were by the house^{H1004} of Micah^{H4318}, they knew^{H5234} the voice^{H6963} of the young man^{H5288} the Levite^{H3881}: and they turned in^{H5493} thither, and said^{H559} unto him, Who brought^{H935} thee hither^{H1988}? and what maketh^{H6213} thou in this place? and what hast thou here? 4 And he said^{H559} unto them, Thus^{H2090} and thus^{H2090} dealeth^{H6213} Micah^{H4318} with me, and hath hired^{H7936} me, and I am his priest^{H3548}. 5 And they said^{H559} unto him, Ask counsel^{H7592}, we pray thee, of God^{H430}, that we may know^{H3045} whether our way^{H1870} which we go^{H1980} shall be prosperous^{H6743}. 6 And the priest^{H3548} said^{H559} unto them, Go^{H3212} in peace^{H7965}: before^{H5227} the LORD^{H3068} is your way^{H1870} wherein ye go^{H3212}.

7 Then the five^{H2568} men^{H582} departed^{H3212}, and came^{H935} to Laish^{H3919}, and saw^{H7200} the people^{H5971} that were therein^{H7130}, how they dwelt^{H3427} careless^{H983}, after the manner^{H4941} of the Zidonians^{H6722}, quiet^{H8252} and secure^{H982}, and there was no magistrate^{H3423 H6114} in the land^{H776}, that might put them to shame^{H3637} in any thing^{H1697}; and they were far^{H7350} from the Zidonians^{H6722}, and had no business^{H1697} with any man^{H120}. 8 And they came^{H935} unto their brethren^{H251} to Zorah^{H6881} and Eshtaol^{H847}: and their brethren^{H251} said^{H559} unto them, What say ye? 9 And they said^{H559}, Arise^{H6965}, that we may go up^{H5927} against them: for we have seen^{H7200} the land^{H776}, and, behold, it is very^{H3966} good^{H2896}: and are ye still^{H2814}? be not slothful^{H6101} to go^{H3212}, and to enter^{H935} to possess^{H3423} the land^{H776}. 10 When ye go^{H935}, ye shall come^{H935} unto a people^{H5971} secure^{H982}, and to a large^{H7342} land^{H776}: for God^{H430} hath given^{H5414} it into your hands^{H3027}; a place^{H4725} where there is no want^{H4270} of any thing^{H1697} that is in the earth^{H776}. 11 And there went^{H5265} from thence of the family^{H4940} of the Danites^{H1839}, out of Zorah^{H6881} and out of Eshtaol^{H847}, six^{H8337} hundred^{H3967} men^{H376} appointed^{H2296} with weapons^{H3627} of war^{H4421}. 12 And they went up^{H5927}, and pitched^{H2583} in Kirjathjearim^{H7157}, in Judah^{H3063}: wherefore they called^{H7121} that place^{H4725} Mahanehdan^{H4265} unto this day^{H3117}: behold, it is behind^{H310} Kirjathjearim^{H7157}. 13 And they passed^{H5674} thence unto mount^{H2022} Ephraim^{H669}, and came^{H935} unto the house^{H1004} of Micah^{H4318}.

14 Then answered^{H6030} the five^{H2568} men^{H582} that went^{H1980} to spy out^{H7270} the country^{H776} of Laish^{H3919}, and said^{H559} unto their brethren^{H251}, Do ye know^{H3045} that there is^{H3426} in these houses^{H1004} an ephod^{H646}, and teraphim^{H8655}, and a graven image^{H6459}, and a molten image^{H4541}? now therefore consider^{H3045} what ye have to do^{H6213}. 15 And they turned^{H5493} thitherward, and came^{H935} to the house^{H1004} of the young man^{H5288} the Levite^{H3881}, even unto the house^{H1004} of Micah^{H4318}, and saluted^{H7592 H7965} him.⁴ 16 And the six^{H8337} hundred^{H3967} men^{H376} appointed^{H2296} with their weapons^{H3627} of war^{H4421}, which were of the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835}, stood^{H5324} by the entering^{H6607} of the gate^{H8179}. 17 And the five^{H2568} men^{H582} that went^{H1980} to spy out^{H7270} the land^{H776} went up^{H5927}, and came in^{H935} thither, and took^{H3947} the graven image^{H6459}, and the ephod^{H646}, and the teraphim^{H8655}, and the molten image^{H4541}: and the priest^{H3548} stood^{H5324} in the entering^{H6607} of the gate^{H8179} with the six^{H8337} hundred^{H3967} men^{H376} that were appointed^{H2296} with weapons^{H3627} of war^{H4421}. 18 And these went^{H935} into Micah's^{H4318} house^{H1004}, and fetched^{H3947} the carved image^{H6459}, the ephod^{H646}, and the teraphim^{H8655}, and the molten image^{H4541}. Then said^{H559} the priest^{H3548} unto them, What do^{H6213} ye? 19 And they said^{H559} unto him, Hold thy peace^{H2790}, lay^{H7760} thine hand^{H3027} upon thy mouth^{H6310}, and go^{H3212} with us, and be to us^{H1961} a father^{H1} and a priest^{H3548}: is it better^{H2896} for thee to be a priest^{H3548} unto the house^{H1004} of one^{H259} man^{H376}, or that thou be a priest^{H3548} unto a tribe^{H7626} and a family^{H4940} in Israel^{H3478}? 20

