Shemot

[SHEMOS]

- ¹ Now these are the Shemot Bnei Yisroel, which came into Mitzrayim; every ish and his bais came with Ya'akov:
 - ² Reuven, Shim'on, Levi, and Yehudah,
 - ³ Yissakhar, Zevulun, and Binyamin,
 - ⁴Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
- ⁵ And all the nefesh that came out of the loins of Ya'akov were seventy nefesh; for Yosef was in Mitzrayim already.
- ⁶ And Yosef died, and all his achim, and all that generation.
- ⁷ And the Bnei Yisroel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and became exceeding strong; and the land was filled with them.
- ⁸ Now there arose a melech chadash over Mitzrayim, which had no da'as of Yosef.
- ⁹ And he said unto his people, Hinei, the Am Bnei Yisroel are more and stronger than we.
- ¹⁰ Come, let us outsmart them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any milchamah, they join also unto our enemies, and fight against us, and so get them up out of the land.
- ¹¹Therefore they did set over them sarei missim *(taskmasters)* to afflict them with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh supply cities, Pitom and Ra'meses.

- ¹² But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied and spread out. And they were in dread because of the Bnei Yisroel.
- ¹³ And the Egyptians made the Bnei Yisroel to serve with rigor;
- ¹⁴ And they made their lives bitter with avodah kashah (hard bondage), in mortar, and in brick, and in all manner of avodah in the sadeh; all their service, wherein they made them serve, was with rigor.
- ¹⁵ And Melech Mitzrayim spoke to the meyalledot Halvriyyot (*Hebrew midwives*), of which the shem of the one was Shiphrah, and of the other Puah;
- ¹⁶ And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to Halvriyyot *(the Hebrew women)* and see them upon the delivery stool; if it be a ben, then ye shall kill him; but if it be a bat, then she shall live.
- ¹⁷ But the meyalledot feared HaElohim, and did not as Melech Mitzrayim commanded them, but saved the yeladim alive.
- ¹⁸ So Melech Mitzrayim called for the meyalledot, and said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the yeladim alive?
- ¹⁹ And the meyalledot said unto Pharaoh, Because Halvriyyot are not as the Egyptian women; for they are vigorous, and are delivered before the meyalledot come in unto them.
- ²⁰Therefore Elohim dealt well with the meyalledot; and the people multiplied, and grew very strong.

²¹ And it came to pass, because the meyalledot feared HaElohim, that He established them batim.

²² And Pharaoh charged all his people, saying, Every ben that is born ye shall cast into the Nile, and every bat ye shall save alive.

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¹ And there went an ish of the Bais Levi, and took to wife a bat Levi.

² And the isha conceived, and bore a ben; and when she saw him that he was tov, she hid him

three months.

- ³ And when she could no longer hide him, she took for him a tevah (*ark*) of papyrus, and daubed it with tar and with pitch, and put the yeled therein; and she set it in the reeds by the bank of the Nile.
 - ⁴ And his achot stood afar off, to see what would

be done to him.

- ⁵ And the Bat Pharaoh came down to bathe herself at the Nile; and her na'arot walked along by the Nile's bank; and when she saw the tevah (ark) among the reeds, she sent her amah (maid servant) to fetch it.
- ⁶ And when she had opened it, she saw the yeled; and, hinei, the na'ar was crying. And she had compassion on him, and said, This one is of the yaldei HaIvrim (*Hebrew children*).
- ⁷ Then said his achot to Bat Pharaoh, Shall I go and call to thee a nurse of HaIvriyyot, that she may nurse the yeled for thee?
- ⁸ And Bat Pharaoh said to her, Go. And haalmah* went and called the em hayeled.

^{* 2:8} See Gn 24:43; Isa 7:14

- ⁹ And Bat Pharaoh said unto her, Take this yeled away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages. And the isha took the yeled, and nursed it.
- ¹⁰ And the yeled grew, and she brought him unto Bat Pharaoh, and he became her ben. And she called shmo Moshe: and she said, Because meshitihu (*I drew him*) out of the mayim.
- ¹¹ And it came to pass in those days, when Moshe was grown, that he went out unto his achim, and looked on their sevalot: and he spied an Egyptian striking an ish Ivri, one of his achim.
- ¹² And he looked this way and that way, and when he saw that there was no ish, he killed the Egyptian, and hid him in the chol (sand).
- ¹³ And when he went out the second day, hinei, two anashim Ivrim were fighting; he said to him in the wrong, Why strike thou thy re'a?
- ¹⁴ And he said, Who made thee a sar and a shofet over us? Intendest thou to kill me, as thou killedst the Egyptian? And Moshe feared, and thought, Surely this thing is known.
- ¹⁵ Now when Pharaoh heard this thing, he sought to slay Moshe. But Moshe fled from the face of Pharaoh, and dwelt in Eretz Midyan; and he sat down by a well.
- ¹⁶ Now the kohen of Midyan had sheva banot; and they came and drew mayim, and filled the troughs to water the tzon of their av.
- ¹⁷ And the ro'im *(shepherds)* came and drove them away; but Moshe stood up and rescued them, and watered their tzon.
- ¹⁸ And when they came to Reuel their av, he said, How is it that ye are come so soon today?

- ¹⁹ And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the yad of the ro'im (*shepherds*), and also drew enough for us, and watered the tzon.
- ²⁰ And he said unto his banot, And where is he? Why is it that ye have left the ish? Call him, that he may eat lechem.
- ²¹ And Moshe was content to dwell with the ish; and he gave Moshe Tzipporah his bat.
- ²² And she bore him a ben, and he called shmo Gershom; for he said, I have been a ger in a foreign land.
- ²³ And it came to pass in process of time, that Melech Mitzrayim died; and the Bnei Yisroel groaned by reason of haAvodah (*the Bondage*), and they cried out, and their cry came up unto HaElohim by reason of haAvodah.
- ²⁴ And Elohim heard their groaning, and Elohim remembered His brit *(covenant)* with Avraham, with Yitzchak, and with Ya'akov.
- ²⁵ And Elohim looked upon the Bnei Yisroel, and Elohim had da'as of them.

- ¹ Now Moshe was ro'eh (*shepherding*) the tzon of Yitro his khoten (*father-in-law*), the kohen Midyan; and he led the tzon to the backside of the midbar, and came to the Har HaElohim, even to Chorev.
- ² And the Malach HASHEM appeared unto him in a flame of eish out of the midst of a bush; and he looked, and, hinei, the bush burned with eish, and the bush was not consumed.

- ³ And Moshe thought, I will now turn aside, and see this mareh hagadol, why the bush is not burned up.
- ⁴ And when HASHEM saw that he turned aside to see, Elohim called out unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moshe, Moshe. And he said, Hineni.
- ⁵ And He said, Draw not nearer here; put off thy na'alayim (sandals) from off thy raglayim, for hamakom whereon thou standest is admat kodesh.
- ⁶ Moreover He said, I am Elohei Avicha, Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yitzchak, and Elohei Ya'akov. And Moshe hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon HaElohim.
- ⁷ And HASHEM said, I have surely seen the oni ami (affliction of My people) which are in Mitzrayim, and have heard their cry by reason of their nogesim (taskmasters); for I know their makhovim (sufferings);
- ⁸ And I am come down to deliver them out of the yad Mitzrayim, and to bring them up out of that land unto an eretz tovah, a spacious eretz zavat cholov udevash; unto the place of the Kena'ani, and the Chitti, and the Emori, and the Perizzi, and the Chivi, and the Yevusi.
- ⁹ Now therefore, hinei, the cry of the Bnei Yisroel is come unto Me; and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.
- ¹⁰Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth My people the Bnei Yisroel out of Mitzrayim.
- ¹¹ And Moshe said unto HaElohim, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should

bring forth the Bnei Yisroel out of Mitzrayim?

- ¹² And He said, Certainly Eh-heh-yeh (*I will be*)
 * with thee; and this shall be haOt (*the Sign*)
 unto thee, that I have sent thee: when thou hast
 brought forth HaAm out of Mitzrayim, ye shall
 serve HaElohim upon this Har.
- ¹³ And Moshe said unto HaElohim, Hinei, when I come unto the Bnei Yisroel, and shall say unto them, Elohei Avoteichem hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is Shmo? what shall I say unto them?
- ¹⁴ And Elohim said unto Moshe, Eh-heh-yeh ashair Eh-heh-yeh (*IAM WHO IAM*); and He said, Thus shalt thou say unto the Bnei Yisroel, EH-HEH-YEH (*IAM*) hath sent me unto you.
- 15 And Elohim said moreover unto Moshe, Thus shalt thou say unto Bnei Yisroel: HASHEM, Elohei Avoteichem, Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yitzchak, and Elohei Ya'akov, hath sent me unto you: this is Shemi l'olam, and this is My remembrance unto all generations.
- 16 Go, and gather the Ziknei Yisroel together, and say unto them, HASHEM Elohei Avoteichem, Elohei Avraham, Yitzchak, and Ya'akov, appeared unto me, saying, I have surely visited/inspected you, and seen that which is done to you in Mitzrayim;
- ¹⁷ And I have said, I will bring you up out of the Oni Mitzrayim unto the eretz Kena'ani, and the Chitti, and the Emori, and the Perizzi, and the Chivi, and the Yevusi unto eretz zavat cholov udevash.

^{*} **3:12** See Ex 3:14 below

- ¹⁸ And they shall pay heed to thy voice; and thou shalt go, thou and the Ziknei Yisroel, unto Melech Mitzrayim, and ye shall say unto him, HASHEM Elohei HaIvriyim hath met with us; and let us go, now, derech shloshet yamim into the midbar, that we may sacrifice to HASHEM Eloheinu.
- ¹⁹ And I have da'as that Melech Mitzrayim will not let you go, no, except by a yad chazakah.
- ²⁰ And I will stretch out My yad, and strike Mitzrayim with all My nifle'ot which I will do in the midst thereof; and after that he will let you go.
- ²¹ And I will give this people chen in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty-handed.
- ²² But every isha shall borrow of her neighbor, and of her that sojourneth in her bais, jewels of kesef, and jewels of zahav, and clothing; and ye shall put them upon your banim, and upon your banot; so ye shall plunder the Egyptians.

- ¹ And Moshe answered and said, But, what if they will not believe me, nor pay heed unto my voice but will say, HASHEM hath not appeared unto thee.
- ² And HASHEM said unto him, What is that in thine yad? And he said, A matteh (*a rod*, *staff*).
- ³ And He said, Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground, and it became a nachash; and Moshe fled from before it.
- ⁴ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Put forth thine yad, and take it by the tail. And he put forth his

- yad, and caught it, and it became a matteh in his yad;
- ⁵ That they may believe that HASHEM Elohei Avotam, Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yitzchak, and Elohei Ya'akov, hath appeared unto thee.
- ⁶ And HASHEM said furthermore unto him, Put now thine yad into thy kheyk. And he put his yad into his kheyk; and when he took it out, hinei, his yad was leprous as snow.
- ⁷ And He said, Put thine yad into thy kheyk again. And he put his yad into his kheyk again; and plucked it out of his kheyk, and, hinei, it was turned again as his other basar.
- ⁸ And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe thee, neither pay heed to the voice of haOt Harishon, that they will believe the voice of haOt haAcharon.
- ⁹ And it shall come to pass, if they will not believe also these two otot, neither pay heed unto thy voice, that thou shalt take of the mayim of the Nile, and pour it upon the yabashah (*dry land*); and the mayim which thou takest out of the Nile shall become dahm upon the yabashah.
- ¹⁰ And Moshe said unto HASHEM, O Adonoi, I am not an ish devarim, neither heretofore, nor since Thou hast spoken unto Thy eved; but I am slow of speech, and of a slow lashon.
- ¹¹ And HASHEM said unto him, Who hath made man's peh *(mouth)*? Or who maketh dumb, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, HASHEM?
- ¹² Now therefore go, and Eh-heh-yeh (*I will be*) with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say.

- ¹³ And he said, O Adonoi, send, now, by the yad of him whom Thou wilt send.
- ¹⁴ And the Af HASHEM was kindled against Moshe, and He said, Is there not Aharon thy ach the Levi? I know that he can speak well. And also, hinei, he cometh forth to meet thee; and when he seeth thee, he will be glad in his lev.
- ¹⁵ And thou shalt speak unto him, and put words in his mouth; and Eh-heh-yeh (*I will be*) with thy mouth, and with his mouth, and will teach you what ye shall do.
- ¹⁶ And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people; and he shall be, even he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of Elohim.
- ¹⁷ And thou shalt take this matteh in thine yad, wherewith thou shalt do haOtot.
- ¹⁸ And Moshe went and returned to Yitro his khoten (father-in-law), and said unto him, Let me go, now, and return unto my achim which are in Mitzrayim, and see whether they be yet alive. And Yitro said to Moshe, Lech l'shalom (go in peace).
- ¹⁹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe in Midyan, Go, shuv *(return)* into Mitzrayim; for all the anashim are dead which sought thy life.
- ²⁰ And Moshe took his isha and his banim, and set them upon a donkey, and he returned to Eretz Mitzrayim; and matteh HaElohim in his yad.
- ²¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, When thou goest to return into Mitzrayim, see that thou do all those mofetim before Pharaoh, which I have put in thine yad: but I will harden his lev, that he shall not let HaAm go.

- ²² And thou shalt say unto Pharaoh, Thus saith HASHEM, Yisroel is beni (*My son*), even My bechor (*first-born*):
- ²³ And I say unto thee, Let beni (*My son*) go, that he may serve Me: and if thou refuse to let him go, hinei, I will slay thy ben, even thy bechor.

 24 And it came to pass on the derech at the malon, that Hashem met him, and sought to kill

him.

- ²⁵ Then Tzipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the orlat ben *(foreskin of son)* of her, and cast it at his feet, and said, Surely a choson damim *(a bridegroom of blood)* art thou to me.
- ²⁶ So He let him go; then she said, A choson damim thou art, because of the circumcision.*
- ²⁷ And HASHEM said to Aharon, Go into the midbar to meet Moshe. And he went, and met him in the Har HaElohim, and kissed him.
- ²⁸ And Moshe told Aharon kol divrei HASHEM who had sent him, and all haOtot He had commanded him.

²⁹ And Moshe and Aharon went and assembled

together kol Ziknei Bnei Yisroel;

- ³⁰ And Aharon spoke all hadevarim which HASHEM had spoken unto Moshe; and he did haOtot before the eyes of HaAm.
- ³¹ And HaAm believed; and when they heard that HASHEM had visited the Bnei Yisroel, and that He had looked upon their oni, then they bowed their heads and worshiped.

¹ And afterward Moshe and Aharon went in,

^{*} **4:26** i.e. [bris] milah

- and told Pharaoh, Thus saith HASHEM Elohei Yisroel, Let My people go, that they may hold a chag *(feast)* unto Me in the midbar.
- ² And Pharaoh said, Who is HASHEM, that I should obey His voice to let Yisroel go? I know not HASHEM, neither will I let Yisroel go.
- ³ And they said, Elohei HaIvrim hath met with us; let us go, now, derech shloshet yamim into the midbar, and sacrifice unto HASHEM Eloheinu; lest He fall upon us with dever (cattle disease), or with the cherev.
- ⁴ And Melech Mitzrayim said unto them, Why do ye, Moshe and Aharon, disturb the people from their works? Get you back unto your own sevalot (burdens).
- ⁵ And Pharaoh said, Hinei, the Am HaAretz now are many, and ye make them rest from their sevalot.
- ⁶ And Pharaoh commanded the same day the nogesim of the people, and their foremen, saying,
- ⁷ Ye shall no more give HaAm straw to make brick, as heretofore; let them go and gather straw for themselves.
- ⁸ And the matkonet (quota) of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof; for they are idle; therefore they cry out, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to Eloheinu.
- ⁹ Let there more avodah be laid upon the anashim, that they may labor therein; and let them not regard divrei sheker.
- ¹⁰ And the nogesim of HaAm went out, and their foremen; they spoke to HaAm, saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

- ¹¹ Go ye, get you straw where ye can find it; yet not ought of your avodah shall be diminished.
- ¹² So HaAm were scattered abroad throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim to gather stubble instead of straw.

¹³ And the nogesim pressed them, saying, Fulfil your ma'asim, your daily tasks, as when there was

straw.

- ¹⁴ And the foremen of the Bnei Yisroel, which Pharaoh's nogesim had set over them, were beaten, and were asked, Why have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both yesterday and today, as heretofore?
- ¹⁵ Then the foremen of the Bnei Yisroel came and cried unto Pharaoh, saying, Why dealest thou thus with thy avadim?
- ¹⁶ There is no straw given unto thy avadim, and they say to us, Make brick. And, hinei, thy avadim are beaten; but the fault is in thine own people.
- ¹⁷ But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go and do sacrifice to НАSHEM.
- ¹⁸ Go therefore now, and work; for there shall no straw be given you, yet shall ye deliver the tokhen (full measure) of bricks.
- ¹⁹ And the foremen of the Bnei Yisroel did see that they were in rah *(trouble)*, after it was said, Ye shall not reduce ought from your bricks of your daily task.
- ²⁰ And they went to meet Moshe and Aharon, who stood waiting to meet them, as they came forth from Pharaoh:
- ²¹ And they said unto them, HASHEM look upon you, and judge; because ye have made us stench to be abhorred in the eyes of Pharaoh, and in the

eyes of his avadim, to put a cherev in their yad to slay us.

²² And Moshe returned unto HASHEM, and said, Adonoi, why hast Thou brought evil upon this people? why is it that Thou hast sent me?

23 For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Thy Shem, he hath done evil to this people; neither

hast Thou delivered Thy people at all.*

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¹Then HASHEM said unto Moshe, Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh; for through a yad chazakah shall he let them go, and with a yad chazakah shall he drive them out of his land.

[VAEIRA]

^{5:23} Genesis offers the promise of land and life but ends with nearly everyone being swept into a tomb (see Gn 49:29-33), with the body of Yosef going back to that tomb in a 400 year long trek (Gn 50:24-26; Ex 13:19). But a victory over, and a defeat of, that tomb will occur when "the 70" (Ex 1:5) burst forth from the tomb of Egypt in a great exodus of "600,000". This death and resurrection of Yisroel was possible because of midwives who didn't believe in abortion (1:17), who did believe instead in the G-d of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as the G-d of the living. This awesome G-d commissions Moses while he is a shepherd in Midian on Mt. Sinai (Chorev) to deliver His people with the Matteh HaElohim (the Rod of G-d) performing signs and wonders (this word "wonder," mofet in Ex 7:3, we will see again in a key Messianic passage in Zech 3:8 which references Zech 6:11-12 where the Moshiach's personal name is revealed). The G-d of Israel reveals to Moses His personal covenant Name, that He is the G-d who always is (Ex 3:14), the eternally self-existent true G-d. This one true G-d is the author of salvation (Ex 6:1-8).

- ² And Elohim spoke unto Moshe, and said unto him, I am HASHEM;
- ³ And I appeared unto Avraham, unto Yitzchak, and unto Ya'akov, as El Shaddai, but by My Shem HASHEM I did not make Myself known to them.
- ⁴ And I have also established My brit (covenant) with them, to give them Eretz Kena'an, the land of their sojourning, wherein they sojourned.
- ⁵ And I have also heard the groaning of the Bnei Yisroel, whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have remembered My brit (covenant).
- ⁶ Therefore say unto the Bnei Yisroel, I am HASHEM, and I will bring you out from under the sivlot Mitzrayim, and I will free you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out zero'a, and with mishpatim gedolim:
- ⁷ And I will take you to Me for a people, and I will be to you Elohim; and ye shall know that I am HASHEM Eloheichem, which bringeth you out from under the sivlot Mitzrayim.
- ⁸ And I will bring you in unto HaAretz, concerning the which I did lift up My hand to swear to give it to Avraham, to Yitzchak, and to Ya'akov; and I will give it to you for a morashah (heritage); I am HASHEM.
- ⁹ And Moshe spoke so unto the Bnei Yisroel; but they did not listen unto Moshe because of their kotzer ruach (shortness of spirit, broken spirit), and for avodah kesheh (cruel bondage).
 - ¹⁰ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ¹¹ Go in, speak unto Pharaoh Melech Mitzrayim, that he let the Bnei Yisroel go out of his land.

