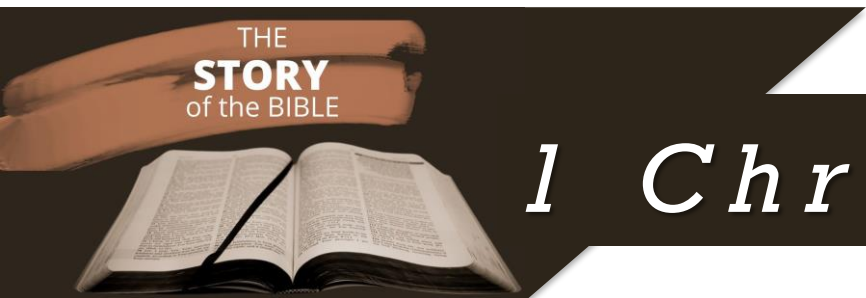


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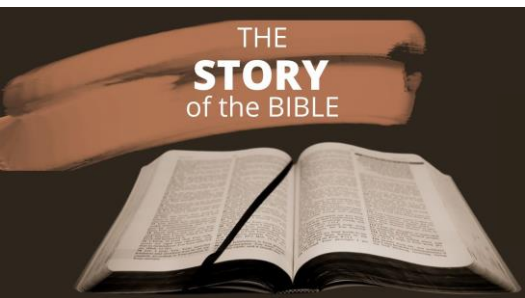


The descendants of Judah: Perez, Hezron, Karmi, Hur and Shobal. Reaiah son of Shobal was the father of Jahath, and Jahath the father of Ahumai and Lahad. These were the clans of the Zorathites. These were the sons of Etam: Jezreel, Ishma and Idbash. Their sister was named Hazzelponi. Penuel was the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah.



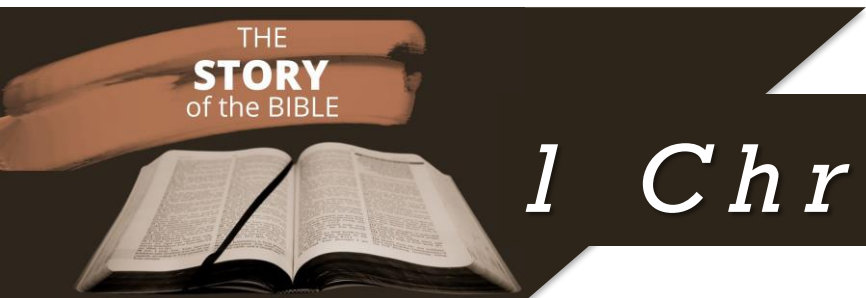
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These were the descendants of Hur, the firstborn of Ephrathah and father of Bethlehem. Ashhur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah. Naarah bore him Ahuzzam, Hephher, Temeni and Haahashtari. These were the descendants of Naarah. The sons of Helah: Zereth, Zohar, Ethnan, and Koz, who was the father of Anub and Hazzobebah and of the clans of Aharhel son of Harum.



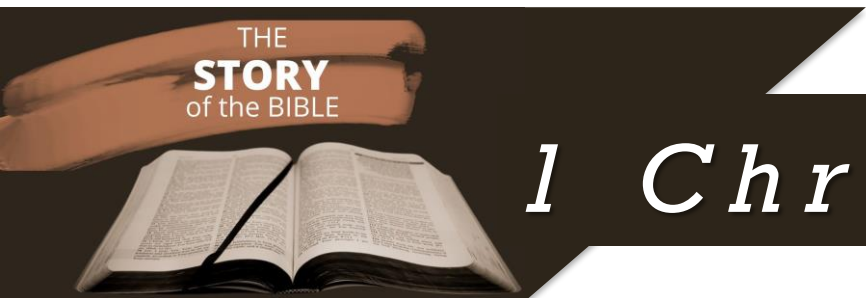
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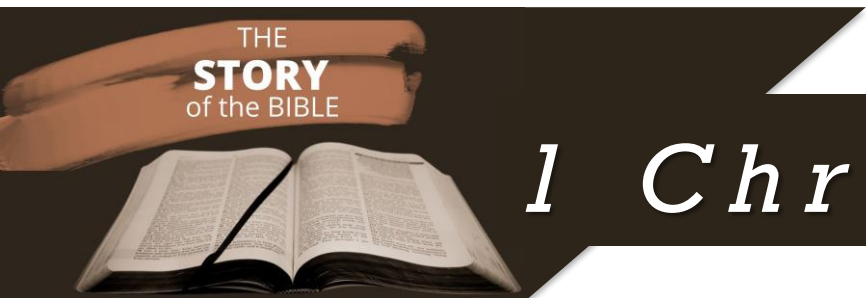
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Kelub, Shuhah's brother, was the father of Mehir, who was the father of Eshton. Eshton was the father of Beth Rapha, Paseah and Tehinnah the father of Ir Nahash. These were the men of Rekah.