And the priest's^{H3548} heart^{H3820} was glad^{H3190}, and he took^{H3947} the ephod^{H646}, and the teraphim^{H8655}, and the graven image^{H6459}, and went in^{H935} the midst^{H7130} of the people^{H5971}. **21** So they turned^{H6437} and departed^{H3212}, and put^{H7760} the little ones^{H2945} and the cattle^{H4735} and the carriage^{H3520} before^{H6440} them. **22** And when they were a good way^{H7368} from the house^{H1004} of Micah^{H4318}, the men^{H582} that were in the houses^{H1004} near to Micah's^{H4318} house^{H1004} were gathered together^{H2199}, and overtook^{H1692} the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835}. **23** And they cried^{H7121} unto the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835}. And they turned^{H5437} their faces^{H6440}, and said^{H559} unto Micah^{H4318}, What aileth thee, that thou comest with such a company^{H2199}? **24** And he said^{H559}, Ye have taken away^{H3947} my gods^{H430} which I made^{H6213}, and the priest^{H3548}, and ye are gone away^{H3212}: and what have I more? and what is this that ye say^{H559} unto me, What aileth thee? **25** And the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835} said^{H559} unto him, Let not thy voice^{H6963} be heard^{H8085} among us, lest angry^{H4751} fellows^{H582} run^{H6293} upon thee, and thou lose^{H622} thy life^{H5315}, with the lives^{H5315} of thy household^{H1004}. **26** And the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835} went^{H3212} their way^{H1870}: and when Micah^{H4318} saw^{H7200} that they were too strong^{H2389} for him, he turned^{H6437} and went back^{H7725} unto his house^{H1004}.

27 And they took^{H3947} the things which Micah^{H4318} had made^{H6213}, and the priest^{H3548} which he had, and came^{H935} unto Laish^{H3919}, unto a people^{H5971} that were at quiet^{H8252} and secure^{H982}: and they smote^{H5221} them with the edge^{H6310} of the sword^{H2719}, and burnt^{H8313} the city^{H5892} with fire^{H784}. **28** And there was no deliverer^{H5337}, because it was far^{H7350} from Zidon^{H6721}, and they had no business^{H1697} with any man^{H120}; and it was in the valley^{H6010} that lieth by Bethrehob^{H1050}. And they built^{H1129} a city^{H5892}, and dwelt^{H3427} therein. **29** And they called^{H7121} the name^{H8034} of the city^{H5892} Dan^{H1835}, after the name^{H8034} of Dan^{H1835} their father^{H1}, who was born^{H3205} unto Israel^{H3478}: howbeit^{H199} the name^{H8034} of the city^{H5892} was Laish^{H3919} at the first^{H7223}. **30** And the children^{H1121} of Dan^{H1835} set up^{H6965} the graven image^{H6459}: and Jonathan^{H3083}, the son^{H1121} of Gershom^{H1647}, the son^{H1121} of Manasseh^{H4519}, he and his sons^{H1121} were priests^{H3548} to the tribe^{H7626} of Dan^{H1839} until the day^{H3117} of the captivity^{H1540} of the land^{H776}. **31** And they set them up^{H7760} Micah's^{H4318} graven image^{H6459}, which he made^{H6213}, all the time^{H3117} that the house^{H1004} of God^{H430} was in Shiloh^{H7887}.

Fußnoten

1. men of: Heb. sons of
2. magistrate: Heb. possessor, or, heir of restraint
3. appointed: Heb. girded
4. saluted...: Heb. asked him of peace
5. comest...: Heb. art gathered together?
6. angry: Heb. bitter of soul