- ¹² And Moshe spoke before HASHEM, saying, See, the Bnei Yisroel have not paid heed unto me; how then shall Pharaoh hear me, who am of oral sefatayim (uncircumcised lips, stumbling speech, sealed lips)?
- ¹³ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe and unto Aharon, and gave them a charge unto the Bnei Yisroel, and unto Pharaoh Melech Mitzrayim, to bring the Bnei Yisroel out of Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ¹⁴ These are the Rashei Bais Avotam: The Bnei Reuven the bechor Yisroel; Chanokh, and Pallu, Chetzron, and Carmi: these are the mishpokhot of Reuven.
- ¹⁵ And the Bnei Shim'on; Yemuel, and Yamin, and Ohad, and Yachin, and Tzochar, and Sha'ul ben of HaKena'anit: these are the mishpokhot of Shim'on.
- ¹⁶ And these are the shemot Bnei Levi according to their toldot; Gershon, and Kohat, and Merari: and the years of the life of Levi were a hundred thirty and seven shanah.
- ¹⁷ The Bnei Gershon; Livni, and Shime'i, according to their mishpokhot.
- ¹⁸ And the Bnei Kohat; Amram, and Yitzhar, and Chevron, and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kehat were a hundred thirty and three shanah.
- ¹⁹ And the Bnei Merari; Machli and Mushi: these are the mishpokhot of Levi according to their toledot.
- ²⁰ And Amram took him Yocheved his father's sister to wife; and she bore him Aharon and Moshe: and the years of the life of Amram were a hundred and thirty and seven shanah.

- ²¹ And the Bnei Yitzhar; Korach, Nepheg, and Zichri.
- ²² And the Bnei Uzziel; Mishael, Eltzaphan, and Sitri.
- ²³ And Aharon took him Elisheva, bat Amminadav, achot Nachshon, to wife; and she bore him Nadav, and Avihu, El'azar and Itamar.
- ²⁴ And the Bnei Korach; Assir, and Elkanah, and Aviasaph: these are the mishpokhot of the Korchi.
- ²⁵ And El'azar ben Aharon took him one of the banot Putiel to wife; and she bore him Pinchas: these are the Rashei Avot HaLevi'im according to their mishpokhot.
- ²⁶ These are that Aharon and Moshe, to whom HASHEM said, Bring out the Bnei Yisroel from Eretz Mitzrayim according to their tzve'os.
- ²⁷ These are they which spoke to Pharaoh Melech Mitzrayim, to bring out the Bnei Yisroel from Mitzrayim: these are that Moshe and Aharon.
- ²⁸ And it came to pass on the day when HASHEM spoke unto Moshe in Eretz Mitzrayim,
- ²⁹ That HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying, I am HASHEM: speak thou unto Pharaoh Melech Mitzrayim all that I say unto thee.
- ³⁰ And Moshe said before HASHEM, See, I am of oral sefatayim, and why should Pharaoh pay heed unto me.

¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, See, I have made thee as Elohim to Pharaoh: and Aharon thy brother shall be thy navi.

² Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aharon thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the Bnei Yisroel out of his land.

³ And I will harden the lev Pharaoh, and multiply My Otot and My Mofetim in Eretz Mitzrayim.

- ⁴ But Pharaoh shall not pay heed unto you, that I may lay My yad upon Mitzrayim, and bring forth Mine tzve'os, and My people the Bnei Yisroel, out of Eretz Mitzrayim by shefatim gedolim (great judgments).
- ⁵ And the Egyptians shall know that I am HASHEM, when I stretch forth My yad upon Mitzrayim, bringing out Bnei Yisroel from among them.
- ⁶ And Moshe and Aharon did as HASHEM commanded them, so did they.
- ⁷ And Moshe was fourscore years old, and Aharon fourscore three years, when they spoke unto Pharaoh.
- ⁸ And Hashem spoke unto Moshe and Aharon, saying,
- ⁹ When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Show a mofet (miracle) for you: then thou shalt say unto Aharon, Take thy matteh, and cast it before Pharaoh, and it shall become a serpent.
- ¹⁰ And Moshe and Aharon went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as HASHEM had commanded: and Aharon cast down his matteh before Pharaoh, and his avadim, and it became a serpent.
- ¹¹ Then Pharaoh also called the chachamim and the mechashefim: now the charetumei Mitzrayim, they also did in like manner with their secret lore.

- ¹² For they cast down every man his matteh, and they became serpents: but the matteh Aharon swallowed up their mattot.
- ¹³ And He hardened lev Pharaoh, that he paid heed not unto them; as HASHEM had said.
- ¹⁴ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, the lev Pharaoh is hardened, he refuseth to let the people go.
- ¹⁵ Get thee unto Pharaoh in the boker; hinei, he goeth out unto the mayim; and thou shalt stand by the bank of the Nile to meet him; and the matteh which was turned to a nachash shalt thou take in thine yad.
- ¹⁶ And thou shalt say unto him, HASHEM Elohei HaIvrim hath sent me unto thee, saying, Let My people go, that they may serve Me in the midbar: and, hinei, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.
- ¹⁷ Thus saith HASHEM, In this thou shalt know that I am HASHEM: hinei, I will strike with the matteh that is in Mine yad upon the mayim which are in the Nile, and they shall be turned to dahm.
- ¹⁸ And the dag *(fish)* that is in the Nile shall die, and the Nile shall stink; and the Egyptians shall loathe to drink of the mayim of the Nile.
- ¹⁹ And Hashem spoke unto Moshe, Say unto Aharon, Take thy matteh, and stretch out thine yad upon the mayim of Mitzrayim, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their mikveh of mayim, that they may become dahm; and that there may be dahm throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone.

²⁰ And Moshe and Aharon did so, as HASHEM commanded; and he lifted up the matteh, and smote the waters that were in the Nile, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his avadim; and all the mayim that were in the Nile were turned to dahm.

²¹ And the dag *(fish)* that was in the Nile died; and the Nile stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the mayim of the Nile; and there was

dahm throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim.

²² And the charetumei Mitzrayim did so with their secret lore: and lev Pharaoh was hardened, neither did he pay heed unto them; as HASHEM had said.

²³ And Pharaoh turned and went into his bais,

neither did he set his mind to this also.

²⁴ And all the Egyptians dug around the Nile for mayim to drink; they could not drink of the mayim of the Nile.

²⁵ And seven days came and went, after HASHEM

had struck the Nile.

- ²⁶ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, Go unto Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith HASHEM, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.
- ²⁷ And if thou refuse to let them go, hinei, I will strike all thy borders with tzefardaya:
- ²⁸ And the river shall bring forth tzefardaya abundantly, which shall go up and come into thine bais, and into thy cheder mishkav, and upon thy bed, and into the bais of thy avadim, and upon thy people, and into thine ovens, and into thy kneading bowls:
- ²⁹ And the tzefardaya shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people, and upon all thy

avadim.

- ¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, Say unto Aharon, Stretch forth thine yad with thy matteh over the streams, over the rivers, and ponds, and cause tzefardaya to come up upon Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ² And Aharon stretched out his yad over the waters of Mitzrayim; and the tzefardaya came up, and covered Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ³ And the chartumim did so with their secret lore, and brought up tzefardaya upon Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ⁴ Then Pharaoh called for Moshe and Aharon, and said, Entreat Hashem, that He may take away the tzefardaya from me, and from My people; and I will let HaAm go, that they may do sacrifice unto Hashem.
- ⁵ And Moshe said unto Pharaoh, Please thyself over me: when shall I entreat for thee, and for thy avadim, and for thy people, to destroy the tzefardaya from thee and thy batim (houses), that they may remain in the Nile only?
- ⁶ And he said, Tomorrow. And he said, Be it according to thy word: that thou mayest know that there is none like unto HASHEM Eloheinu.
- ⁷ And the tzefardaya shall depart from thee, from thy batim, from thy avadim, and from thy people; they shall remain in the Nile only.
- ⁸ And Moshe and Aharon went out from Pharaoh: and Moshe cried unto HASHEM because of the tzefardaya which He had brought against Pharaoh.

- ⁹ And HASHEM did according to the word of Moshe; and the tzefardaya died out of the batim *(houses)*, out of the khatzerot, and out of the sadot.
- ¹⁰ And they gathered them together upon heaps; and the land stank.
- ¹¹ But when Pharaoh saw that there was respite, he hardened his lev, and paid heed not unto them; as НАSHEM had said.
- ¹² And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Say unto Aharon, Stretch out thy matteh, and smite the aphar ha'aretz, that it may become kinim throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ¹³ And they did so; for Aharon stretched out his yad with his matteh, and smote the aphar ha'aretz, and it became kinim in adam, and in behemah; all the aphar ha'aretz became kinim throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ¹⁴ And the chartumim did so with their secret lore to bring forth kinim, but they could not: so there were kinim upon adam, and upon behemah.
- ¹⁵ Then the chartumim said unto Pharaoh, This is the Etzba Elohim *(Finger of G-d)*: and the lev Pharaoh was hardened, and he paid heed not unto them; as HASHEM had said.
- ¹⁶ And Hashem said unto Moshe, Rise up early in the boker, and stand before Pharaoh; hinei, he cometh forth to the mayim; and say unto him, Thus saith Hashem, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.
- ¹⁷ Else, if thou wilt not let My people go, hineni, I will send swarms of arov upon thee, and upon thy avadim, and upon thy people, and into thy batim *(houses)*; and the batim *(houses)* of the

Egyptians shall be full of swarms of arov, and also the ground whereon they are.

- ¹⁸ And I will deal differently in that day with Eretz Goshen, in which My people dwell, that no swarms of arov shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am HASHEM in the midst of the earth.
- ¹⁹ And I will put a distinction between My people and thy people; tomorrow shall this Ot be.
- ²⁰ And HASHEM did so; there came a grievous swarm of arov into the bais Pharaoh, into batim of his avadim, into kol Eretz Mitzrayim; the land was corrupted from the swarm of arov.
- ²¹ And Pharaoh called for Moshe, for Aharon, and said, Go ye, sacrifice to Eloheichem in the land.
- ²² And Moshe said, It is not meet so to do; for we shall sacrifice the to'avot Egyptians to HASHEM Eloheinu; lo, shall we sacrifice the to'avot Egyptians before their eyes, and will they not stone us?
- ²³ We will go derech shloshet yamim into the midbar, and sacrifice to HASHEM Eloheinu, as He shall command us.
- ²⁴ And Pharaoh said, I will let you go, that ye may sacrifice to HASHEM Eloheichem in the midbar; only ye shall not go very far away; entreat for me.
- ²⁵ And Moshe said, Hinei, I go out from thee, and I will entreat HASHEM that the swarms of arov may depart from Pharaoh, from his avadim, and from his people, tomorrow; but let not Pharaoh deal deceitfully anymore in not letting the people go to sacrifice to HASHEM.

²⁶ And Moshe went out from Pharaoh, and entreated HASHEM.

- ²⁷ And HASHEM did according to the devar Moshe; and He removed the swarms of arov from Pharaoh, from his avadim, from his people; there remained not one.
- ²⁸ And Pharaoh hardened his lev at this time also, neither would he let the people go.

- ¹ Then Hashem said unto Moshe, Go in unto Pharaoh, tell him, Thus saith Hashem Elohei Halvrim, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.
- ² For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt hold them still.
- ³ Hinei, the Yad HASHEM is upon thy mikneh (*livestock*) which is in the sadeh, upon the susim, upon the donkeys, upon the camels, upon the herd, and upon the tzon; there shall be a very grievous dever.
- ⁴ And HASHEM shall separate between the mikneh Yisroel and the mikneh Mitzrayim; and there shall nothing die of all that belongs to the Bnei Yisroel.
- ⁵ And HASHEM appointed a mo'ed, saying, Tomorrow HASHEM shall do this thing in the land.
- ⁶ And HASHEM did that thing on the next day, and all the mikneh of Mitzrayim died; but of the mikneh of the Bnei Yisroel died not one.
- ⁷ And Pharaoh sent, and, hinei, there was not one of the mikneh Yisroel dead. And the lev Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let HaAm go.
- ⁸ And HASHEM said unto Moshe and unto Aharon, Take to you handfuls of piach of the fur-

- nace, and let Moshe sprinkle it toward Shomayim in the sight of Pharaoh.
- ⁹ And it shall become fine dust in kol Eretz Mitzrayim, and shall be a sh'khin (boil) breaking forth with festers upon adam, and upon behemah, throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ¹⁰ And they took piach of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moshe sprinkled it up toward Shomayim; and it became a sh'khin breaking forth with festers upon adam, and upon behemah.
- ¹¹ And the charetumim could not stand before Moshe because of the sh'khin; for the sh'khin was upon the charetumim, and upon kol Mitzrayim.
- ¹² And Hashem hardened the lev Pharaoh, and he paid heed not unto them; as Hashem had spoken unto Moshe.
- ¹³ And Hashem said unto Moshe, Rise up early in the boker, and stand before Pharaoh, and say unto him, Thus saith Hashem Elohei HaIvrim, Let My people go, that they may serve Me.
- ¹⁴ For I will at this time send all My maggefot upon thine lev, and upon thy avadim, and upon thy people; that thou mayest have da'as that there is none like Me in kol ha'aretz.
- ¹⁵ For now I will stretch out My Yad, that I may strike thee and thy people with dever; and thou shalt be cut off from ha'aretz.
- ¹⁶ In fact for this cause have I raised thee up, for to show in thee My ko'ach; and that My Shem may be declared throughout kol ha'aretz.
- ¹⁷ Thou still are exalting thyself against My people, that thou wilt not let them go.

- ¹⁸ Hinei, tomorrow about this time I will cause it to rain very grievous barad (hail), such as hath not been in Mitzrayim since the foundation thereof even until now.
- ¹⁹ Send therefore now, and gather thy mikneh, and all that thou hast in the sadeh; for upon every adam *(man)* and behemah *(beast)* which shall be found in the sadeh, and shall not be brought into shelter, the barad shall come down upon them, and they shall die.
- ²⁰ He that feared the Devar HASHEM among the avadim of Pharaoh made his avadim and his mikneh flee into the shelters;
- ²¹ And he that took not to heart the Devar HASHEM left his avadim and his mikneh in the sadeh.
- ²² And Hashem said unto Moshe, Stretch forth thine yad toward Shomayim, that there may be barad in kol Eretz Mitzrayim, upon adam, and upon behemah, and upon kol esev hasadeh, throughout Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ²³ And Moshe stretched forth his matteh toward Shomayim; and HASHEM sent thunder and barad, and the eish flashed down upon the ground; and HASHEM rained barad upon Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ²⁴ So there was barad, and eish mingled with the barad, very grievous, such as there was none like it in kol Eretz Mitzrayim since it became a nation.
- ²⁵ And the barad struck throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim all that was in the sadeh, both adam and behemah; the barad struck kol esev hasadeh, and beat down kol etz of the sadeh.

²⁶ Only in Eretz Goshen, where the Bnei Yisroel were, was there no barad.

- ²⁷ And Pharaoh sent, and called for Moshe and Aharon, and said unto them, chatati (*I have sinned*) this time: HASHEM HaTzaddik (*is righteous*), and I and my people are haresha'im (wicked, guilty, wrong).
- ²⁸ Entreat HASHEM for it is enough, that there be no more Elohim thunderings and barad; and I will let you go, and ye shall stay no longer.
- ²⁹ And Moshe said unto him, As soon as I am gone out of the Ir, I will spread out my palms* unto HASHEM; and the thunder shall cease, neither shall there be any more barad; that thou mayest have da'as that ha'aretz is HASHEM's.

30 But as for thee and thy avadim, I know that ye

will not yet fear HASHEM Elohim.

- ³¹ And the flax and the barley was struck; for the barley was ripe, and the flax was in bud.
- ³² But the wheat and the spelt were not struck; for they were not yet come up.
- ³³ And Moshe went out of the Ir from Pharaoh, and spread out his palms† unto HASHEM; and the thunders and barad ceased, and the rain was not poured upon ha'aretz.
- ³⁴ And when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the barad and the thunders were ceased, he sinned yet more, and hardened his lev, he and his avadim.
- ³⁵ And the lev Pharaoh was hardened, neither would he let the Bnei Yisroel go; as HASHEM had spoken by Moshe.

^{*} **9:29** davening † **9:33** davening

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- ¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Go in unto Pharaoh; for I have hardened his lev, and the lev of his avadim, that I might show these My otot before him;
- ² And that thou mayest tell in the ears of thy ben, and of thy ben's ben, what things I have wrought in Mitzrayim, and My otot which I have done among them; that ye may have da'as that I am HASHEM.
- ³ And Moshe and Aharon came in unto Pharaoh, and said unto him, Thus saith HASHEM Elohei HaIvrim, How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before Me? Let My people go, that they may serve Me.
- ⁴ Else, if thou refuse to let My people go, hineni, tomorrow will I bring the arbeh into thy border;
- ⁵ And they shall cover the face of ha'aretz, that one cannot be able to see ha'aretz; and they shall devour the remnant of that which is escaped, which remaineth unto you from the barad, and shall eat kol haetz which groweth for you out of the sadeh;
- ⁶ And they shall fill thy batim (houses), and the batim (houses) of all thy avadim, and the batim (houses) of kol Mitzrayim; which neither thy avot, nor the avot of thy avot have seen, since the day that they were upon ha'aretz unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.
- ⁷ And Pharaoh's avadim said unto him, How long shall this man be a mokesh (*snare*) unto us? Let the anashim go, that they may serve HASHEM

Eloheihem; knowest thou not yet that Mitzrayim is destroyed?

- ⁸ And Moshe and Aharon were brought again unto Pharaoh; and he said unto them, Go, serve HASHEM Eloheichem; but who are they that shall go?
- ⁹ And Moshe said, We will go with ne'areinu and with zekeineinu, with baneinu and with benoteinu, with tzoneinu and with bekareinu (our herds) will we go; for Chag HASHEM lanu.
- ¹⁰ And he said unto them, HASHEM will indeed be with you, if ever I let you go, and your little ones; look to it, evil [intent] is before you.
- ¹¹ Not so; go now ye that are gevarim, and serve HASHEM; for that ye did request. And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.
- 12 And Hashem said unto Moshe, Stretch out thine yad over Eretz Mitzrayim for the arbeh, that they may come up upon Eretz Mitzrayim, and devour kol esev ha'aretz, even all that the barad hath left as remnant.
- ¹³ And Moshe stretched forth his matteh over Eretz Mitzrayim, and HASHEM brought a ruach kadim upon the land all that yom, and all that lailah; and when it was boker, the ruach hakadim brought the arbeh.
- ¹⁴ And the arbeh went up over kol Eretz Mitzrayim, and rested on the entire border of Mitzrayim: very grievous were they; before them there were no such arbeh as they, neither after them shall be such.
- ¹⁵ For they covered the kol ha'aretz, so that the land was darkened; and they did eat kol esev ha'aretz, and kol p'ri haetz which the barad had

left as remnant; and there remained not any yerek baetz, or in the esev hasadeh, through kol Eretz Mitzravim.

- ¹⁶Then Pharaoh called for Moshe and Aharon in haste; and he said, chatati (I have sinned) against HASHEM Eloheichem, and against you.
- ¹⁷ Therefore forgive, now, my sin only this once, and entreat HASHEM Eloheichem, that He would only take away from me this mavet.

18 And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated

HASHEM.

- ¹⁹ And Hashem turned a west ruach chazak me'od, which took away the arbeh, and cast them into the Yam Suf: there remained not one arbeh in all the borders of Mitzrayim.
- ²⁰ But Hashem hardened lev Pharaoh, so that he would not let the Bnei Yisroel go.
- ²¹ And Hashem said unto Moshe, Stretch out thine yad toward Shomayim, that there may be choshech over Eretz Mitzrayim, even choshech which he can feel.

²² And Moshe stretched forth his yad toward Shomayim; and there was a thick choshech in kol

Eretz Mitzrayim shloshet yamim;

- ²³ They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for shloshet yamim; but kol Bnei Yisroel had Ohr in their dwellings.
- ²⁴ And Pharaoh called unto Moshe, and said, Go ye, serve HASHEM; only let your tzon and your herds remain behind; let your little ones also go with vou.
- ²⁵ And Moshe said, Thou must give us also zevakhim and olot, that we may sacrifice unto HASHEM Eloheinu.

- ²⁶ Also mikneinu shall go with us; there shall not a hoof be left behind; for thereof must we take to serve Hashem Eloheinu; and we know not with what we must serve Hashem, until we come to there.
- ²⁷ But HASHEM hardened lev Pharaoh, and he would not let them go.
- ²⁸ And Pharaoh said unto him, Get thee from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die.
- ²⁹ And Moshe said, Thou hast spoken well, I will see thy face again no more.

- ¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Yet will I bring one nega (plague; see Isa 53:8 regarding Moshiach) more upon Pharaoh, and upon Mitzrayim; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let you go, he shall surely drive you out hence altogether.
- ² Speak now in the ears of HaAm, let every ish request of his neighbor, every isha of her neighbor, articles of kesef and articles of zahav.
- ³ And HASHEM gave the people chen in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the ish Moshe was gadol me'od in Eretz Mitzrayim, in the sight of Pharaoh's avadim, and in the sight of the people.
- ⁴ And Moshe said, Thus saith HASHEM, About khatzot halailah *(midnight)* will I go out into the midst of Mitzrayim;
- ⁵ And all the bechor in Eretz Mitzrayim shall die, from the bechor Pharaoh that sitteth upon

his kisse, even unto the bechor hashifchah that is behind the millstone; and all the bechor behemah.