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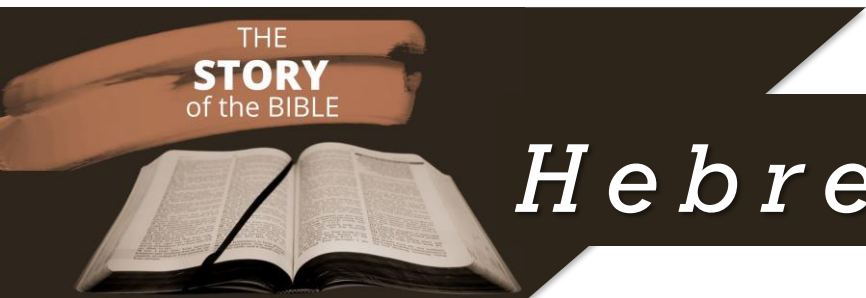
No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: **Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead**, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.



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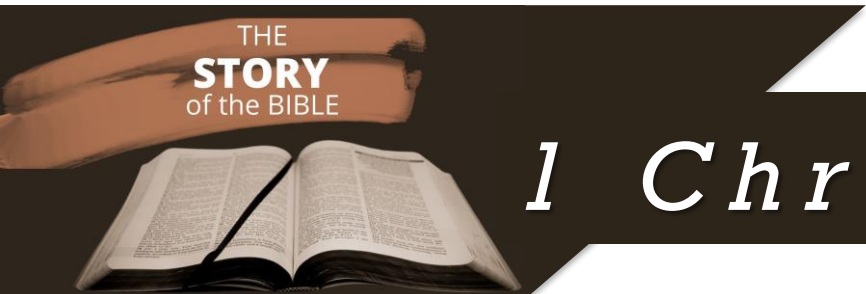
Philippians 3:13-14 (NLT)

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And **let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith...**



Hebrews 12:1-2 (NIV)

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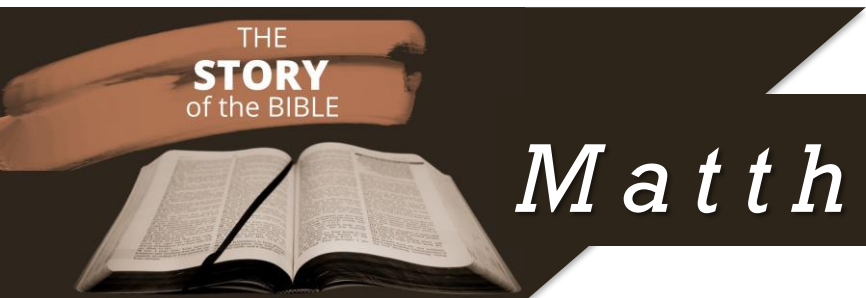
Jabez brought God an empty cup and asked Him
to fill it as He saw fit.

That's a prayer of faith.

Let God decide what to fill your cup with and how
high.

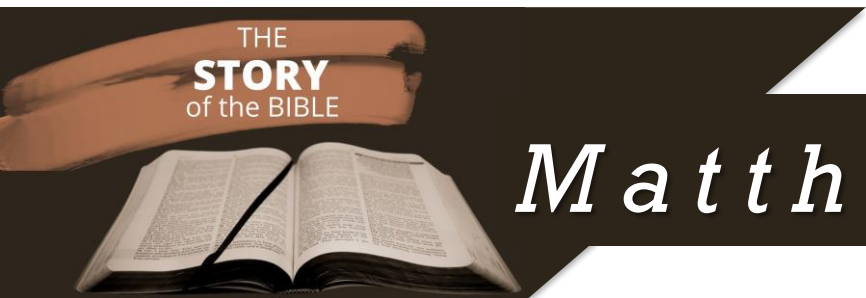


But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and
all these things will be given to you as well.



Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

“**Ask** and it will be given to you; **seek** and you will find;
knock and the door will be opened to you. For
everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds;
and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.
“Which of you, if your son asks for bread, will give him
a stone?”



Matthew 7:7–11 (NIV)

Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!**



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1 Chronicles 4:10 (NIV)

‘Expect Great Things’ and ‘Attempt Great Things’.

William Carey – missionary to India

"Please expand my opportunities and my impact in such a way that I can influence more lives for you. Let me do more for you!"



...You do not have because you do not ask God.

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James 4:2 (NIV)

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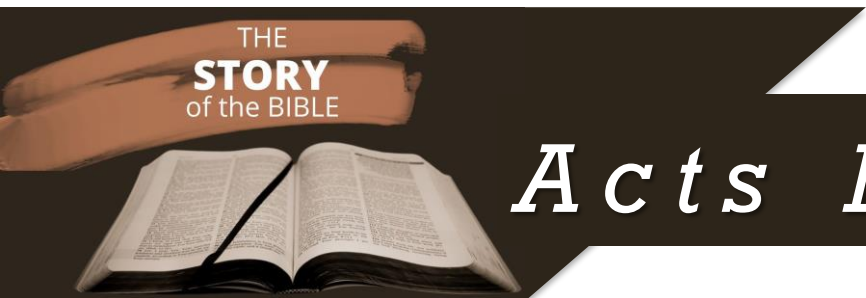
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1 Chronicles 4:10 (NIV)

The Lord's hand was with them, and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.



Acts 11:21 (NIV)

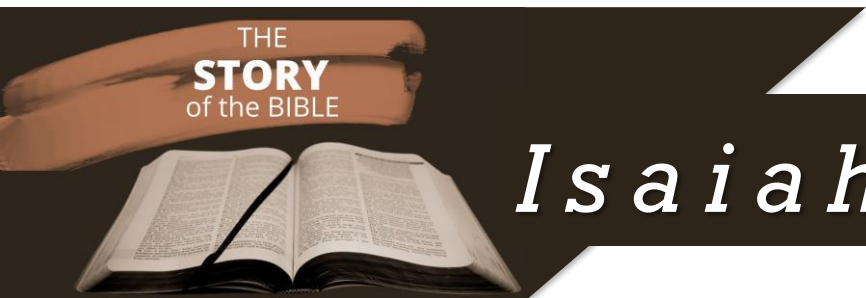
Now this I know: The Lord gives victory to his anointed. He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary with the victorious power of his right hand.



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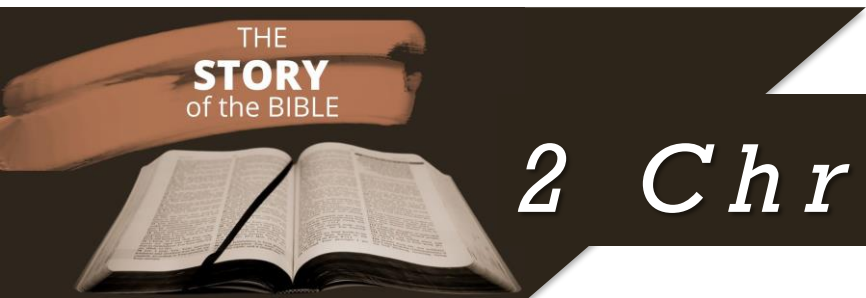
Psalm 20:6 (NIV)

Surely the arm of the Lord is not too short to save, nor
his ear too dull to hear.



Isaiah 59:1 (NIV)

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him...



2 Chronicles 16:9 (NIV)

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1 Chronicles 4:10 (NIV)

He didn't ask for strength to conquer/confront
evil... but rather to not even go near it!



And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from
the evil one.'

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Matthew 6:13 (NIV)

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❖ So...God granted him what he requested

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