- ⁶ And there shall be a great cry throughout kol Eretz Mitzrayim, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.
- ⁷ But against any of the Bnei Yisroel shall not a kelev move his leshon, against ish or behemah; that ye may have da'as that HASHEM doth differentiate between Mitzrayim and Yisroel.
- ⁸ And all these thy avadim shall come down unto me, and bow down themselves unto me, saying, Get thee out, and kol HaAm that follow thee; and after that I will go out. And he went out from Pharaoh in a great anger.
- ⁹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Pharaoh shall not pay heed unto you; that My mofetim may be multiplied in Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ¹⁰ And Moshe and Aharon did all these mofetim before Pharaoh; and HASHEM hardened lev Pharaoh, so that he would not let the Bnei Yisroel go out of his land.

- ¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe and Aharon in Eretz Mitzrayim saying,
- ² Hachodesh hazeh *(this month)* shall be unto you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you.
- ³ Speak ye unto kol Adat Yisroel, saying, In the tenth day of this month they shall take to them every man a seh (*lamb*),* according to the bais avot, a seh for each bais;

^{* 12:3} See Isa 53:7

- ⁴ And if the household be too small for the seh (lamb),† let him and his neighbor next unto his bais take according to the number of the nefashot; every ish according to what he eats shall make up your count for the seh.
- ⁵Your seh (*lamb*) ‡ shall be tamim (*without blemish*), a zachar (*male*) within its first year; ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats;
- ⁶ And it will be with you for mishmeret (examination, checking for blemishes) up until the fourteenth day of the same month; and kol Kehal Adat Yisroel shall slaughter (shachat) it in the afternoon [before dark].
- ⁷ And they shall take of the dahm, and strike it upon the two mezuzot (*doorposts*) and on the mashkof (*lintel*) of the batim (*houses*), wherein they shall eat it.
- ⁸ And they shall eat the basar in that night, roasted over eish, and matzot; and with maror they shall eat it.§
- ⁹ Eat not of it raw, nor soaked or boiled in mayim, but roasted over eish; this includes its rosh with its legs, and with the inner parts thereof.
- ¹⁰ And ye shall let nothing of it remain until the boker; and that which remaineth of it until the boker ye shall burn with eish.
- ¹¹ And thus shall ye eat it; with your robe girded up,* your sandals on your feet, and your walking staff in your yad; and ye shall eat it with urgent haste; it is HASHEM'S Pesach.

[†] **12:4** See Isa 53:7 ‡ **12:5** See Isa 53:7 **§ 12:8** See Yn 6:53-54 where Moshiach alludes to this verse and Isa 53:7. * **12:11** i.e., pulled up and tucked in under the belt, for travel

- ¹² For I will pass through Eretz Mitzrayim balailah hazeh, and will strike fatally kol bechor Eretz Mitzrayim, both adam and behemah; and against all the elohei Mitzrayim I will execute judgment; I am HASHEM.
- ¹³ And the dahm shall be for you, an ot (sign) upon the batim (houses) where ye are; and when I see the dahm, oofasachti (then I will pass over, skip, spare) you [plural], and the negef (plague, blow, striking, i.e., death of firstborn) shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I strike fatally with a blow against Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ¹⁴ And hayom hazeh shall be unto you for zikaron (remembrance, remembering); and ye shall keep it a Chag (Feast) to HASHEM throughout your generations; ye shall keep it a Chag (Feast) by a chukkat olam.
- ¹⁵ Shivat yamim shall ye eat matzot; but the first day ye shall put away se'or (yeast, leaven) out of your batim (houses); for whosoever eateth chametz from the first day until the seventh day, that nefesh shall be cut off from Yisroel.
- ¹⁶ And in the yom harishon there shall be a mikra kodesh, and in the yom hashevi'i there shall be a mikra kodesh to you; no manner of melachah shall be done in them, except that which every nefesh must eat,† that only may be done of you.
- ¹⁷ And ye shall be shomer to safeguard the matzot; for on this very day I brought your tzva'os out of Eretz Mitzrayim; therefore shall ye be shomer over this day in your generations by a chukkat

[†] **12:16** i.e., activity necessary for the preparation of food

olam.

¹⁸ In the first month, on the fourteenth day of the month at erev, ye shall eat matzot, until the one and twentieth day of the month at erev.

- ¹⁹ Shivat yamim shall there be no se'or (yeast, leaven) found in your batim (houses); whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that nefesh shall be cut off from Adat Yisroel, whether he be a ger, or native born in ha'aretz.
- ²⁰ Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwelling-places shall ye eat matzot.
- ²¹ Then Moshe called for all the Ziknei Yisroel, and said unto them, Draw out as separate and take for yourselves a lamb according to your mishpokhot, and slaughter (*shachat*) the Pesach.‡
- ²² And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the dahm that is in the basin, and strike the mashkof (*lintel*) and the two mezuzot (*door sideposts*) with the dahm that is in the basin; and none of you shall go out the door of his bais until boker.
- ²³ For Hashem will pass through to strike the Mitzrayim; and when He seeth the dahm upon the mashkof, and on the two mezuzot, Hashem will pasach (pass over, spare, skip) the entrance, and will not permit the Mashkhit (Destroyer),§ to enter unto your batim to strike.
- ²⁴ And ye shall be shomer over this word as a chok *(ordinance)* to thee and your children ad olam *(forever)*.

[‡] **12:21** offering, i.e., Pesach lamb (see Isa 53:7) **§ 12:23** i.e., HASHEM's emissary of judgment, see Num 22:31 on the Malach HASHEM

- ²⁵ And it shall come to pass, when ye come to ha'aretz which HASHEM will give to you, according as He hath promised, that ye shall be shomer over this avodah.
- ²⁶ And it shall come to pass, when your banim shall say unto you, Mah haavodah hazot lachem (What is this avodah to you)?
- ²⁷ That ye shall say, It is the zevach of HASHEM's Pesach, who pasach (passed over, skipped, spared) the batim (households) of the Bnei Yisroel in Mitzrayim, when He struck down the Egyptians, and spared bateinu (our houses). And the people bowed down and worshiped.
- ²⁸ And the Bnei Yisroel went away, and did as HASHEM had commanded Moshe and Aharon, so did they.
- ²⁹ And it came to pass, that at midnight HASHEM struck down kol bechor in Eretz Mitzrayim, from the bechor of Pharaoh sitting on his throne unto the bechor of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the bechor behemah.
- ³⁰ And Pharaoh rose up in the lailah, he, and all his avadim, and kol Mitzrayim; and there was a tze'akah gedolah (*great wail*) in Mitzrayim; for there was not a bais where there was not one dead.
- ³¹ And he called for Moshe and Aharon by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth, leave from among my people, both ye and the Bnei Yisroel; and go, serve HASHEM, as ye have said.
- ³² Also take your tzon and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also.
 - 33 And the Egyptians were urgent upon the peo-

ple, that they might send them out of ha'aretz in haste; for they said, Kullanu mesim (We are all dead ones).

³⁴ And the people took their batzek (*deaf dough*, *having no indication of fermentation*) * before it was leavened, their kneading pans being wrapped up in their clothes [and carried] upon their shoulders.

³⁵ And the Bnei Yisroel did according to the devar Moshe; they requested of the Egyptians k'lei

kesef, and k'lei zahav, and garments;

³⁶ And HASHEM gave the people favor in the sight of the Mitzrayim, so that they granted their request. So they plundered the Egyptians.

³⁷ And the Bnei Yisroel journeyed from Ra'meses towards Sukkot, about 600,000 gevarim

on foot, not counting women and children.

³⁸ And an erev rav (mixed multitude, a mixed company that was large) went along also with them; and tzon, and herds, even very many do-

mestic animals.

- ³⁹ And they baked the batzek (*deaf dough*) which they brought forth out of Mitzrayim, into round flat cakes of matzot; ki lo chametz, because they were thrust out of Mitzrayim, and could not tarry (*linger*), neither had they prepared for tzeidah (*supply of food, provision*).
- ⁴⁰ Now the moshav (time period of residence) of the Bnei Yisroel dwelling in Mitzrayim was four hundred and thirty shanah.
- ⁴¹ And it came to pass at the ketz *(end)* of the four hundred and thirty shanah, even the exact

^{*} **12:34** See 1C 5:7

day it came to pass, that kol Tzivos HASHEM went out from Eretz Mitzrayim.

- ⁴² It is a night of shimmurim (keepings, watchings, vigils) for HASHEM to keep watch to bring them out from Eretz Mitzrayim; this is halailah hazeh unto HASHEM; shimmurim (watchings, vigils) for kol Bnei Yisroel in their dorot.
- ⁴³ And Hashem said unto Moshe and Aharon, This is the Chukkat HaPesach: there shall no ben nekhar eat thereof;
- ⁴⁴ But every man's eved that is bought for kesef, when thou hast given him bris milah, then shall he eat thereof.
 - ⁴⁵ A toshav and a sachir shall not eat thereof.
- ⁴⁶ In bais echad shall it be eaten; thou shalt not carry forth any of the basar outside the bais; neither shall ye break a bone thereof.[†]
 - ⁴⁷ Kol Adat Yisroel shall celebrate it.
- ⁴⁸ And when a ger shall sojourn with thee, and will keep the Pesach unto HASHEM, let all his zachar receive bris milah, and then let him come near and keep it; and he shall be as one that is native born in ha'aretz; for no arel (uncircumcised person) shall eat thereof.
- ⁴⁹ Torah echad shall be to him that is nativeborn, and unto the ger that sojourneth among you.
- ⁵⁰ Thus did kol Bnei Yisroel; as HASHEM commanded Moshe and Aharon, so did they.
- ⁵¹ And it came to pass the very same day, that HASHEM did bring the Bnei Yisroel out of Eretz Mitzrayim by their tzvaos.

[†] **12:46** See Yn 19:36

- ¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ² Set apart as kodesh unto Me kol bechor, whatsoever openeth the rechem *(womb)* among the Bnei Yisroel, both of adam and of behemah; it is Mine.
- ³ And Moshe said unto HaAm, Remember this day, in which ye came out from Mitzrayim, out of the bais avadim; for by chozek yad HASHEM brought you out from this place; there shall no chametz be eaten.
 - ⁴ This day came ye out in the month Aviv.
- ⁵ And it shall be when HASHEM shall bring thee into the land of the Kena'ani, and the Chitti, and the Emori, and the Chivi, and the Yevusi, which He swore unto thy Avot to give thee, an eretz flowing with cholov and devash, that thou shalt observe this avodah (*service*) in this month.
- ⁶ Shivat yamim thou shalt eat matzot, and in the seventh day shall be a Chag (*Feast*) to HASHEM.
- ⁷ Matzot shall be eaten shivat hayamim; and there shall no chametz be seen with thee, neither shall there be se'or seen with thee within all thy borders.
- ⁸ And thou shalt show thy ben in that day, saying, This is because of what HASHEM did for me when I came forth out of Mitzrayim.
- ⁹ And it shall be for an ot (sign) unto thee upon thine yad, and for a zikaron (reminder) between thine eyes, in order that the torat HASHEM may be in thy mouth; because with a yad chazakah hath HASHEM brought thee out of Mitzrayim.
 - ¹⁰ Thou shalt therefore be shomer over this

chukkah in its mo'ed (season, fixed time) perpetually.

- 11 And it shall be when HASHEM shall bring thee into the land of the Kena'ani, as He swore unto thee and to thy avot, and shall give it thee,
- ¹² That thou shalt set apart unto HASHEM all that openeth the rechem *(womb)*, and every firstling that is born of a behemah which thou hast; hazecharim *(the males)* shall be HASHEM's.
- ¹³ And every firstling of a he-donkey thou shalt redeem with a seh; and if thou wilt not redeem it, then thou shalt break its neck; and kol bechor adam among thy banim shalt thou redeem.
- ¹⁴ And it shall be when thy ben asketh thee in time to come, saying, Mah zot? (What is this?) that thou shalt say unto him, By chozek yad HASHEM brought us out from Mitzrayim, from the bais avadim;
- ¹⁵ And it came to pass, when Pharaoh stubbornly refused to let us go, that HASHEM killed kol bechor of Eretz Mitzrayim, both the bechor adam, and the bechor behemah; therefore Ani zovei'ach laHashem(I sacrifice to Hashem) kol that openeth the rechem (womb), being hazecharim (the males); but kol bechor of my banim I redeem.
- ¹⁶ And it shall be for an ot (sign) upon thine hand, and for totafos (ornaments, frontlets, bands, phylactery) between thine eyes; for by chozek yad HASHEM brought us forth out of Mitzrayim.

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¹⁷ And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that Elohim led them not through the derech of the eretz of the Pelishtim (*Philistines*),

- although that was near; for Elohim said, Lest perhaps the people change their mind when they see milchamah, and they return to Mitzrayim;
- ¹⁸ So Elohim led HaAm about, through the derech of the midbar of the Yam Suf; and the Bnei Yisroel went up out of Eretz Mitzrayim ready for battle.
- ¹⁹ And Moshe took the atzmot Yosef with him; for Yosef had made the Bnei Yisroel swear unconditionally, saying, Elohim will surely visit you; and ye shall carry up my atzmot away from here with you.
- ²⁰ And they took their journey from Sukkot, and encamped in Etam, at the edge of the midbar.
- ²¹ And HASHEM went before them by day in an ammud anan, to guide them haderech; and by lailah in an ammud eish, to give them ohr; so they could travel yomam valailah (*day or night*);
- ²² He took not away the ammud heanan by day, nor the ammud haeish by night, from before HaAm.

- ¹ Then HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ² Speak unto the Bnei Yisroel, that they turn back and encamp before Pi-Hachirot, between Migdol and the yam, in front of Ba'al-Tzephon; opposite it shall ye encamp by the yam.
- ³ For Pharaoh will think of the Bnei Yisroel, They are entangled in the land,* the midbar hath shut them in.†

^{* 14:3} wandering in confusion † 14:3 from making their exodus

- ⁴ And I will harden lev Pharaoh, that he shall pursue after them; and I will be glorified over Pharaoh, and upon all his army; so that the Egyptians may have da'as that I am HASHEM. And they did accordingly.
- ⁵ And it was told the melech Mitzrayim that HaAm had fled; and the lev Pharaoh and of his avadim was turned against HaAm, and they said, Why have we done this, that we have let Yisroel go from slaving for us?
- ⁶ And he made ready his merkavah, and took his army with him;
- ⁷ And he took six hundred select chariots, and all the chariots of Mitzrayim, and commanders over every one of them.
- ⁸ And Hashem hardened the lev Pharaoh Melech Mitzrayim, so that he pursued after the Bnei Yisroel; and the Bnei Yisroel went out with a high hand.‡
- ⁹ But the Mitzrayim pursued after them, all the susim and chariots of Pharaoh, and his parash, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the yam, by Pi-Hachirot, in front of Ba'al-Tzephon.
- ¹⁰ And when Pharaoh drew near, the Bnei Yisroel lifted up their eyes, and, hinei, the Egyptians marched after them; and they were very terrified; and the Bnei Yisroel cried out unto HASHEM.
- ¹¹ And they said unto Moshe, Because there were no kevarim in Mitzrayim, hast thou taken us away to die in the midbar? What hast thou done to us, in bringing us forth out of Mitzrayim?

^{‡ 14:8} deliberately with assurance

¹² Is not this the very thing that we did tell thee in Mitzrayim, saying, Let us alone, that we may slave for the Egyptians? For it had been better for us to slave for the Egyptians, than that we should die in the midbar.

13 And Moshe said unto HaAm, Fear ye not, stand still, and see the Yeshu'at HASHEM, which He will bring to you today; for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more

ad olam.

¹⁴ HASHEM shall fight for you, and ye shall keep still.

15 And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Why criest thou unto Me? Speak unto the Bnei Yisroel, so that

they move on;

- ¹⁶ But lift thou up thy staff, and stretch out thine yad over the yam, and divide it; and the Bnei Yisroel shall go on yabashah (*dry land*) § through the midst of the yam.
- ¹⁷ And I, hineni, I will harden the lev Mitzrayim, and they shall go after them; and I will get Me glory over Pharaoh, and over all his army, over his chariots, and upon his parash (horsemen).
- ¹⁸ And the Egyptians shall know that I am HASHEM, when I have gotten Me glory over Pharaoh, over his chariots, and over his parash.
- ¹⁹ And the Malach HaElohim, which goes in front of the Machaneh Yisroel, moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from before their face, and stood behind them;
- ²⁰ And it came between the machaneh Mitzrayim and the Machaneh Yisroel; there was

^{§ 14:16} See Gn 1:9

the anan bringing choshech to the Egyptians, but bringing light by night to Yisroel; so that none came near the other, kol halailah.

- ²¹ Then Moshe stretched out his yad over the yam; and HASHEM caused the yam to go back by a strong east wind all that night, so that the yam was made dry land, and the mayim were divided.
- ²² And the Bnei Yisroel then went into the middle of the yam upon the yabashah (*dry land*); and the mayim were a chomah (*wall*) unto them on their right, and on their left.
- ²³ And the Egyptians pursued, and went in after them into the middle of the yam, even kol sus Pharaoh, his chariots, and his parash.
- ²⁴ So it came to pass, that when came the watch of the boker, HASHEM looked down on the machaneh Mitzrayim through the ammud eish (*pillar of fire*) and of the anan, and caused confusion over the machaneh Mitzrayim,
- ²⁵ And turned awry their chariot wheels, that they drove them with difficulty; so that the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the presence of Yisroel; because HASHEM fighteth for them against the Egyptians.
- ²⁶ And Hashem said unto Moshe, Stretch out thine yad over the yam, that the mayim may come again upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their parash.
- ²⁷ And Moshe stretched forth his yad over the yam, and the yam rushed back to its place as dawn of the boker appeared; and the Egyptians tried to flee away from meeting it; but HASHEM swept the Egyptians into the middle of the yam.

²⁸ And the mayim rushed back, and covered the chariots, and the parashim, and all the army of Pharaoh that came into the yam after them; there remained as survivors not so much as one of them.

²⁹ But the Bnei Yisroel walked upon yabashah through the yam; and the mayim were a chomah

unto them on their right, and on their left.

³⁰ Thus HASHEM saved Yisroel yom hahu out of the hand of Mitzrayim; and Yisroel saw the Egyptians dead upon the seashore.

31 And Yisroel saw the yad hagedolah which HASHEM did upon the Egyptians; and HaAm feared HASHEM, and put their trust in HASHEM, and in His eyed Moshe.

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¹ Then sang Moshe and the Bnei Yisroel this shirah (*song*) to HASHEM, and spoke, saying,

I will sing unto HASHEM, for He hath triumphed gloriously: the sus and its rider hath He cast into the yam.

- ² HASHEM is my oz and zimrah (song of praise), and He is become to me Yeshu'ah (salvation); He is Eli (my G-d), and I will praise Him; Elohei Avi, and I will exalt Him.
- ³ HASHEM is an Ish Milchamah; HASHEM shmo.

⁴ Markevot Pharaoh and his army

hath He cast into the yam; his select commanders also are drowned in Yam Suf. ⁵ The tehomot (*depths*) have covered them; they sank into the bottom like an even (*stone*).

⁶ Thy right hand, HASHEM, is become glorious in ko'ach; Thy right hand, HASHEM, hath dashed into pieces the oyev. ⁷ And in the greatness of Thine majesty Thou hast overthrown them that rose up against Thee: Thou sentest forth Thy charon (wrath), which consumed them as stubble. ⁸ And with the blast of Thy nostrils the mayim were gathered together, the floods stood upright like a stack. and the tehomot were congealed in the lev yam (heart of the sea). ⁹ The oyev said, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will share the plunder: my battle-lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my cherev, my yad shall take possession of ¹⁰ Thou didst blow with Thy ruach, the yam covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters.

¹¹ Mi chamochah ba'elim, Adonoi

(Who is like unto Thee, HASHEM, among the elim)?*
Who is like Thee,
glorious in kodesh (holiness),
awesome in praiseworthy acts,
doing wonders?

¹² Thou didst stretch out Thy right hand, eretz swallowed them.

¹³ Thou in Thy chesed hast led forth

the people which Thou hast redeemed (acquired back);

Thou hast guided them in Thy oz

unto Thy neveh† kodesh (holy habitation).

¹⁴ The nations shall hear, and be afraid;

anguish shall take hold on the inhabitants of Peleshet (*Philistia*).

15 Then the chief men of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moav, trembling shall take hold upon them;

all the inhabitants of Kena'an shall melt away with weakness.

Terror and pachad shall fall upon them; by the greatness of Thine zero'a they shall be struck dumb as an even (stone); till Thy people pass by, HASHEM, till the people pass by, which Thou hast purchased.

¹⁷ Thou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the har of Thine nachalah, in the place, HASHEM, which Thou hast made for Thee to dwell in, in the Mikdash, Adonoi,

^{* 15:11} g-ds † 15:13 a neveh is the abode of a shepherd

which Thy hands have established.

- ¹⁸ HASHEM shall reign l'olam va'ed.
- ¹⁹ For the sus Pharaoh went in with his chariots and with his parash into the yam, and HASHEM brought again the waters of the yam upon them; but the Bnei Yisroel went on yabashah (*dry land*) in the middle of the yam.
- ²⁰ And Miryam the neviah, the achot Aharon, took the tof *(hand drum)* in her yad; and all the nashim went out after her with hand-drums and with dancing.
 - ²¹ And Miryam sang to them,

Sing ye to HASHEM, for He hath triumphed gloriously; the sus and its rider hath He thrown into the yam.

- ²² So Moshe brought Yisroel from the Yam Suf, and they went out into the midbar of Shur; and they went shloshet yamim in the midbar, and found no mayim.
- ²³ And when they came to Marah (*Bitter Place*), they could not drink of the mayim from Marah, for they were marim; therefore the shem of it was called Marah.

²⁴ So the people murmured against Moshe, saying, Mah nishteh (what shall we drink)?

²⁵ And he cried unto HASHEM; and HASHEM showed him an etz (*tree*) which when he had cast

into the mayim, the waters were made sweet;‡ at that place He made for them a chok (statute, requirement, obligation) and a mishpat (divine judgment), and there He tested them,

²⁶ And said, If thou wilt diligently pay heed to the voice of HASHEM Eloheicha, and will do that which is yashar in His sight, and will give ear to do His mitzvot, and be shomer over all His chok, I will put none of these machalah (diseases) upon thee, which I put upon the Egyptians; for Ani Adonoi rofecha (I am HASHEM that healeth thee).§

²⁷ And they came to Elim *(Great Trees)*. There were twelve springs of mayim, and threescore and ten date-palm trees; and they encamped there

by the mayim.

- ¹ And they took their journey from Elim, and kol Adat Bnei Yisroel came unto the midbar of Sin (pronounced "Seen"), which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their departing out of Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ² And kol Adat Bnei Yisroel murmured against Moshe and Aharon in the midbar;
- ³ And the Bnei Yisroel said unto them, If only Gd would have made us die by the yad HASHEM in Eretz Mitzrayim, when we sat by the sir habasar (pot of meat), and when we did eat lechem to the full; for ye have brought us forth into this midbar, to kill this kol hakahal with ra'av (hunger).
- ⁴ Then said HASHEM unto Moshe, Hineni, I will rain lechem from Shomayim upon you; and

[‡] **15:25** i.e., potable, fit for drinking **§ 15:26** 2Kgs 15:5; Am 4:10

HaAm shall go out and gather a certain daily provision, that I may test them, whether they will walk in My torah, or no.

- ⁵ And it shall come to pass, that on the yom hashishi (*sixth day*) they shall prepare that which they bring in; and it shall be twice as much as they gather daily.
- ⁶ And Moshe and Aharon said unto kol Bnei Yisroel, At erev, then ye shall know that HASHEM hath brought you out from Eretz Mitzrayim;
- ⁷ And in the boker, then ye shall see the kevod HASHEM; because He heareth your telunnot (murmurings, grumblings) against HASHEM; and who are we, that ye murmur against us?
- ⁸ And Moshe said, This shall be, when HASHEM shall give you basar in the erev to eat, and in the boker lechem to the full; because HASHEM heareth your telunnot which ye murmur against Him; and who are we? Your telunnot are not against us, but against HASHEM.
- ⁹ And Moshe spoke unto Aharon, Say unto kol Adat Bnei Yisroel, Come near before HASHEM; for He hath heard your telunnot.
- ¹⁰ And it came to pass, as Aharon spoke unto kol Adat Bnei Yisroel, that they looked toward the midbar, and, hinei, the kevod HASHEM appeared in the anan.
 - ¹¹ And Hashem spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ¹² I have heard the telunnot Bnei Yisroel; speak unto them, saying, At twilight ye shall eat basar, and in the boker ye shall be glutted with lechem; and ye shall know* that I am HASHEM Eloheichem.

^{*} **16:12** by experience

¹³ And it came to pass, that at erev the quails came up, and covered the machaneh; and in the boker there was a layer of tal *(dew)* about the machaneh.

¹⁴ And when the layer of tal evaporated, hinei, upon the surface of the midbar there lay thin flakes, as thin as a layer of kfor *(frost)* upon

ha'aretz.

- ¹⁵ And when the Bnei Yisroel saw it, they said one to another, Mahn hu (What is it?) For they knew not mah hu (what [is] this). And Moshe said unto them, This is the lechem which НАЅНЕМ hath given you to eat.
- ¹⁶ This is the thing which HASHEM hath commanded, Gather of it every man according to his eating [need], an omer per person, according to the number of your nefashot; take ye every man for them which are in his ohel.
- ¹⁷ And the Bnei Yisroel did so, and gathered, some more, some less.
- ¹⁸ And when they did measure it by the omer, he that gathered much had nothing extra, and he that gathered little had no lack; they gathered every man according to his eating [need].
- ¹⁹ And Moshe said, Let no ish leave of it until boker.
- ²⁰ Notwithstanding, they paid heed not unto Moshe; but some left part of it until boker, and [the leftovers] bred tola'im (worms), and stank; and Moshe was angry with them.
- ²¹ And they gathered it every boker, every man according to his eating [need]; and when the shemesh grew hot, it melted.

- ²² And it came to pass, that on yom hashishi they gathered twice as much lechem, two omers for one man; and all the nesi'im of the Edah came and told Moshe.
- ²³ And he said unto them, This is that which HASHEM hath said, Tomorrow is a Shabbaton (day of rest), Shabbos Kodesh unto HASHEM; bake that which ye will bake today, and boil that ye will boil; and that which remaineth over lay up for you for mishmeret (for keeping) until boker.
- ²⁴ And they laid it up, saving it until boker, as Moshe commanded; and it did not stink, neither was there any infestation therein.
- ²⁵ And Moshe said, Eat that today; for today is a Shabbos unto HASHEM; today ye shall not find it in the sadeh.
- ²⁶ Sheshet yamim ye shall gather it; but on the yom hashevi'i, which is Shabbos, in it there shall be none.
- ²⁷ And it came to pass, that there went out some from HaAm on the yom hashevi'i to gather, and they found none.
- ²⁸ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, How long refuse ye to be shomer over My mitzvot and My torot?
- ²⁹ See, that HASHEM hath given you the Shabbos, therefore He giveth you on yom hashishi lechem for two days; abide ye every man in his place, let no man go out from his place on yom hashevi'i.
 - ³⁰ So HaAm rested on yom hashevi'i.
- ³¹ And Bais Yisroel called the shem thereof Manna; and it was like coriander seed, lavan (*white*); and the taste of it was like flat cakes fried in devash.

- ³² And Moshe said, This is the thing which HASHEM commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be mishmeret *(kept)* for your dorot; that they may see the lechem wherewith I have fed you in the midbar, when I brought you forth from Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ³³ And Moshe said unto Aharon, Take a jar, and put an omer full of manna therein, and lay it up before HASHEM, to be kept for your dorot.
- ³⁴ As HASHEM commanded Moshe, so Aharon laid it up before the Edut (the [Ark] of the Testimony), for mishmeret (to be kept).
- ³⁵ And the Bnei Yisroel did eat manna arba'im shanah, until they came to an eretz noshavet (an inhabited land); they did eat manna, until they came unto the borders of Eretz Kena'an.

³⁶ Now an omer† is the tenth part of an ephah.‡

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¹ And kol Adat Bnei Yisroel journeyed from the midbar of Sin, setting out, according to the commandment of HASHEM, and encamped in Rephidim; and there was no mayim for HaAm to drink.

² Wherefore the people did chide (quarrel, become dissatisfied with) Moshe, and said, Give us mayim that we may drink. And Moshe said unto them, Why chide ye with me? Why do ye put HASHEM to the test?

³ And HaAm thirsted there for mayim; and the people murmured against Moshe, and said, Why is this that thou hast brought us up out

[†] **16:36** i.e., two quarts dry measure ‡ **16:36** T.N. an ephah is about one-half bushel

- of Mitzrayim, to kill me and my banim and my livestock with tzama (thirst)?
- ⁴ And Moshe cried unto HASHEM, saying, What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.
- ⁵ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Go on ahead of HaAm, and take with thee Ziknei Yisroel; and thy matteh (*staff*) wherewith thou struck the Nile, take in thine yad, and go.
- ⁶ Hineni, I will stand before thee there upon the tzur in Chorev; thou shalt strike the tzur, and there shall come mayim out of it, that HaAm may drink. Moshe did so in the sight of the Ziknei Yisroel.
- ⁷ And he called the shem of the place Massah (*Testing*), and Merivah (*Dissatisfaction*), because of the riv (*chiding*, *quarreling*) of the Bnei Yisroel, and because they put HASHEM to the test, saying, Is HASHEM among us, or not?
- ⁸ Then came Amalek, and did battle against Yisroel in Rephidim.
- ⁹ And Moshe said unto Yehoshua, Choose for us anashim, and go out, do battle with Amalek; tomorrow I will station myself on the top of the hill with the matteh HaElohim in mine yad.
- ¹⁰ So Yehoshua did as Moshe had said to him, and did battle with Amalek; and Moshe, Aharon, and Chur went up to the top of the hill.
- ¹¹ And it came to pass, as long as Moshe held up his yad, that Yisroel prevailed; and when he let down his yad, Amalek prevailed.
- ¹² When the hands of Moshe grew heavy, they took an even *(stone)*, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aharon and Chur supported

his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands held emunah (steady) until bo hashemesh (sunset).

- ¹³ And Yehoshua disabled Amalek and his army with the edge of the cherev.
- ¹⁴ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Write this for a zikaron (memorial, remembering) in a sefer, and rehearse it in the ears of Yehoshua; for I will utterly efface the memory of Amalek from under Shomayim.
- ¹⁵ And Moshe built a Mizbe'ach, and called the shem of it HASHEM Nissi (HASHEM is my Standard);*
- ¹⁶ For he said, Because a yad has been against the kes HASHEM(throne of HASHEM), HASHEM hath milchamah against Amalek from dor to dor.

18

[YITRO]

- ¹ When Yitro, the kohen of Midyan, Moshe's khoten (father-in-law), heard of all that Elohim had done for Moshe, and for Yisroel His people, and that HASHEM had brought Yisroel out of Mitzrayim;
- ² Then Yitro, Moshe's khoten, received Tzipporah, Moshe's wife, after Moshe had sent her away,
- ³ And her two banim; of which the shem of the one was Gershom; for he said, I have been a ger in a foreign land;
- ⁴ And the shem of the other was Eli'ezer; for the Elohei Avi, said he, was ezri *(my help)*, and delivered me from the cherev of Pharaoh;

^{* 17:15} rallying point

- ⁵ And Yitro, Moshe's khoten, came with his banim and his isha unto Moshe into the midbar, where he encamped at the Har HaElohim;
- ⁶ And he said unto Moshe, I thy khoten *(father-in-law)* Yitro am come unto thee, and thy isha, and her two banim with her.
- ⁷ And Moshe went out to meet his khoten, bowed low, and kissed him; and they asked each other of their shalom (*welfare*); and they came into the ohel.
- ⁸ And Moshe told his khoten all that HASHEM had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for the sake of Yisroel, and all the travail that had befallen them along the derech, and how HASHEM saved and delivered them.
- ⁹ And Yitro rejoiced for all the tovah which HASHEM had done for Yisroel, whom He had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.
- ¹⁰ And Yitro said, Baruch HASHEM, Who hath rescued you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, and Who hath delivered HaAm from under the hand of the Egyptians.
- ¹¹ Now I have da'as that HASHEM is gadol than kol haelohim; for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly He was above them.
- ¹² And Yitro, Moshe's khoten, brought an olah and zevakhim for Elohim; and Aharon came, and kol Ziknei Yisroel, to eat lechem with Moshe's khoten before HaElohim.
- ¹³ And it came to pass on next day, that Moshe sat to judge HaAm; and HaAm stood around Moshe from the boker unto erev.
- ¹⁴ And when Moshe's khoten saw all that he was doing for HaAm, he said, What is this thing

that thou doest to the people? Why sittest thou thyself alone, and kol HaAm stand around thee from boker unto erev?

¹⁵ And Moshe said unto his khoten, Because

HaAm come unto me to inquire of Elohim;

¹⁶When they have a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between one and another, and I do make them know the chukkei HaElohim, and His torot.

¹⁷ And Moshe's khoten said unto him, The thing

that thou doest is not tov.

- ¹⁸ Thou wilt surely wear out, both thou, and HaAm hazeh that is with thee; for this thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.
- ¹⁹ Shema (pay heed) now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and may Elohim be with thee; be thou for HaAm before HaElohim, that thou mayest bring the disputes unto HaElohim;

²⁰ And thou shalt teach them chukkim and torot, and shalt show them the derech wherein they must walk, and the ma'aseh that they must do.

- ²¹ Moreover thou shalt provide out of kol HaAm anshei chayil *(able men)*, yirei Elohim, anshei emes, hating bribes; and place such over them, to be over thousands, and over hundreds, over fifties, and over tens;
- ²² And let them judge HaAm at all times; and it shall be, that every davar hagadol they shall bring unto thee, but every davar hakaton they shall judge; so shall it be eased for thyself, and they shall bear the burden with thee.

²³ If thou shalt do this thing, and Elohim command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure,

and kol HaAm hazeh shall also go to their place in shalom.

²⁴ So Moshe paid heed to the voice of his khoten,

and did all that he had said.

- ²⁵ And Moshe chose anshei chayil out of kol Yisroel, and made them rashim over HaAm, over thousands, hundreds, fifties, and tens.
- ²⁶ And they judged HaAm at all times; the davar hakasheh (difficult case) they brought unto Moshe, but every devar hakaton they judged themselves.
- ²⁷ And Moshe let his khoten depart; and he went his way into his own land.

- ¹ In the chodesh hashelishi (third new moon), after the Bnei Yisroel had their exodus from Eretz Mitzrayim, on that very day they came into the Midbar Sinai.
- ² For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to Midbar Sinai, and had encamped in the midbar; and there Yisroel camped before HaHar.
- ³ And Moshe went up to HaElohim, and HASHEM called out unto him from HaHar, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the Bais Ya'akov, and declare unto the Bnei Yisroel;
- ⁴ You yourselves have seen what I did unto the Mitzrayim, and how I carried you on eagles' wings, and brought you unto Myself.
- ⁵ Now therefore, if ye will obey My voice very carefully, and be shomer over My brit, then ye shall be a segullah (*treasured possession*) unto Me above all people; for kol ha'aretz is Mine;

- ⁶ And ye shall be unto Me a mamlechet kohanim, and a goy kadosh. These are the words which thou shalt recount unto the Bnei Yisroel.
- ⁷ And Moshe came and summoned the Ziknei HaAm, and set authoritatively before their faces all these words just as HASHEM commanded him.
- ⁸ And kol HaAm answered together, and said, All that Hashem hath spoken we will do. And Moshe brought back the words of HaAm unto Hashem.
- ⁹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Hinei, I am coming unto thee in a thick cloud, that HaAm may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee l'olam. Then Moshe told the words of HaAm unto HASHEM.
- ¹⁰ So Hashem said unto Moshe, Go unto HaAm, and set them apart as kodesh today and tomorrow, and let them wash their clothing,
- ¹¹ And be ready by Yom HaShelishi; for Yom HaShelishi HASHEM will come down in the sight of kol HaAm upon Mt. Sinai.
- ¹² And thou shalt set boundaries unto HaAm all around, saying, Take heed to yourselves, that ye go not up into HaHar, or touch the edge of it; whosoever toucheth HaHar shall be surely put to death;
- ¹³ There shall no yad touch him, but he shall surely be stoned, or surely mortally shot; whether it be behemah or ish, it shall not live; when the yovel soundeth long, they shall come up to HaHar.
- ¹⁴ So Moshe came down from HaHar unto HaAm, and set apart as kodesh HaAm; and they washed their clothes.

¹⁵ Then he said to HaAm, Be ready by Sheloshet Yamim; come not into your isha.

¹⁶ And it came to pass on the Yom HaShelishi when the boker was breaking, that there were thunderings and lightnings, and a heavy cloud upon HaHar, and the blast of the shofar exceeding loud; so that kol HaAm that was in the machaneh trembled with terror.

¹⁷ And Moshe led HaAm forth out of the machaneh to encounter HaElohim; and they

stood at the foot of HaHar.

¹⁸ And Mt. Sinai was altogether smoking, because HASHEM descended upon it in eish; and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of the furnace, and kol HaHar shook violently.

- ¹⁹ And when the sound of the shofar was moving [closer], and grew louder and louder, Moshe spoke, and HaElohim answered him in thunder.
- ²⁰ And HASHEM came down upon Mt. Sinai, onto the top of HaHar; and HASHEM summoned Moshe up to the top of HaHar; and Moshe went up.
- ²¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Go down, warn HaAm, lest they push through toward HASHEM to gaze, and many of them fall perishing.
- ²² And let the kohanim also, which come near to HASHEM, set themselves apart as kodesh, lest HASHEM break forth upon them.
- ²³ And Moshe said unto HASHEM, HaAm cannot come up to Mt. Sinai; for You Yourself charged us, saying, Establish boundaries for HaHar, and set it apart as kodesh.
- ²⁴ And HASHEM said unto him, Away, get thee down, and thou shalt come up, thou, and Aharon with thee; but let not the kohanim and HaAm push through to come up unto HASHEM, lest He break forth upon them.

²⁵ So Moshe went down unto HaAm and told them.

- ¹ Then Elohim spoke all these words, saying,
- ² I am HASHEM Eloheicha, Who brought thee out of Eretz Mitzrayim, out of the bais avadim *(house of slaves)*.
- ³ Thou shalt have no elohim acherim in My presence.
- ⁴ Thou shalt not make unto thee any pesel, or any temunah of any thing that is in Shomayim above, or that is in ha'aretz beneath, or that is in the mayim under ha'aretz.
- ⁵Thou shalt not tishtacheveh to them, nor serve them; for I HASHEM Eloheicha am an El kanna, visiting the avon Avot upon the Banim unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me;
- ⁶ But showing chesed unto thousands of them that love Me, and are shomer over My mitzvot.
- ⁷ Thou shalt not take the Shem HASHEM Eloheicha in vain; for HASHEM will not hold him guiltless that taketh Shmo in vain.
 - ⁸ Remember Yom HaShabbos, to keep it kodesh.
- ⁹ Sheshet yamim shalt thou labor, and do all thy work:
- ¹⁰ But the Yom HaShevi'i is the Shabbos of HASHEM Eloheicha; in it thou shalt not do any melachah, thou, nor thy ben, nor thy bat, thy eved, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy ger that is within thy gates;
- ¹¹ For in sheshet yamim HASHEM made Shomayim and Ha'Aretz, the yam, and all that in them is, and rested Yom HaShevi'i; for this

reason Hashem blessed Yom Hashabbos, and set it apart as kodesh.

- ¹² Honor thy av and thy em; that thy yamim may be long upon ha'adamah which HASHEM Eloheicha giveth thee.
- 13 Thou shalt not murder. [14] Thou shalt not commit adultery. [15] Thou shalt not steal. [16] Thou shalt not bear ed sheker against thy neighbor.
- ¹⁴Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's bais, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's isha, nor his eved, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.
- ¹⁵ And kol HaAm saw the thunderings, and the lightnings, and the sound of the shofar, and HaHar smoking; and when HaAm saw it, they drew back, and stood afar off.
- ¹⁶ And they said unto Moshe, Thou speak with us, and we will hear; but let not Elohim speak with us, lest we die.*
- ¹⁷ And Moshe said unto HaAm, Fear not: for HaElohim is come to test you, and that His fear may be upon your faces, that ye sin not.
- ¹⁸ And HaAm stood afar off, while Moshe drew near unto the thick cloud where HaElohim was.
- ¹⁹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Thus thou shalt say unto the Bnei Yisroel, You yourselves have seen that from Shomayim I have spoken with you.
- ²⁰ Ye shall not make beside Me elohei kesef, neither shall ye make for yourselves elohei zahav.

^{*} **20:16** see Gn 42:23

- ²¹ Mizbe'ach adamah thou shalt make unto Me, and shalt sacrifice thereon thy olot, and thy shelamim, thy tzon, and thine oxen; in all places where I cause My Shem to be remembered, I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee.
- ²² And if thou wilt make Me a Mizbe'ach avanim, thou shalt not build it of cut stone; for if thou lift up thy tool upon it, thou hast rendered it polluted.
- ²³ Neither shalt thou go up by stairs unto Mine Mizbe'ach, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.

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[MISHPATIM]

- ¹ Now these are the mishpatim which thou shalt set before them.
- ² If thou acquire an eved Ivri, shesh shanim he shall serve; and in the seventh he shall go out lachafeshi (to the freedom) for no charge.
- ³ If he came in by himself, he shall go out by himself; if he were a ba'al isha, then his isha shall go out with him.
- ⁴ If his adon have given him an isha, and to him she gives birth to banim or banot; the isha and her yeledim shall be her adon's, and he shall go out [free] by himself.
- ⁵ And if the eved shall plainly say, I love adoni, my isha, and my banim; I will not go out lachafeshi (to the freedom);
- ⁶ Then his adon shall bring him unto HaElohim; he shall also bring him to the delet (*door*), or unto the mezuzah; and his adon shall pierce through

his ozen *(ear)* with a piercing-tool; then he shall serve him l'olam.

- ⁷ And if an ish sell his bat to be an amah *(maid-servant)*, she shall not go out as the avadim [go freel.
- ⁸ If she please not her adon, who hath betrothed her to himself, then shall he let her be redeemed [go free]; to sell her unto an am nochri (foreign people) he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her.
- ⁹ And if he have betrothed her unto his ben, he shall deal with her according to the mishpat habanot (rights of [free] daughters).*
- ¹⁰ If he take him another, her food, her covering of clothing, and her onah (conjugal rights) shall he not deprive.
- ¹¹ And if he does not perform these three unto her, then shall she go out free without kesef.
- ¹²He that strikes down an ish, so that the ish die, shall be surely put to death.
- ¹³ And if he lie not in ambush, but HaElohim deliver him into his yad, then I will appoint thee a makom† where he shall flee there.
- ¹⁴ But if an ish come premeditatedly upon his re'a, to murder him by guile; thou shalt take him from Mine Mizbe'ach for capital punishment.
- ¹⁵ And he that striketh down his av, or his em, shall be surely put to death.
- ¹⁶ And he that kidnaps an ish, and selleth him, or if he be found in his power, the kidnapper shall surely be put to death.

^{*} **21:9** i.e., those rights of Ex 21:10 † **21:13** i.e., city of refuge

- ¹⁷ And he that curseth his av, or his em, shall surely be put to death.
- ¹⁸ And if anashim quarrel, and one strike another with an even (*stone*), or with his egrof (*fist*), and he die not, but is bedfast;
- ¹⁹ If he rise again, and walk around outside upon his staff, then shall he that struck down him be absolved; only shivto yiten (he shall give for his lost time), and shall provide for him to be thoroughly healed.
- ²⁰ And if an ish strikes his eved, or his amah, with a shevet *(rod)*, and he die under his yad; he shall be surely avenged.
- ²¹ Notwithstanding, if he continue a yom or two, he shall not be avenged; for he is his kesef.
- ²² If men fight, and hurt an isha harah (*pregnant woman*), so that she gives birth prematurely but not with any injury; he shall be surely punished, according as the ba'al haisha will assess a fine upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine.
- ²³ And if any ason (harm, fatality) follow, then thou shalt take nefesh for nefesh.
- ²⁴ Ayin for ayin, shen for shen, yad for yad, regel for regel,
- ²⁵ Burn for burn, wound for wound, chaburah (*stripe laceration*) for chaburah.
- ²⁶ And if an ish strike the ayin of his eved, or the ayin of his amah, that it perish; he shall let him go free for his ayin's sake.
- ²⁷ And if he strike his eved's shen (tooth), or his amah's shen; he shall let him go free for his shen's sake.

- ²⁸ If an ox gore an ish or an isha, that they die; then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his basar shall not be eaten; but the ba'al hashor *(owner of the ox)* shall be exempt from punishment.
- ²⁹ But if the shor habitually from mitmol (yesterday) gored, and its ba'al has been warned, and he hath not kept it in the bull pen, and it hath killed an ish or an isha; the shor shall be stoned, and his ba'al also shall be put to death.
- ³⁰ If there be laid on him a kofer (atonement payment, ransom), then he shall give for the redemption of his nefesh whatsoever is assessed upon him.
- ³¹ Whether he have gored a ben, or have gored a bat, according to this mishpat shall it be done unto him.
- ³² If the ox shall gore an eved or an amah; he shall give unto their adon sheloshim shekalim kesef, and the ox shall be stoned.
- ³³ And if an ish shall open a bor *(pit)*, or if an ish shall dig a bor and not cover it, and an ox or a donkey fall therein;
- ³⁴ The ba'al habor shall make restitution, and give kesef unto their ba'alim; and the carcass shall be his.
- ³⁵ And if the shor ish (ox of a man) hurt the ox of a neighbor, that it die; then they shall sell the shor hachai (live ox), and divide the kesef of it; and the carcass also they shall divide.
- ³⁶ Or if it be known that the shor hath habitually from mitmol (yesterday) gored, and his ba'al hath not kept it in the bull pen; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the carcass shall belong to him.

³⁷ If a ganav takes a shor, or a seh, and slaughter it, or sell it; he shall restore five cattle for an ox, and the seh.

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¹ If a ganav be caught breaking in, and be struck down so that he die, there shall be no guilt of

bloodshed for him.

² If the shemesh be risen upon him, there shall be guilt of bloodshed; the ganav should make full restitution; if he have nothing, then the ganav shall be sold to make restitution for his theft.

³ If the theft be certainly found in his yad chayyim, whether it be ox, or donkey, or seh; he

shall pay back double.

- ⁴ If a man shall allow livestock to graze over a sadeh or kerem (*vineyard*), or he lets it loose and it graze over the sadeh of another, then from the best of his own sadeh, and of the best of his own kerem (*vineyard*), shall he make restitution.
- ⁵ If eish break out, and spreads in kotzim (thorns), so that the stacks of grain, or the standing grain, or the sadeh, be consumed therewith; he that kindled the eish shall surely make restitution.
- ⁶ If an ish shall give unto his re'a kesef or vessels to be shomer over, and it be stolen out of the bais haish; if the ganav be found, let him pay back double.

⁷ If the ganav be not found, then the ba'al habais shall be brought before HaElohim, to see whether he has put his yad on the property of his neighbor.

⁸ For all manner of pesha (trespass, liability), whether it be for ox, for donkey, for seh, for clothing, or for any manner of avedah (lost property,

- missing thing) which another says, This is it, the case of both shall come before HaElohim; and whom Elohim shall condemn, he shall pay back double unto his re'a.
- ⁹ If an ish deliver unto his re'a a donkey, or an ox, or a seh, or any behemah, to be shomer over; and it die, or be injured, or carried away, with no eye witness;
- ¹⁰ Then shall a shevuat HASHEM be between them both, that he hath not laid his yad on the property of his re'a; and the property's ba'al shall accept thereof, and he shall not make restitution.
 - ¹¹ And if it be certainly stolen from him, he shall

make restitution unto the ba'al thereof.

- ¹² If it be indeed tarof (torn by a wild animal, predator), then let him bring it for ed (witness), and he shall not make restitution for the terefah (torn animal).
- ¹³ And if an ish asks to borrow of his re'a, and the animal borrowed be injured, or die, the ba'al thereof being not with it, he shall surely make restitution.
- ¹⁴ But if the ba'al thereof be with it, he shall not make restitution; if it be sakhir *(rented, hired)*, it came for its hire.
- ¹⁵ And if an ish entice a betulah that is not orasah (betrothed, pledged), and lie with her, he shall surely endow her with a marriage contract as his isha.
- ¹⁶ If her av utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay kesef according to the mohar habetulot (marriage contract, dowry of the virgins).
- ¹⁷ Thou shalt not allow a mekhashefah (witch, sorceress) to live.

- ¹⁸ Kol shochev (every one having sexual relations) with a behemah shall surely be put to death.
- ¹⁹ He that sacrificeth unto elohim *(the g-ds)*, other than unto HASHEM only, he shall be destroyed.
- ²⁰ Thou shalt neither mistreat a ger, nor oppress him; for ye were gerim in Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ²¹ Ye shall not cause pain to any almanah, or yatom.
- ²² If thou cause them pain in any way, and they cry at all unto Me, I will surely hear their cry;
- ²³ And My wrath shall be kindled, and I will kill you with the cherev; and your nashim shall be almanot, and your banim shall be yetomim.
- ²⁴ If thou lend kesef to any of My people that is poor among thee, thou shalt not be to him as a nosheh (ausurer), neither shalt thou lay upon him neshekh (usury, interest).
- ²⁵ If thou at all take the cloak of thy re'a as security, thou shalt return it unto him by bo hashemesh (*sunset*);
- ²⁶ For that is his covering only, it is his cloak for his skin; wherein shall he sleep? And it shall come to pass, when he crieth unto Me, that I will hear; for I am channun (compassionate).
- ²⁷ Thou shalt not revile Elohim, nor curse the nasi of thy people.
- ²⁸ Thou shalt not delay to offer thy fullness offering* or thy kohen's heave offering;† the bechor of thy banim shalt thou present unto Me.

^{*} **22:28** i.e., bikkurim † **22:28** i.e. terumah

- ²⁹ Likewise shalt thou do with thine oxen, and with thy tzon; shivat yamim it shall be with its em; on the yom hashemi'ni thou shalt give it Me.
- ³⁰ And ye shall be anshei kodesh unto Me; neither shall ye eat any basar that is terefah (torn of beasts) in the sadeh; ye shall cast it to the kelev (dog).

- ¹ Thou shalt not spread a false report; put not thine hand with the rashah to be an ed chamas *(malicious witness)*.
- ² Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a riv (cause, lawsuit) to turn aside after many to pervert justice;
- ³ Neither shalt thou favor a poor man in his riv (cause, lawsuit).
- ⁴ If thou meet thine enemy's shor *(ox)* or his chamor *(donkey)* going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.
- ⁵ If thou see the chamor of him that hateth thee lying under his massa, and wouldest refrain from helping him, thou shalt surely help with him.
- ⁶ Thou shalt not pervert the mishpat of thy poor in his riv (*cause*, *lawsuit*).
- ⁷ Keep thee far from a devar sheker (false matter); and the naki (innocent) and tzaddik slay thou not; for I will not acquit the rashah.
- ⁸ And thou shalt take no shochad (*bribe*, *gift*); for the shochad blindeth the seeing, and perverteth the words of the tzaddikim.
- ⁹ Also thou shalt not oppress a ger; for ye know the nefesh of a ger, seeing ye were gerim in Eretz Mitzrayim.

- ¹⁰ And shesh shanim thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt gather in the crops thereof;
- ¹¹ But the shevi'it thou shalt leave it shamat (unplowed) and let it lie fallow; that the evyon (poor) of thy people may eat; and what they leave the beasts of the sadeh shall eat. In like manner thou shalt deal with thy kerem (vineyard), and with thy zayit (olive) grove.
- ¹² Sheshet yamim thou shalt do thy work, and on the yom hashevi'i thou shalt rest; that thine shor *(ox)* and thine chamor *(donkey)* may rest, and the ben of thy amah *(handmaid)*, and the ger, may be refreshed.
- ¹³ And in all things that I have said unto you be circumspect; and make no mention of the shem elohim acherim, neither let it be heard out of thy mouth.
- ¹⁴ Three times thou shalt keep a Chag unto Me in the shanah.
- ¹⁵Thou shalt be shomer to keep the Chag HaMatzot; thou shalt eat matzot shivah yamim, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Aviv; for in it thou camest out from Mitzrayim; and none shall appear before Me empty-handed;
- ¹⁶ And the Chag HaKatzir, Bikkurim (*Firstfruits*) * of thy labors, which thou hast sown in the sadeh; and the Chag HaAsif (*Feast of Ingathering*),† which is in the end of the shanah, when thou hast gathered in thy labors out of the sadeh.
- ¹⁷ Shalosh pe'amim in the shanah all thy zachar shall appear before HaAdon Hashem.

^{*} **23:16** See Ac 2 † **23:16** See Yn 7

- ¹⁸ Thou shalt not offer the dahm of My zevach with chametz; neither shall the chelev of My sacrifice remain until the boker.
- ¹⁹ The reshit bikkurim of thy land thou shalt bring into the Bais HASHEM Eloheicha.‡ Thou shalt not cook a kid in his mother's cholov.
- ²⁰ Hinei, I send Malach before thee, to be shomer over thee in the derech, and to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.
- ²¹ Pay heed to him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your peysha'im; for My Shem is in him.
- ²² But if thou shalt indeed obey his [bat] kol, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.
- ²³ For My Malach shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Emori, and the Chitti, and the Perizzi, and the Kena'ani, the Chivi, and the Yevusi; I will cut them off.
- ²⁴Thou shalt not bow down to their elohim, nor serve them, nor follow after their works; but thou shalt utterly overthrow them, and completely break down their matztzvot (memorial columns dedicated to idols).
- ²⁵ And ye shall serve HASHEM Eloheichem, and He shall bless thy lechem, and thy mayim; and I will take machalah (sickness) away from the midst of thee.
- ²⁶There shall nothing miscarry their young, nor be barren, in thy land; the mispar (number) of thy yamim I will fulfill.

[‡] **23:19** See Ac 2

- ²⁷ I will send My ehmah (*terror*) ahead of thee, and will throw into confusion all the people to whom thou shalt come, and I will make all thine enemies turn their backs unto thee.
- ²⁸ And I will send the tzirah (hornet) ahead of thee, which shall drive out the Chivi, the Kena'ani, and the Chitti. from before thee.
- ²⁹ I will not drive them out from before thee in shanah echat; lest ha'aretz become desolate, and the beast of the sadeh multiply against thee.

³⁰ Me'at me'at (*little by little*) I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and

inherit ha'aretz.

³¹ And I will establish thy borders from the Yam Suf even unto the Yam Pelishtim, and from the Midbar unto the [Euphrates] River: for I will deliver the inhabitants of ha'aretz into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.

³² Thou shalt make no brit (covenant) with them,

nor with their elohim.

³³ They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make thee sin against Me; for if thou serve their elohim, it will surely be a mokesh (*snare*) unto thee.

- ¹ And He said unto Moshe, Come up unto HASHEM, thou, and Aharon, Nadav, and Avihu, and shive'im (*seventy*) of the Ziknei Yisroel; and worship ye afar off.
- ² And Moshe alone shall come near HASHEM; but they shall not come near; neither shall HaAm go up with him.
- ³ And Moshe came and told HaAm kol divrei HASHEM, and all the mishpatim; and kol HaAm

answered with one voice, and said, All the words which HASHEM hath said will we do.

- ⁴ And Moshe wrote kol divrei HASHEM, and rose up early in the boker, and built a Mizbe'ach at the base of HaHar, and twelve matzevah (stone pillars), according to the twelve Shivtei Yisroel.
- ⁵ And he sent out na'arei Bnei Yisroel, which offered olot *(burnt offerings)*, and sacrificed shelamim *(peace offerings)* of bulls unto HASHEM.
- ⁶ And Moshe took half of the dahm, and put it in bowls; and the other half of the dahm he sprinkled upon the Mizbe'ach.
- ⁷ Then he took the Sefer HaBrit, and read it aloud in the ears of HaAm, and they responded, All that HASHEM hath said we will do, and be obedient.
- ⁸ And Moshe took the remaining dahm, and sprinkled it on HaAm, and said, Hinei dahm habrit, which HASHEM hath cut with you concerning all these words.
- ⁹ Then went up Moshe, and Aharon, Nadav, and Avihu, and shive'im Ziknei Yisroel;
- ¹⁰ And they saw the Elohei Yisroel; and there was under His feet the likeness of sapphire stone pavement, and like the very Shomayim in its clearness.
- ¹¹ And against the leaders of the Bnei Yisroel He laid not His yad; also they saw HaElohim, and did eat and drink.
- ¹² And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Come up to Me into HaHar, and remain there; and I will give thee the Luchot HaEven, and the torah, and the mitzvot which I have written to teach them.

- ¹³ And Moshe rose up, and Yehoshua meshareto (the one aiding him, the one ministering to him); and Moshe went up into the Har HaElohim.
- ¹⁴ And he said unto the Zekenim, Tarry ye here for us, until we come again unto you; and, hinei, Aharon and Chur are with you; if any man have a grievance, let him come unto them.
- ¹⁵ And Moshe went up into HaHar, and an anan concealed HaHar.
- ¹⁶ And the Kevod HASHEM abode upon Mt. Sinai, and the anan concealed it sheshet yamim; and the yom hashevi'i He called unto Moshe out of the midst of the anan.
- ¹⁷ And the sight of the Kevod HASHEM was like eish ochelet (*devouring fire*) on the top of HaHar in the eyes of the Bnei Yisroel.
- ¹⁸ And Moshe went into the midst of the anan, going up into HaHar; and Moshe was in HaHar arba'im yom v'arba'im lailah.

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[TERUMAH]

- ¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ² Speak unto the Bnei Yisroel, that they bring Me a terumah (offering); of every man that giveth it willingly with his lev ye shall receive My terumah (offering).
- ³ And this is the terumah (offering) which ye shall receive of them; zahav, and kesef, and nechoshet,
- ⁴ And turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and linen, and goat hair,

- ⁵ And ram skins dyed red, and tachash skins, and acacia wood,
- ⁶ Shemen for the light, spices for shemen hamishchah (anointing oil) and aromatic ketoret (incense),
- ⁷ Shoham stone, and stones to be set in the Ephod, and in the Choshen (*Breastplate*).
- ⁸ And let them make Me a Mikdash; that I may dwell among them.
- ⁹ According to all that I show thee, after the tavnit HaMishkan (pattern of the Tabernacle), and the tavnit of all the vessels thereof, even so shall ye make it.
- ¹⁰ And they shall make an Aron (*Ark*) of acacia wood; two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the width thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
- ¹¹ And thou shalt overlay it with zahav tahor, within and without shalt thou overlay it, and shalt make upon it a gold crown all around.
- ¹² And thou shalt cast four rings of zahav for it, and put them in the four corners thereof; and two rings shall be in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it.
- ¹³ And thou shalt make poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with zahav.
- ¹⁴ And thou shalt put the poles into the rings by the sides of the Aron, that the Aron may be carried with them.
- ¹⁵ The poles shall be in the rings of the Aron; they shall not be removed from it.
- ¹⁶ And thou shalt put into the Aron the Edut (*Testimony*) [of Tablets] which I shall give thee.

- ¹⁷ And thou shalt make a kapporet of zahav tahor; two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the width thereof.
- ¹⁸ And thou shalt make two keruvim of zahav, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the kapporet.
- ¹⁹ And make one keruv on the one end, and the other keruv on the other end, with the kapporet (atonement cover) shall ye make the keruvim on the two ends thereof.
- ²⁰ And the keruvim shall stretch forth their wings upward, covering the kapporet with their wings, and their faces shall look one to another; toward the kapporet shall the faces of the keruvim be.
- ²¹ And thou shalt place the kapporet on the Aron from above; and into the Aron thou shalt place the Edut that I shall give thee.
- ²² And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the kapporet, from between the two keruvim which are upon the Aron HaEdut, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the Bnei Yisroel.
- ²³ Thou shalt also make a Shulchan of acacia wood; two cubits shall be the length thereof, and a cubit the width thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof.
- ²⁴ And thou shalt overlay it with zahav tahor, and make thereto a crown of zahav around.
- ²⁵ And thou shalt make unto it a border of a handbreadth round about, and thou shalt make a golden crown on the rim thereof round about.
- ²⁶ And thou shalt make for it four rings of zahav, and place the rings in the four corners that are on

the four legs thereof.

- ²⁷ Over against the rim shall the rings be for holders of the poles to carry the Shulchan.
- ²⁸ And thou shalt make the poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with zahav, that the Shulchan may be carried with them.
- ²⁹ And thou shalt make the dishes thereof, and spoons thereof, and shelving-tubes thereof, and bowls thereof, with which it shall be used to pour libations; of zahav tahor shalt thou make them.
- ³⁰ And thou shalt set upon the Shulchan the Lechem Panim before Me always.
- ³¹ And thou shalt make a Menorah of zahav tahor; hammered out shall the Menorah be made; its base, its shaft, and its cups, its knobs, and its blossoms, shall be of the same.
- ³² And six branches shall come out of the sides of it; three branches of the menorah out of the one side, and three branches of the menorah out of the other side:
- ³³Three cups engraved with almonds on the one branch, a knob and a flower; and three cups made like almonds in the other branch, with a knob and a flower; so for the six branches that come out of the Menorah.
- ³⁴ And on the Menorah shall be four cups engraved like almonds, its knobs and its flowers.
- ³⁵ And there shall be a knob under two branches of the same, and a knob under two branches of the same, and a knob under two branches of the same, according to the six branches that proceed out of the Menorah.
- ³⁶ Their knobs and their branches shall be of the same; all of it shall be one hammered out work of

zahav tahor.

- ³⁷ And thou shalt make the nerot shivah thereof; and they shall kindle the nerot thereof, that they may give light toward its face.
- ³⁸ And the tongs thereof, and the spoons thereof, shall be of zahay tahor.

³⁹ Of a talent of zahav tahor shall he make it,

with all these vessels.

⁴⁰ And see that thou make them after their tavnit, which was shown thee in HaHar.

- ¹Moreover thou shalt make the Mishkan (*Tabernacle*) with ten curtains of twisted linen with turquoise, purple, and scarlet wool; with keruvim of artistic needle work shalt thou make them.
- ² The length of one curtain shall be eight and twenty cubits, and the width of one curtain four cubits; and every one of the curtains shall have middah achat (one size).
- ³ The five curtains shall be choverot *(joined together)* one to another; and the other five curtains shall be choverot one to another.
- ⁴ And thou shalt make loops of turquoise wool upon the edge of the outermost curtain of the set; and likewise shalt thou make loops upon the edge of the outermost curtain, in the second set.
- ⁵ Fifty loops shalt thou make in the first curtain, and fifty loops shalt thou make on the edge of the outermost curtain that is in the second set; that the loops may be opposite one another.
- ⁶ And thou shalt make fifty hooks of zahav, and join the curtains together with the hooks: so that the Mishkan shall become echad.

⁷ And thou shalt make curtains of goat hair to be an Ohel over the Mishkan: eleven curtains shalt thou make.

⁸The length of one curtain shall be thirty cubits, the width of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains shall be all of the middah achat (same size).

⁹ And thou shalt join into one five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves, and shalt fold the sixth curtain over the front of the Ohel.

¹⁰ And thou shalt make fifty loops along the edge of the first curtain at the end of one choveret (*set*), and fifty loops on the edge of the curtain of the second choveret (*set*).

- ¹¹ And thou shalt make fifty hooks of nechoshet, and put the hooks into the loops, and attach the Ohel, so that it may become echad *(one)*.
- ¹² And the remnant of the overhang of the curtains of the Ohel, half of the curtain that remaineth, shall hang over the back of the Mishkan.
- ¹³ And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side of that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the Ohel, shall hang over the sides of the Mishkan on this side and the other, to cover it.
- ¹⁴ And thou shalt make a Mikhseh for the Ohel of ram skins dyed red, and a Mikhseh of tachash skins above.
- ¹⁵ And thou shalt make the kerashim *(planks)* of the Mishkan of acacia wood, standing erect.
- ¹⁶ Ten cubits shall be the length of each keresh (*plank*), and a cubit and a half shall be the width of each keresh (*plank*).

- ¹⁷ Two yadot (*tenons*, *projections*) shall there be in each keresh (*plank*), set in order one against another: thus shalt thou make for all the kerashim (*planks*) of the Mishkan.
- ¹⁸ And thou shalt make the kerashim (*planks*) for the Mishkan, twenty kerashim (*planks*) on the south side southward.
- ¹⁹ And thou shalt make arba'im sockets of kesef under the twenty kerashim (*planks*); two sockets under one keresh (*plank*) for its two yadot (*tenons, projections*), and two sockets under the next keresh (*plank*) for its two yadot.
- ²⁰ And for the second wall of the Mishkan on the tzafon (*north*) side there shall be twenty kerashim (*planks*):
- ²¹ And their arba'im sockets of kesef; two sockets under one keresh (*plank*), and two sockets under the next keresh (*plank*).
- ²² And for the back of the Mishkan on the west, thou shalt make six kerashim (*planks*).
- ²³ And two kerashim (*planks*) shalt thou make for the corners of the Mishkan in the rear.
- ²⁴ And they (the planks) shall be even at the bottom, and they shall be joined together (even) at the top, for a single ring thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners.
- ²⁵ And they shall be shemoneh kerashim (eight planks), and their sockets of kesef, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one keresh, two sockets under the next keresh.
- ²⁶ And thou shalt make crossbars of acacia wood; five for the kerashim *(planks)* of the one side of the Mishkan.
 - ²⁷ And five crossbars for the kerashim (*planks*)

of the second wall of the Mishkan, and five crossbars for the kerashim *(planks)* of the wall of the Mishkan at the back, westward.

- ²⁸ And the middle crossbar inside the kerashim (planks) shall extend from end to end.
- ²⁹ And thou shalt overlay the kerashim (*planks*) with zahav, and make their rings of zahav as housing for the crossbars: and thou shalt overlay the crossbars with zahav.

³⁰ And thou shalt erect the Mishkan according to the mishpat (*plan*, *specifications*) thereof which was showed thee in HaHar.

³¹ And thou shalt make a Parochet of turquoise, purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted linen of ma'aseh choshev *(artistic craftwork)* with keruvim shall it be made:

³² And thou shalt hang it upon four ammudim of acacia wood overlaid with zahav: their hooks shall be of zahav, upon the four sockets of kesef.

- ³³ And thou shalt hang up the Parochet under the hooks, that thou mayest bring in there behind the Parochet, the Aron HaEdut: and the Parochet shall separate unto you between HaKodesh and the Kodesh HaKodashim.
 - 34 And thou shalt put the Kapporet upon the

Aron HaEdut in the Kodesh HaKodashim.

- ³⁵ And thou shalt place the Shulchan michutz (outside) the Parochet, and the Menorah opposite the Shulchan on the south side of the Mishkan: and thou shalt place the Shulchan on the north side.
- ³⁶ And thou shalt make a Masach (*Screen, Curtain*) for the petach (*entrance*) of the Ohel, of turquoise, purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted

linen, wrought with ma'aseh rokem (embroidering craft).

³⁷ And thou shalt make for the Masach five ammudim of acacia wood, and overlay them with zahav, and their hooks shall be of zahav; and thou shalt cast five sockets of nechoshet for them.

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¹ And thou shalt build the Mizbe'ach of acacia wood, five cubits long, and five cubits wide; the Mizbe'ach shall be foursquare; and the height thereof shall be shalosh cubits.

² And thou shalt make the karnot of it upon the four corners thereof; its karnot shall be of one piece with it; and thou shalt overlay it with

nechoshet.

³ And thou shalt make its pots to receive its ashes, and its shovels, and its basins, and its meat forks, and its firepans; all the vessels thereof thou shalt make of nechoshet.

- ⁴ And thou shalt build for it a mikhbar (grate), a strainer reshet (mesh, netting) of nechoshet; and upon the meshwork shalt thou make four taba'ot (rings) of nechoshet in the four corners thereof.
- ⁵ And thou shalt put it under the karkov ([surrounding] border, ledge) of the Mizbe'ach from below, that the meshwork may be half the height of the Mizbe'ach.
- ⁶ And thou shalt make badim (carrying poles) designed for the Mizbe'ach, poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with nechoshet.
- ⁷ And the badim shall be put into the taba'ot, and the badim shall be upon the two sides of the Mizbe'ach, to carry it.

- ⁸ Hollow, with luchot (planks, boards, panels), shalt thou make as it was showed thee on HaHar, so shall they make it.
- ⁹ And thou shalt make the Khatzer (*Courtyard*) of the Mishkan; for the south side southward there shall be kela'im (*curtains*, *hangings*) for the Khatzer (*Courtyard*) of twisted linen of a hundred cubits long for one side;
- ¹⁰ And the twenty ammudim thereof and their twenty sockets shall be of nechoshet; the hooks of the ammudim and their bands shall be of kesef.
- ¹¹ And likewise for the north side in length there shall be kela'im (curtains, hangings) of a hundred cubits long, and its twenty ammudim and their twenty sockets of nechoshet; the hooks of the ammudim and their bands of kesef.
- ¹² And for the width of the Khatzer (*Courtyard*) on the west side shall be kela'im (*curtains*, *hangings*) of fifty cubits; their ammudim ten, and their sockets ten.
- ¹³ And the width of the Khatzer (*Courtyard*) on the east side mizrachah (*eastward*, *toward sunrise*) shall be fifty cubits.
- ¹⁴ The kela'im *(curtains, hangings)* of one shoulder [of the entrance] shall be fifteen cubits; their ammudim shloshah, and their sockets shloshah.
- ¹⁵ And on the other shoulder [of the entrance] shall be hangings fifteen cubits; their ammudim shloshah, and their sockets shloshah.
- ¹⁶ And for the sha'ar (gate) of the Khatzer (Courtyard) shall be a Masach (Screen) of twenty cubits, of turquoise, and purple, and scarlet, and twisted linen, wrought with ma'aseh rokem (craft or work

of embroidering); and their ammudim shall be four, and their sockets four.

17 All the ammudim around the Khatzer (Courtyard) shall be banded with kesef; their hooks shall

be of kesef, and their sockets of nechoshet.

¹⁸ The length of the Khatzer (*Courtyard*) shall be a hundred cubits, and the width fifty by fifty, and the height five cubits of twisted linen, and their sockets of nechoshet.

¹⁹ All the vessels of the Mishkan in all the avodah (*service*) thereof, and all the pegs thereof, and all the pegs of the Khatzer (*Courtyard*), shall be of

nechoshet.

[TETZAVEH]

- ²⁰ And thou shalt command the Bnei Yisroel, that they bring thee pure pressed* shemen zayit (olive oil) for the ohr, to kindle the Ner Tamid (*Perpetual Lamp*).
- ²¹In the Ohel Moed outside the Parochet, which is before the Edut, Aharon and his banim shall arrange it from erev to boker before HASHEM; it shall be a chukkat olam unto their dorot from the Bnei Yisroel.

- ¹ And bring thou near unto thee Aharon thy brother, and his banim with him, from the midst of the Bnei Yisroel, that he may minister unto Me in the kohen's office, even Aharon, Nadav and Avihu, El'azar and Itamar, Bnei Aharon.
- ² And thou shalt make Bigdei Kodesh for Aharon thy brother for kavod and tiferet.

^{* 27:20} T.N. not pounded, that the oil would be pure

- ³ And thou shalt speak unto all that are of chochmei lev, whom I have filled with the Ruach Chochmah, that they may make Bigdei Aharon to set him apart as kodesh, that he may minister unto Me in the kohen's office.
- ⁴ And these are HaBegadim which they shall make: a Choshen, and an Ephod, and a Me'il, and a Kesones of a box-like knitting work, a Mitznefet, and an Avnet; and they shall make Bigdei Kodesh for Aharon thy brother, and his Banim, that he may minister unto Me in the kohen's office.
- ⁵ And they shall take zahav, and turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and linen.
- ⁶ And they shall make the Ephod of zahav, of turquoise, and of purple, of scarlet wool, and twisted linen, with ma'aseh choshev (artistic embroidery).
- ⁷ It shall have the two ketefot (shoulder straps) thereof joined at the two sides thereof; and so it shall be joined together.
- ⁸ And the Cheishev of his Ephod, which is upon it, shall be of the same, according to the work thereof; even of zahav, of turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted linen.
- ⁹ And thou shalt take two avnei shoham *(onyx stones)*, and engrave on them the Shemot of the Bnei Yisroel:
- ¹⁰ Shisha of their Shemot on one even (*stone*), and the other Shemot of the shisha remaining on the other even (*stone*), according to toledot (*in the order in which they were born*).
- ¹¹ With the work of a charash even (engraver in gemstones), like the engravings of a chotam

- (signet ring), shalt thou engrave the two avanim with the Shemot Bnei Yisroel; thou shalt make them to be set in mishbetzot zahav (filigrees of gold).
- ¹² And thou shalt fasten the two avanim upon the Kitfot HaEphod for avnei zikaron (memorial stones) unto the Bnei Yisroel; and Aharon shall bear their Shemot before HASHEM upon his two ketefayim for a zikaron.
- ¹³ And thou shalt make mishbetzot zahav (filigrees of gold);
- ¹⁴ And two sharsherot zahav tahor *(chains of pure gold)* at the edges; of braided artistic work shalt thou make them, and fasten the braided sharsherot *(chains)* to the mishbetzot *(filigrees)*.
- ¹⁵ And thou shalt make the Choshen Mishpat with artistic work; like the work of the Ephod thou shalt make it; of zahav, of turquoise, and of purple, and of scarlet wool, and of twisted linen, shalt thou make it.
- ¹⁶ Ravu'a *(foursquare, square)* it shall be folded; a span shall be the length thereof, and a span shall be the width thereof.
- ¹⁷ And thou shalt set in it settings of even (*stone*), four rows of gemstones: the first row shall be an odem, a pitdah, and bareket: this shall be the first row.
- ¹⁸ And the second row shall be nofech, sapphire, and yahalom.
- ¹⁹ And the third row a leshem, shevo, and achlamah.
- ²⁰ And the fourth row tarshish, shoham, and yashfeh; they shall be set in zahav in their settings.

- ²¹ And the avanim (*gemstones*) shall be for the Shemot Bnei Yisroel, Shteym Esreh (*Twelve*), according to their Shemot, like the engravings of a chotam (*signet ring*); every one with shmo shall they be according to the Shnei Asar Shevet (*Twelve Tribes*).
- ²² And thou shalt make for the Choshen at the edges of braided artistic work of zahav tahor (pure gold).
- ²³ And thou shalt make upon the Choshen two rings of zahav, and shalt fasten the two rings on the two ends of the Choshen.
- ²⁴ And thou shalt fasten the two ropes of zahav on the two rings which are on the ends of the Choshen.
- ²⁵ And the other two ends of the two ropes thou shalt fasten in the two mishbetzot (*filigrees*), and attach them to the Ketefot HaEphod (*Shoulder Straps of the Ephod*) toward its front.
- ²⁶ And thou shalt make two rings of zahav, and thou shalt put them upon the two ends of the Choshen on the lower border thereof, on the inside toward the Ephod.
- ²⁷ And two other rings of zahav thou shalt make, and shalt put them on at the bottom of the Kitfot HaEphod toward the front thereof, opposite the seam thereof, above the Cheishev HaEphod (*Belt of the Ephod*).
- ²⁸ And they shall bind the Choshen by the rings thereof unto the rings of the Ephod with a turquoise woolen cord, that it may be above the Cheishev HaEphod, and that the Choshen be not loosed from the Ephod.

- ²⁹ And Aharon shall bear the Shemot Bnei Yisroel in the Choshen HaMishpat upon his lev, when he goeth in unto HaKodesh, for a zikaron (memorial) before HASHEM tamid.
- ³⁰ And thou shalt put in the Choshen HaMishpat the Urim and the Tummim; and they shall be upon the lev Aharon, when he goeth in before HASHEM; and Aharon shall nasa (bear) * the Mishpat Bnei Yisroel upon his lev before Наѕнем tamid.
- 31 And thou shalt make the Me'il HaEphod all of turquoise wool.
- 32 And there shall be a head opening in the top of it, in the middle thereof; it shall have a border of artistic embroidery around the head opening of it, like the head opening of a coat of mail; that it be not torn.
- 33 And beneath upon the hem of it thou shalt make pomegranates of turquoise, and of purple, and of scarlet, around the hem thereof; and bells of zahav between them round about:

³⁴ A bell of zahav and a pomegranate, a bell of zahav and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the

Me'il round about.

- 35 And it shall be upon Aharon lesharet (to minister); and his sound shall be heard when he goeth in unto HaKodesh before HASHEM, and when he cometh out, that he die not.
- 36 And thou shalt make a Tzitz zahav tahor (head plate of pure gold), and engrave upon it, like the engravings of a chotam (signet ring), KODESH LAHASHEM.
- ³⁷ And thou shalt put it on a turquoise cord, that it may be upon the Mitznefet; upon the forefront

^{28:30} See this word Isa 53:12

of the Mitznefet it shall be.

- ³⁸ And it shall be upon metzach Aharon (forehead of Aharon), that Aharon may nasa (bear) † the avon of the kodashim (holy things), which the Bnei Yisroel shall set apart as kodesh in all their mattanot kadoshot (holy gifts); and it shall be always upon his metzach (forehead), that they may be leratzon (accepted, acceptable) before HASHEM.
- ³⁹ And thou shalt embroider the Kesones of fine linen, and thou shalt make the Mitznefet of fine linen, and thou shalt make the Avnet of artistic embroidery.
- ⁴⁰ And for Bnei Aharon thou shalt make Kuttanot (*Tunics*), and thou shalt make for them Avnetim, and Migba'ot shalt thou make for them, for kavod and for tiferet.
- ⁴¹ And thou shalt put them upon Aharon thy brother, and his banim with him; and shalt anoint them, and ordain them, and set them apart as kodesh, that they may minister unto Me in the kohen's office.
- ⁴² And thou shalt make them mikhnesei bahd (*linen undergarments*) to cover their nakedness; from the loins even unto the thighs they shall reach;
- ⁴³ And they shall be upon Aharon, and upon his banim, when they come in unto the Ohel Mo'ed, or when they come near unto the Mizbe'ach lesharet (to minister) in HaKodesh; that they incur not avon, and die; it shall be a chukkat olahm unto him and his zera after him.

[†] **28:38** See this word Isa 53:12

- ¹ And this is the thing that thou shalt do unto them to set them apart as kodesh, to minister unto Me in the kohen's office: Take one bull calf, and two rams temimim (without blemish),
- ² And lechem matzot, and challot matzot mixed with shemen, and wafers matzot smeared with shemen; of fine wheat flour shalt thou make them.
- ³ Thou shalt put them into sal echad (one basket); bring them near in the sal, with the bull and the two rams.
- ⁴ And Aharon and his banim thou shalt bring unto the petach of the Ohel Mo'ed, and shalt immerse them with mayim.
- ⁵ And thou shalt take the begadim, and put upon Aharon the kesones,* and the Me'il HaEphod, and the Ephod, and the Choshen, and gird him with the Cheishev HaEphod;
- ⁶ And thou shalt put the Mitznefet upon his head, and put the Nezer HaKodesh upon the Mitznefet.
- ⁷Then shalt thou take the Shemen HaMishchah, and pour it upon his head, and anoint him.
- ⁸ And thou shalt bring near his banim, and put kuttanot upon them.
- ⁹ And thou shalt gird them with Avnet, Aharon and his banim, and put the migba'ot on them; and the Kehunnah shall be theirs for a chukkat olam; and thou shalt ordain† Aharon and his banim.
- ¹⁰ And thou shalt cause a bull to be brought before the Ohel Mo'ed; Aharon and his banim

^{* 29:5} See Yn 19:23; Ps 110:4 † 29:9 i.e. fill their hands (invest them with authority as ministers)

shall put their hands upon the head of the bull.

- ¹¹ And thou shalt slaughter (shachat) the bull before HASHEM, by the petach of the Ohel Mo'ed.
- ¹² And thou shalt take of the dahm of the bull, and put it upon the karnot of the Mizbe'ach with thy finger, and pour all the dahm on the yesod *(base)* of the Mizbe'ach.
- ¹³ And thou shalt take all the chelev that covereth the innards, and the diaphragm with the liver, and the two kidneys, and the chelev that is upon them, and burn them upon the Mizbe'ach.
- ¹⁴ But the basar of the bull, and his hide, and his dung, shalt thou burn with eish outside the machaneh; it is a chattat.
- ¹⁵Thou shalt also take one ram; and Aharon and his banim shall put their hands upon the head of the ram.
- ¹⁶ And thou shalt slaughter the ram, and thou shalt take his dahm, and sprinkle it around upon the Mizbe'ach.‡
- ¹⁷ And thou shalt cut the ayil *(ram)* into pieces, and wash the innards of him, and his legs, and put them with his pieces, and his head.
- ¹⁸ And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the Mizbe'ach: it is an olah unto HASHEM: it is a re'ach hannichoach, an offering made by eish unto HASHEM.
- ¹⁹ And thou shalt take the other ayil; and Aharon and his banim shall lay their hands upon the head of the ayil.
- ²⁰ Then shalt thou slaughter (*shachat*) the ayil, and take of his dahm, and put it upon the lobe

[‡] **29:16** See Isa 52:15 on Moshiach's sprinkling of the Goyim **§ 29:18** See Pp 4:18

of the right ear of Aharon, and upon the lobe of the right ear of his banim, and upon the thumb of their right yad, and upon the bohen of their right foot, and sprinkle the dahm upon the Mizbe'ach, all around.

²¹ And thou shalt take of the dahm that is upon the Mizbe'ach, and of the shemen hamishchah, and sprinkle it upon Aharon, upon his garments, upon his banim, upon the garments of his banim with him; he shall be set apart as kodesh, and his garments, his banim, his banim's garments with him.

²² Also thou shalt take of the ram the chelev and the tail, and the fat that covereth the innards, and the diaphragm with the liver, and the two kidneys, and the chelev that is on them, and the right thigh; for it is an ayil millu'im (ram of ordination);

²³ And one kekar lechem (*loaf of bread*), and one challah of lechem shemen (*oily loaf of bread*), and one wafer out of the basket of the matzot that is before HASHEM:

²⁴ And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aharon, and in the hands of his banim; and shalt wave

them for a tenufah before HASHEM.

²⁵ And thou shalt take them from their hands, and burn them upon the Mizbe'ach for an olah, for a re'ach hannichoach* before HASHEM: it is an offering made by eish unto HASHEM.

²⁶ And thou shalt take the breast of the ayil hamillu'im *(ram of ordination)* for Aharon, and wave it for a tenufah before HASHEM; and it shall be thy portion.

²⁷ And thou shalt set apart as kodesh the breast

^{*} **29:25** See Pp 4:18

of the tenufah, and the thigh of the terumah, which is waved, and which is raised up, of the ayil hamillu'im, even of that which is for Aharon, and of that which is for his banim;

²⁸ And it shall be Aharon's and his banim's by a chok olam from the Bnei Yisroel; for it is a terumah; and it shall be a terumah from the Bnei Yisroel of the zivkhei shelemim of them, even their terumah unto HASHEM.

²⁹ And the Bigdei Hakodesh of Aharon shall be his banim's after him, to be anointed therein, and

to be ordained in them.

³⁰ And that ben that is kohen in his succession shall put them on shivat yamim, when he cometh into the Ohel Mo'ed to minister in HaKodesh.

31 And thou shalt take the ayil hamillu'im, and

cook his basar in the Makom Kodesh.

32 And Aharon and his banim shall eat the basar of the ayil, and the lechem that is in the sal petach

Ohel Mo'ed.

- ³³ And they shall eat those things wherewith the kapporah was made, to ordain and to set them apart as kodesh; but a zar shall not eat thereof, because they are kodesh.
- ³⁴ And if anything remains of the basar of the millu'im, or of the lechem, unto the boker, then thou shalt burn the remainder with eish; it shall not be eaten, because it is kodesh.
- ³⁵ And thus shalt thou do unto Aharon, and to his banim, according to all things which I have commanded thee; shivat yamim shalt thou ordain them.
- ³⁶ And thou shalt offer every day the bull of the chattat for kippurim (blood atonements); and thou shalt purify the Mizbe'ach, when thou hast made

a kapporah for it, and thou shalt anoint it, to set it apart as kodesh.

- ³⁷ Shivat yamim thou shalt make a kapporah for the Mizbe'ach, and set it apart as kodesh; and it shall be a Mizbe'ach kodesh kodashim; whatsoever toucheth the Mizbe'ach shall be kodesh.
- ³⁸ Now this is that which thou shalt offer upon the Mizbe'ach: two kevasim (*lambs*) of the first year each day tamid (*continually*).
- ³⁹ The one lamb thou shalt offer in the boker; and the other lamb thou shalt offer in the afternoon;
- ⁴⁰ And with the one lamb a tenth ephah of fine flour mixed with the fourth part of a hin of pressed shemen; and the fourth part of a hin of yayin for a nesekh (*drink offering*).†
- ⁴¹ And the other lamb thou shalt offer in the afternoon, and shalt do thereto according to the minchah of the boker, and according to the nesekh thereof, for a re'ach hannichoach,‡ an offering made by eish unto HASHEM.
- ⁴² This shall be an olat tamid throughout your dorot at the petach of the Ohel Mo'ed before HASHEM; where I will meet you, to speak there unto thee.
- ⁴³ And there I will meet by appointment with the Bnei Yisroel, and it shall be set apart as kodesh by My Kavod.
- ⁴⁴ And I will set apart as kodesh the Ohel Mo'ed, and the Mizbe'ach; and I will set apart as kodesh also both Aharon and his banim, to minister to Me in the kohen's office.

45 And I will dwell among the Bnei Yisroel, and

will be their Elohim.

⁴⁶ And they shall have da'as that I am HASHEM Eloheihem, Who brought them forth out of Eretz Mitzrayim, to rest My§ dwelling among them; I am HASHEM Eloheihem.

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¹ And thou shalt make a Mizbe'ach to burn ketonet (*incense*) upon; of acacia wood shalt thou make it.

² A cubit shall be the length thereof, and a cubit the width thereof; ravu'a (foursquare, square) shall it be; and two cubits shall be the height thereof; the karnenot thereof shall be of the same.

³ And thou shalt overlay it with zahav tahor, the top thereof, and the sides thereof all around, and the karnenot thereof; and thou shalt make unto it

a crown of zahav all around.

- ⁴And two tabe'ot zahav (golden rings) shalt thou make to it under the crown of it, by the two corners thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make it; and they shall be for places for the carrying poles to bear it withal.
- ⁵ And thou shalt make the carrying poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with zahav.
- ⁶ And thou shalt put it in front of the Parochet that is before the Aron HaEdut, before the Kapporet that is over HaEdut, where I will set My meetings with thee.
- ⁷ And Aharon shall burn thereon spice ketoret every boker; when he cleaneth the nerot (*lamps*), he shall burn it.

[§] **29:46** Shekhinah

⁸ And when Aharon lighteth the nerot (*lamps*) in the afternoon, he shall burn ketoret upon it, ketoret tamid before HASHEM throughout your dorot.

⁹ Ye shall offer no ketoret zarah thereon, nor olah, nor minchah; neither shall ye pour nesekh

thereon.

¹⁰ And Aharon shall make kapporah upon the karenot of it once in a year with the dahm of the chattat hakippurim; once in the year shall he make kapporah upon it throughout your dorot; it is kodesh kodashim unto HASHEM.*

[KI TISA]

- ¹¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ¹² When thou takest the census of the Bnei Yisroel after their number, then shall they give every man a kofer nafsho (life price, atoning payment for his nefesh or soul) unto HASHEM, when thou numberest them; that there be no negef (plague) among them, when thou numberest them.
- ¹³ This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are pekudim (numbered, counted), half a shekel after the shekel of HaKodesh. (A shekel is twenty gerahs.) A half shekel shall be the terumah (offering) unto HASHEM.
- ¹⁴ Every one that passeth among them that are numbered, from twenty years old and above, shall give a terumah (offering) unto HASHEM.
- ¹⁵ The oisher (*rich man*) shall not give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a shekel,

^{*} **30:10** See Lv 16 on this

when they give a terumah (offering) unto HASHEM, to make kapporah for your nefashot.

- ¹⁶ And thou shalt take the kesef hakippurim of the Bnei Yisroel, and shalt appoint it for the Avodat Ohel Mo'ed (Work, Service of the Tent of Appointed Meeting); that it may be a zikaron unto the Bnei Yisroel before HASHEM, to make kapporah for your nefashot.†
 - ¹⁷ And Hashem spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ¹⁸ Thou shalt also make a Kiyor of nechoshet, and its Stand also of nechoshet, to wash withal; and thou shalt place it between the Ohel Mo'ed and the Mizbe'ach, and thou shalt put mayim therein.
- ¹⁹ For Aharon and his banim shall wash their hands and their feet thereat:
- ²⁰ When they go into the Ohel Mo'ed, they shall wash with mayim, that they die not; or when they come near to the Mizbe'ach to minister, to present offering made by eish unto HASHEM;
- ²¹ So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not; and it shall be a chok olam to them, even to him and to his zera throughout their dorot.
 - ²² Moreover HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ²³ Take thou also unto thee choice spices, of pure myrrh five hundred shekel-weights, and of fragrant cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty, and of fragrant cane spice two hundred and fifty,
- ²⁴ And of cassia five hundred shekel-weights, after the shekel of HaKodesh, and of shemen zayit

[†] **30:16** See Ps 49; 1K 1:18-19

(oil olive) a hin:

²⁵ And thou shalt make it a shemen mishchat kodesh, an ointment of blended compound, the art of the perfumer; it shall be a shemen mishchat kodesh.

²⁶ And thou shalt anoint the Ohel Mo'ed there-

with, and the Aron HaEdut,

- ²⁷ And the Shulchan and all its utensils, the Menorah and its utensils, and the Mizbe'ach HaKetoret,
- ²⁸ And the Mizbe'ach HaOlah with all its utensils, and the Kiyor and its Stand.
- ²⁹ And thou shalt set them apart as kodesh, that they may be kodesh kodashim; whatsoever toucheth them shall be kodesh.

³⁰ And thou shalt anoint Aharon and his banim, and set them apart as kodesh, that they may min-

ister unto Me in the kohen's office.

- ³¹ And thou shalt speak unto the Bnei Yisroel, saying, This shall be a shemen mishchat kodesh unto Me throughout your dorot.
- ³² Upon the basar adam shall it not be poured, neither shall ye make any other like it, after the formulation of it; it is kodesh, and it shall be kodesh unto you.
- ³³ Whosoever compoundeth any like it, or whosoever putteth any of it upon a zar, shall even be cut off from his people.
- ³⁴ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Take unto thee spices, stacte, and onycha, and galbanum; these spices with pure frankincense; of each shall there be an equal weight;
- ³⁵ And thou shalt make it a compound of spice, the art of a perfumer, mixed thoroughly together,

tahor and kodesh;

- ³⁶ And thou shalt beat some of it very small, and place it in front of HaEdut in the Ohel Mo'ed, where I will set a meeting with thee; it shall be unto you kodesh kodashim.
- ³⁷ And as for the ketoret which thou shalt make, ye shall not make to yourselves according to the formulation thereof; it shall be unto thee kodesh for HASHEM.

³⁸ Whosoever shall make its like, to smell it, shall even be cut off from his people.

- ¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ² See, I have called by shem Betzalel ben Uri, ben Chur, of the tribe of Yehudah;
- ³ And I have filled him with the Ruach Elohim,* in chochmah, and in tevunah, and in da'as, and in kol melachah (all workmanship),
- ⁴ To devise machashavot (artistic designs), to work in zahav, and in kesef, and in nechoshet,
- ⁵ And in engraving gemstones, to set them, and in wood-carving, to work in kol melachah *(all manner of workmanship)*.
- ⁶ And I, hinei, I have given with him Oholiav ben Achisamach, of the tribe of Dan; and in the hearts of all chacham lev I have put chochmah, that they may make all that I have commanded thee:
- ⁷The Ohel Mo'ed, and the Aron HaEdut, and the Kapporet that is thereupon, and all the utensils of the Ohel,

^{*} **31:3** See Ac 2:4

- ⁸ And the Shulchan and its utensils, and the Menorah Hatehorah with all its utensils, and the Mizbe'ach HaKetoret,
- ⁹ And the Mizbe'ach HaOlah with all its utensils, and the Kiyor and its Stand,
- ¹⁰ And the Bigdei Haserad (*Knit Garments*), and the Bigdei HaKodesh for Aharon the kohen, and the garments of his banim, to minister in the kohen's office,
- ¹¹ And the Shemen Hamishchah, and Ketoret spices for HaKodesh; according to all that I have commanded thee shall they do.
 - ¹² And Hashem spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ¹³ Speak thou also unto the Bnei Yisroel, saying, Verily My Shabbatot ye shall be shomer over; for it is an ot (sign) between Me and you throughout your dorot; that ye may have da'as that I am HASHEM Who doth set thee apart as kodesh.
- ¹⁴ Ye shall be shomer Shabbos therefore; for it is kodesh unto you; every one that is chillul Shabbos (desecrates Shabbos) shall surely be put to death; for whosoever doeth any work therein, that nefesh shall be cut off from among his people.
- ¹⁵ Sheshet yamim may work be done; but in the Yom HaShevi'i is Shabbos HaShabbaton, kodesh to HASHEM; whosoever doeth any work in the Yom HaShabbos, he shall surely be put to death.
- ¹⁶ Wherefore the Bnei Yisroel shall be shomer Shabbos, to observe Shabbos throughout their dorot, for a brit olam.
- ¹⁷ It is an ot between Me and the Bnei Yisroel l'olam; for in sheshet yamim HASHEM made Shomayim and HaAretz, and on Yom HaShevi'i

He rested (shavat, ceased working), and was refreshed.

¹⁸ And He gave unto Moshe, when He had made an end of speaking with him upon Mt. Sinai, two Luchot HaEdut (*Tablets of the Testimony*), Luchot Even (*Tablets of Stone*), written with the Etzba Elohim (*Finger of G-d*).

- ¹ And when HaAm saw that Moshe delayed to come down from HaHar, HaAm gathered themselves together unto Aharon, and said unto him, Up, make us elohim (*g-ds*), which shall go before us; for as for this Moshe, the ish that brought us up out of Eretz Mitzrayim, we know not what is become of him.
- ² And Aharon said unto them, Take off the rings of zahav in the ears of your nashim, of your banim, and of your banot, and bring them unto me.
- ³ And kol HaAm removed the rings of zahav which were in their ears, and brought them unto Aharon.
- ⁴ And he received them at their yad, and fashioned it with a cheret, after he had made it an Egel Masekhah (*Molten Calf*); and they said, These be thy elohim, O Yisroel, which brought thee up out of Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ⁵ And when Aharon saw it, he built a Mizbe'ach before it; and Aharon made proclamation, and said, Tomorrow is a chag *(feast)* to HASHEM.
- ⁶ And they rose up early the next day, and offered olot, and brought shelamim; and HaAm sat

down to eat and to drink, and rose up letzachek (to revel).

- ⁷ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Go, get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of Eretz Mitzrayim, have corrupted themselves;
- ⁸ They have turned aside quickly from HaDerech which I commanded them; they have made them an Egel Masekhah, and have bowed down to it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy elohim, O Yisroel, which have brought thee up out of the Eretz Mitzrayim.
- ⁹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, I have seen this people, and, hinei, it is an Am Kesheh Oref (stiffnecked, obstinate people);
- ¹⁰ Now therefore let Me alone, that My wrath may burn hot against them, and that I may consume them; I will make of thee a Goy Gadol.
- ¹¹ And Moshe besought НАSHEM Elohav, and said, НАSHEM, why doth Thy wrath burn hot against Thy people, which Thou hast brought forth out of Eretz Mitzrayim with ko'ach gadol, and with a yad chazakah?
- ¹² Why should the Egyptians speak, and say, For ra'ah *(evil intent)* did He bring them out, to slay them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of ha'adamah? Turn from Thy fierce wrath, and relent of the ra'ah against Thy people.
- 13 Remember Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yisroel, Thy avadim, to whom Thou swore by Thine own Self, and saidst unto them, I will multiply your zera as the kokhavim of Shomayim, and kol haaretz hazot that I have spoken of will I give unto your zera, and they shall inherit it l'olam.

- ¹⁴ And HASHEM relented of the ra'ah which He thought to do unto His people.
- ¹⁵ And Moshe turned, and went down from Ha-Har, and the two Luchot HaEdut were in his yad; the Luchot were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written.
- ¹⁶ And the Luchot were the ma'aseh Elohim, the writing was the Mikhtav Elohim, engraved upon the Luchot.
- ¹⁷ And when Yehoshua heard the kol HaAm as they shouted, he said unto Moshe, There is a noise of milchamah in the machaneh.
- ¹⁸ And Moses said, It is not the voice of them that shout for gevurah, neither is it the voice of them that cry of chalushah; but the noise of them that sing that I hear.
- ¹⁹ And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh unto the machaneh, that he saw the Egel, and the mecholot (dancing); and the anger of Moshe burned hot, and he threw the Luchot out of his hands, and broke them at the foot of HaHar.
- ²⁰ And he took the Egel which they had made, and burned it in the eish, and ground it to powder, and scattered it upon the mayim, and made the Bnei Yisroel drink of it.
- ²¹ And Moshe said unto Aharon, What did this people unto thee, that thou hast brought so chata'ah gedolah upon them?
- ²² And Aharon said, Let not the anger of adoni burn hot; thou knowest HaAm, that they are prone to rah (evil).
- ²³ For they said unto me, Make for us elohim, which shall go before us; for as for this Moshe, the

ish that brought us up out of Eretz Mitzrayim, we know not what is become of him.

- ²⁴ And I said unto them, Whosoever hath any zahav, let them remove it. So they gave it me; then I cast it into the eish, and there came out this Egel.
- ²⁵ And when Moshe saw that HaAm were exposed; (for Aharon had exposed them to derision among their enemies;)
- ²⁶ Then Moshe stood in the sha'ar of the machaneh, and said, Who is on HASHEM's side? Let him rally unto me. And all the Bnei Levi gathered themselves together unto him.
- ²⁷ And he said unto them, Thus saith HASHEM Elohei Yisroel, Put every man his cherev by his side, and go in and out from sha'ar to sha'ar throughout the machaneh, and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbor.
- ²⁸ And the Bnei Levi did according to the word of Moshe; and there fell of HaAm that day about three thousand men.
- ²⁹ For Moshe had said, Consecrate yourselves today to HASHEM, even every man against his ben, and against his brother; that He may bestow upon you a brocha this day.
- ³⁰ And it came to pass on the next day, that Moshe said unto HaAm, Ye have sinned a chata'ah gedolah; and now I will go up unto HASHEM; perhaps I can make kapporah for your chattat.
- ³¹ And Moshe returned unto HASHEM, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a chata'ah gedolah, and have made for themselves elohei zahav.

- ³² Yet now, if Thou wilt forgive their chattat but if not, blot me, now, out of Thy Sefer which Thou hast written.
- 33 And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Whosoever hath sinned against Me, him will I blot out of My Sefer.
- ³⁴ Therefore now go, lead HaAm unto the place of which I have spoken unto thee; hinei, Malachi shall go before thee; nevertheless in the yom when I visit I will visit their sin upon them.
- ³⁵ And HASHEM plagued HaAm, because they made the Egel, which Aharon made.

- ¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Depart, and go from here, thou and HaAm which thou hast brought up out of Eretz Mitzrayim, unto HaAretz which I swore unto Avraham, to Yitzchak, and to Ya'akov, saying, Unto thy zera will I give it;
- ² And I will send a Malach before thee; and I will drive out the Kena'ani, the Emori, the Chitti, the Perizzi, the Chivi, and the Yevusi;
- ³ Unto an Eretz zavat cholov and devash; for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou art an Am Kesheh Oref (stiffnecked, obstinate people); lest I consume thee in HaDerech.
- ⁴ And when HaAm heard these evil tidings, they mourned; and no ish did put on him his ornamental attire.
- ⁵ For Hashem had said unto Moshe, Say unto the Bnei Yisroel, Ye are an Am Kesheh Oref; I will come up into the midst of thee in a moment, and

consume thee; therefore now put off thy ornamental attire from thee, that I may decide what to do unto thee.

⁶ And the Bnei Yisroel stripped themselves of

their ornamental attire by Mt. Chorev.

⁷ And Moshe would take the Ohel, and pitch it outside the machaneh, afar off from the machaneh, and called it the Ohel Mo'ed. And it came to pass, that every one which sought HASHEM went out unto the Ohel Mo'ed, which was outside the machaneh.

⁸ And it came to pass, when Moshe went out unto the Ohel, that kol HaAm rose up, and stood every man at his petach ohel, and watched after

Moshe, until he was gone into the Ohel.

⁹ And it came to pass, as Moshe entered into the Ohel, the Ammud of the Anan descended, and stood at the petach Ohel, and HASHEM would speak with Moshe.

¹⁰ And kol HaAm saw the Ammud of the Anan stand at the petach Ohel; and kol HaAm rose up and worshiped, every man in his petach ohel.

- ¹¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe face to face, as an ish speaketh unto his re'a. And he returned into the machaneh; but his mesharet Yehoshua ben Nun, a na'ar, departed not out of the Ohel.
- ¹² And Moshe said unto HASHEM, See, Thou sayest unto me, Bring this people onward; and Thou hast not let me know whom Thou wilt send with me. Yet Thou hast said, I know thee by shem, and thou hast also found chen (grace, unmerited favor) in My sight.
- ¹³ Therefore, now, if I have found chen in Thy sight, show me now Thy Derech, that I may have

da'as of Thee, that I may find chen in Thy sight; and consider that this nation is Thy people.

- ¹⁴ And He said, My Presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest.
- ¹⁵ And he said unto Him, If Thy Presence go not with me, bring us not up from here.*
- ¹⁶ For how then shall it be known that I and Thy people have found chen in Thy sight? Is it not in that Thou goest with us? So shall we be made distinct as separate, I and Thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of ha'adamah.
- ¹⁷ And Hashem said unto Moshe, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken; for thou hast found chen in My sight, and I know thee by shem.
 - ¹⁸ And he said, show me now Thy kavod.
- ¹⁹ And He said, I will make kol tuvi (all My goodness) pass in front of thee, and I will call out with the Shem of HASHEM before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show rachamim on whom I will show rachamim.

²⁰ And He said, Thou canst not see My face; for

there shall no adam see Me, and live.

- ²¹ And HASHEM said, Hinei, there is a place near Me, and thou shalt stand upon the tzur;
- ²² And it shall come to pass, while My kavod passeth by, that I will put thee in a cleft of the tzur, and will cover thee with My yad until I pass by;
- ²³ And I will take away Mine yad, and thou shalt see My back; but My face shall not be seen.

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- ¹ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Chisel thee two Luchot Avanim like the first ones; and I will write upon these Luchot the devarim that were on the Luchot HaRishonim, which thou broke.
- ² And be ready in the boker, and come up in the boker unto Mt.Sinai, and present thyself there to Me on the rosh HaHar.
- ³ And no ish shall come up with thee, neither let any ish be seen throughout kol HaHar; neither let the tzon nor herd graze in front of that Har.
- ⁴ And he chiseled two Luchot Avanim like the first ones; and Moshe rose up early in the boker, and went up unto Mt.Sinai, as HASHEM had commanded him, and took in his yad the two Luchot Avanim.
- ⁵ And Hashem descended in the anan, and stood with him there, and called out the Shem of Hashem.
- ⁶ And HASHEM passed by before him, and proclaimed, HASHEM, HASHEM El Rachum v'Channun, slow to anger, and abundant in chesed and emes,
- ⁷ Preserving chesed for thousands, forgiving avon and pesha and chatta'ah, and by no means leaving the guilty unpunished; visiting the avon of the avot upon the banim, and upon the bnei banim, unto the third and to the fourth generation.
- ⁸ And Moshe made haste, and bowed his head toward the ground, and worshiped.
- ⁹ And he said, If now I have found chen in Thy sight, Adonoi, let Adonoi, now, go among us; although it is an Am Kesheh Oref; and forgive

avoneinu and chattateinu, and take us for Thine nachalah.

- ¹⁰ And He said, Hinei, I cut a brit; before all thy people I will do nifla'ot, such as have not been done in kol ha'aretz, nor in kol HaGoyim; and kol HaAm among which thou art shall see the ma'aseh HASHEM; for it is a norah that I will do with thee.
- ¹¹ Be thou shomer over that which I command thee this day; hinei, I drive out before thee the Emori, and the Kena'ani, and the Chitti, and the Perizzi, and the Chivi, and the Yevusi.
- ¹² Be shomer over thyself, lest thou make a brit with the inhabitants of HaAretz whither thou goest, lest it be for a mokesh (*snare*) in the midst of thee;
- ¹³ But ye shall destroy their mizbechot, break their matzebot, and cut down their asherah (*sacred trees, poles*);
- ¹⁴ For thou shalt worship no el acher; for НАSHEM, Whose Shem is Jealous, is El Kanah;
- ¹⁵ Lest thou make a brit with the inhabitants of HaAretz, and they go a-whoring after eloheihem, and do sacrifice unto eloheihem, and one invite thee, and thou eat of his zevach (sacrifice, i.e., participate in his pagan worship);
- ¹⁶ And thou take of their banot unto thy banim, and their banot go a-whoring after their elohim, and make thy banim go a-whoring after their elohim.
 - ¹⁷ Thou shalt make thee no elohei massekhah.
- ¹⁸ The Chag Hamatzot shalt thou be shomer over. Shivat yamim thou shalt eat matzot, as I commanded thee, in the mo'ed of the month

Aviv; for in the month Aviv thou camest out from Mitzrayim.

- ¹⁹ All that openeth the rechem *(womb)* is Mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, whether ox or seh, that is zachar.
- ²⁰ But the firstling of a donkey thou shalt redeem with a seh; and if thou redeem him not, then shalt thou break his neck. Kol bechor of thy banim thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear before Me empty.
- ²¹ Sheshet yamim thou shalt work, but on the yom hashevi'i thou shalt rest; in plowing and in harvest thou shalt rest.
- ²² And thou shalt observe Chag Shavu'os,* with the firstfruits the ketzir chittim (wheat harvest), and the Chag HaAsif (Festival of Ingathering, Harvesttime)† shall be at the tekufat hashanah (changing, turning of the year).
- ²³ Shalosh in the year shall all your men children appear before HaAdon HASHEM Elohei Yisroel.
- ²⁴ For I will drive out the Goyim before thee, and enlarge thy borders; neither shall any man covet thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before HASHEM Eloheicha shalosh in the shanah.
- ²⁵ Thou shalt not offer the dahm of My zevach with chametz; neither shall the zevach of the Chag HaPesach be left overnight unto the boker.
- ²⁶ The reshit bikkurim of thy land thou shalt bring unto the Beis HASHEM Eloheicha. Thou shalt not cook a kid in cholov immo.

^{*} **34:22** Ac 2 † **34:22** Yn 7

- ²⁷ And HASHEM said unto Moshe, Write thou these devarim; for according to these devarim I have cut a brit with thee and with Yisroel.
- ²⁸ And he was there with HASHEM arba'im yom and arba'im lailah; he did neither eat lechem, nor drink mayim. And he wrote upon the Luchot the Divrei HaBrit (*Words of the Covenant*), the Aseres Hadevarim (*Ten Commandments*).
- ²⁹ And it came to pass, when Moshe came down from Mt. Sinai with the two Luchot HaEdut in the yad Moshe, when he came down from HaHar, that Moshe had no da'as that the ohr (*skin*) of his face had become radiant when he had spoken with Him.
- ³⁰ And when Aharon and kol Bnei Yisroel saw Moshe, hinei, the ohr *(skin)* of his face was radiant; and they were afraid to come near him.
- ³¹ And Moshe called unto them; and Aharon and kol HaNesi'im of the Edah returned unto him; and Moshe spoke with them.
- ³² And afterward kol Bnei Yisroel came near; and he gave them in commandment all that HASHEM had spoken with him in Mt Sinai.
- ³³ When Moshe had finished speaking with them, he put a masveh (*veil, mask*) on his face.
- ³⁴ But when Moshe went in before HASHEM to speak with Him, he took the masveh off, until he came out. And he came out, and spoke unto the Bnei Yisroel that which he was commanded.
- 35 And the Bnei Yisroel saw the face of Moshe, that the ohr of the face of Moshe was radiant; and Moshe put the masveh upon his face again, until he went in to speak with Him.

[VAYAKHEL]

¹ And Moshe assembled kol Adat Bnei Yisroel, and said unto them, These are the Devarim which HASHEM hath commanded, that ye should do them.

² Sheshet yamim shall work be done, but on the Yom HaShevi'i shall be to you [plural] Kodesh Shabbos Shabbaton to HASHEM; whosoever doeth

work therein shall be put to death.

³ Ye shall kindle no eish throughout your habitations upon Yom HaShabbos.

- ⁴ And Moshe spoke unto kol Adat Bnei Yisroel, saying, This is the thing which HASHEM commanded, saying,
- ⁵ Take ye from among you a terumah (offering) unto HASHEM; all of nediv lev of him,* let him bring it, a terumat HASHEM, zahav, and kesef, and nechoshet,
- ⁶ And turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and fine linen, and goat hair,
- ⁷ And red-dyed ram skins, and tachash skins, and acacia wood,
- ⁸ And shemen for the light, and spices for shemen hamishchah, and for the aromatic ketoret,
- ⁹ And shoham stones, and gemstones to be set for the Ephod, and for the Choshen.

¹⁰ And kol chacham lev among you shall come, and make all that HASHEM hath commanded:

¹¹ The Mishkan, its Ohel, and its Mikhseh, its hooks, and its kerashim (*planks*), its crossbars, its ammudim, and its sockets,

^{* 35:5} i.e., urged by his heart

- ¹² The Aron, and the carrying poles thereof, with the Kapporet, and the Parochet HaMasach,
- ¹³ The Shulchan, and its carrying poles, and all its utensils, and the Lechem HaPanim,
- ¹⁴ The Menorat HaMaohr, and its utensils, and its nerot (*lamps*), with the Shemen HaMaohr,
- ¹⁵ And the Mizbe'ach HaKetoret, and its carrying poles, and the Shemen HaMishchah, and the ketoret spices, and the masach hapetach at the petach of the Mishkan,
- ¹⁶ The Mizbe'ach HaOlah, with its mikhbar hanechoshet, its carrying poles, and all its utensils, the Kiyor, and its Stand,
- ¹⁷ The curtains of the khatzer, its ammudim, and its sockets, and the masach Sha'ar HaKhatzer,
- ¹⁸ The tent pegs of the Mishkan, and the tent pegs of the khatzer, and their cords,
- ¹⁹ The Bigdei HaSerad leSharet baKodesh (to do service in HaKodesh), the Bigdei HaKodesh for Aharon the kohen, and the garments of his banim, to minister in the kohen's office.
- ²⁰ And all the Adat Bnei Yisroel departed from the presence of Moshe.
- ²¹ And they came, every one whose lev moved him, and every one of nedevah ruach of him, and they brought terumat HASHEM to the work of the Ohel Mo'ed, and for kol avodat of it, and for the Bigdei HaKodesh.
- ²² And they came, both anashim and nashim, as many as were nediv lev, and brought bracelets, and face-adornment rings, and rings, and body ornaments, all jewelry of zahav; and every ish that offered offered a tenufat zahav unto HASHEM.

- ²³ And kol ish, with whom was found turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and fine linen, and goat hair, and dyed red rams skin, and tachash skins, brought them.
- ²⁴ Every one that did offer a terumat kesef and nechoshet brought the terumat HASHEM; and found acacia wood for any melachet haAvodah, brought it.
- ²⁵ And every isha that was chachmat lev spun with her hands, and brought the spun yarn, both of turquoise, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen.

²⁶ And all the nashim whose lev stirred them up

in chochmah spun goat hair.

- ²⁷ And the nesi'im brought shoham stones, and gemstones to be set, for the Ephod, and for the Choshen;
- ²⁸ And spice, and shemen for the light, and for the shemen hamishchah, and for the ketoret spices.
- ²⁹ The Bnei Yisroel brought a nedavah unto Hashem, kol ish and isha, with nadav lev of them brought for kol hamelachah, which Hashem had commanded to be done through Moshe.
- ³⁰ And Moshe said unto the Bnei Yisroel, See, HASHEM hath called by shem Betzalel ben Uri, ben Chur, of the tribe of Yehudah;
- ³¹ And He hath filled him with the Ruach Elohim,† in chochmah, in understanding, and in da'as, and in all manner of workmanship;
- ³² And to make machashavot (artistic works), to work in zahav, and in kesef, and in nechoshet,

[†] **35:31** Ac 2:4

- ³³ And in the cutting of gems, to set them, and in wood carving, to make every melechet machshevet (work of art).
- ³⁴ And He hath given him the ability to teach, both he, and Oholiav ben Achisamach, of the tribe of Dan.
- ³⁵ Them hath He filled with chochmat lev, to do all manner of artistic work, of the carver, and of the weaver of artistic design work, and of the embroiderer, in turquoise, and in purple, in scarlet wool, and in fine linen, and of the weaver, even of them that do artistic work, and of those that make artistic designs.

- ¹ Then Betzalel and Oholiav, and kol ish chacham lev, in whom HASHEM gave chochmah and tevunah to have da'as to do all manner of work for the Avodas HaKodesh, are to do the work according to all that HASHEM had commanded.
- ² And Moshe called Betzalel and Oholiav, and kol ish chacham lev, in whose lev HASHEM had given chochmah, even every one whose lev stirred him up to come unto the work to do it;
- ³ And they received of Moshe kol haterumah, which the Bnei Yisroel had brought for the work of the Avodas HaKodesh, to make it withal. And they brought yet unto him nedavah every boker.
- ⁴ And all the chachamim, that wrought all the work of HaKodesh, came every man from his work which they were doing;
- ⁵ And they spoke unto Moshe, saying, HaAm bring much more than enough for the Avodah of the work, which HASHEM commanded to do.

- ⁶ And Moshe gave commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the machaneh, saying, Let neither ish nor isha make any more work for the terumat HaKodesh. So HaAm were restrained from bringing.
- ⁷ For the work had been sufficient for all the work to do it v'hoter.
- ⁸ And kol chacham lev among them that wrought the work of the Mishkan made ten curtains of fine linen, twisted with turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool; with keruvim in a woven artistic design made he* them.
- ⁹ The length of each curtain was twenty and eight cubits, and the width of each curtain four cubits; the curtains were all of the one size.
- ¹⁰ And he joined five curtains one unto another; and the other five curtains he joined one unto another.
- ¹¹ And he made loops of turquoise wool on the edge of one curtain at the end of the first set; likewise he made them along the edge of the end curtains of the second set.
- ¹² Fifty loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the end curtain in the second set; the loops were to be opposite one another.
- ¹³ And he made fifty hooks of zahav, and joined the curtains one unto another with the hooks; so it became Mishkan Echad.
- ¹⁴ And he made curtains of goat hair for the Ohel over the Mishkan; eleven curtains he made them.
- ¹⁵ The length of one curtain was thirty cubits, and four cubits was the width of one curtain; the eleven curtains were of the one size.

^{*} **36:8** Betzalel

- ¹⁶ And he joined five curtains into a set, and six curtains into a set.
- ¹⁷ And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain at the end of the set, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain of the other set.
- ¹⁸ And he made fifty hooks of nechoshet to attach the Ohel together, that it might be echad *(one)*.
- ¹⁹ And he made a Mikhseh (*Cover*) for the Ohel of dyed red ram skin, and a tachash hide Mikhseh above that.
- ²⁰ And he made kerashim *(planks)* for the Mishkan of acacia wood, standing erect.
- ²¹ The length of a keresh (*plank*) was ten cubits, and the width of a keresh one cubit and a half.
- ²² One keresh had two yadot *(projections, tenons)*, equally distant one from another; thus did he make for all the kerashim of the Mishkan.
- ²³ And he made kerashim (*frames*) for the Mishkan; twenty kerashim for the negev (*south*) side southward;
- ²⁴ And arba'im sockets of kesef he made under the twenty kerashim; two sockets under one keresh for its two tenons, and two sockets under another keresh for its two tenons.
- ²⁵ And for the other side of the Mishkan, which is toward the north, he made twenty kerashim,
- ²⁶ And their arba'im sockets of kesef; two sockets under one keresh, and two sockets under another keresh.
- ²⁷ And for the sides of the Mishkan westward he made six kerashim.
- ²⁸ And two kerashim made he for the corners of the Mishkan in the back.

- ²⁹ And they were doubled at the bottom, and joined together; at the top thereof, there was one ring; thus he did to both of them in both the corners.
- ³⁰ And there were eight kerashim; and their sockets were sixteen sockets of kesef, under every keresh two sockets.
- ³¹ And he made crossbars of acacia wood; five for the kerashim of the one side of the Mishkan,
- ³² And five crossbars for the kerashim of the other side of the Mishkan, and five crossbars for the kerashim of the Mishkan for the sides westward.
- ³³ And he made the middle crossbar to extend within the kerashim from the one end to the other.
- ³⁴ And he overlaid the kerashim with zahav, and made their rings of zahav to be housing for the crossbars, and overlaid the crossbars with zahav.
- ³⁵ And he made a Parochet† of turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted fine linen; with keruvim made he it of artistic embroidery.
- ³⁶ And he made thereunto four ammudim of acacia wood, and overlaid them with zahav; their hooks were of zahav; and he cast for them four sockets of kesef.
- ³⁷ And he made a Masach for the petach of the Ohel of turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted fine linen, the work of artistic embroidery;
- ³⁸ And the five ammudim of it with their hooks; and he overlaid their tops and their bands with zahav; but their five sockets were of nechoshet.

[†] **36:35** See Mk 15:38

- ¹ And Betzalel made the Aron of acacia wood; two cubits and a half was the length of it, and a cubit and a half the width of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it;
- ² And he overlaid it with zahav tahor within and without, and made a crown of zahav all around.
- ³ And he cast for it four rings of zahav, to be set by the four corners of it; even two rings upon the one side of it, and two rings upon the other side of it.
- ⁴ And he made carrying poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with zahav.
- ⁵ And he put the carrying poles into the rings on the sides of the Aron, to bear the Aron.
- ⁶ And he made the Kapporet of zahav tahor; two cubits and a half was the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the width thereof.
- ⁷ And he made two keruvim of zahav, hammered out of one piece made he them, on the two ends of the Kapporet;
- ⁸ One keruv on the end on this side, and another keruv on the other end on that side; from the Kapporet made he the keruvim on the two ends thereof.
- ⁹ And the keruvim spread out their wings on high, and covered with their wings over the Kapporet, with their faces one to another; even toward the Kapporet were the faces of the keruvim.
- ¹⁰ And he made the Shulchan of acacia wood: two cubits was the length thereof, and a cubit the width thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof;

¹¹ And he overlaid it with zahav tahor, and made thereunto a crown of zahav all around.

- ¹² Also he made thereunto a misgeret (moulding, rim) of a handbreadth all around; and made a crown of zahav for the misgeret thereof all around.
- ¹³ And he cast for it four rings of zahav, and put the rings upon the four corners of its four legs thereof.
- ¹⁴ Over against the misgeret were the rings, the housing for the carrying poles to bear the Shulchan.
- ¹⁵ And he made the carrying poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with zahav, to bear the Shulchan.
- ¹⁶ And he made the utensils which were upon the Shulchan, its dishes, and its pans, and its bowls, and its pitchers for pouring nesekh, of zahay tahor.
- ¹⁷ And he made the Menorah of zahav tahor; of hammered-out work made he the Menorah; its base and its shaft, and its cups, its knobs, its flowers, were of the same;
- ¹⁸ And six branches going out of the sides thereof; three branches of the Menorah out of the one side thereof, and three branches of the Menorah out of the other side thereof;
- ¹⁹ Shloshah cups made like almonds in one branch, a knob and a flower; and three cups made like almonds in another branch, a knob and a flower; so throughout the six branches going out of the Menorah.
- ²⁰ And in the Menorah were four cups made like almonds, its knobs, and its flowers;

- ²¹ And a knob under two branches of the same, and a knob under two branches of the same, and a knob under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it.
- ²² Their knobs and their branches were of the same: all of it was one hammered-out work of zahav tahor.

23 And he made its seven nerot (*lamps*), and its

tongs, and its spoons, of zahav tahor.

²⁴ Of a talent of zahav tahor made he it, and all

the utensils thereof.

²⁵ And he made the Mizbe'ach HaKetoret of acacia wood; the length of it was a cubit, and the width of it a cubit; it was ravu'a (*square*, *foursquare*); and two cubits was the height of it; from it were its karenot.

²⁶ And he overlaid it with zahav tahor, both the top of it, and the sides thereof all around, and the karenot of it; also he made unto it a crown of

zahay all around.

²⁷ And he made two rings of zahav for it under the crown thereof, by the two corners of it, upon the two sides thereof, to be housing for the carrying poles to bear it withal.

²⁸ And he made the carrying poles of acacia

wood, and overlaid them with zahav.

²⁹ And he made the Shemen HaMishchah Kodesh, and the ketoret spices, tahor, according to the artistic work of a perfumer.

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¹ And he made the Mizbe'ach HaOlah of acacia wood; five cubits was the length thereof, and five cubits the width thereof; it was ravu'a (square, foursquare); and three cubits the height thereof.

- ² And he made the karenot thereof on the four corners of it; the karenot thereof were from it; and he overlaid it with nechoshet.
- ³ And he made all the Klei HaMizbe'ach, the pots, and the shovels, and the sprinkling basins, and the meat hooks, and the firepans; all the utensils thereof made he of nechoshet.
- ⁴ And he made for the Mizbe'ach a mikhbar (grate, netting), a meshwork of nechoshet under the encompassing border thereof downward unto the middle of it.
- ⁵ And he cast four rings for the four ends of the mikhbar of nechoshet, to be housing for the carrying poles.
- ⁶ And he made the carrying poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with nechoshet.
- ⁷ And he put the carrying poles into the rings on the sides of the Mizbe'ach, to bear it withal; he made the Mizbe'ach hollow with luchot.
- ⁸ And he made the Kiyor of nechoshet, and the stand of it of nechoshet, of the mirrors of the tzve'ot, who assembled at the petach Ohel Mo'ed.
- ⁹ And he made the khatzer; on the south side southward the hangings of the khatzer were of twisted fine linen, a hundred cubits;
- ¹⁰ Their ammudim were twenty, and their sockets of nechoshet twenty; the hooks of the ammudim and their bands were of kesef.
- ¹¹ And for the north side the hangings were a hundred cubits, their ammudim were twenty, and their sockets of nechoshet twenty; the hooks of the ammudim and their bands of kesef.

¹² And for the west side were hangings of fifty cubits, their ammudim ten, and their sockets ten;

the hooks of the ammudim and their bands of kesef.

- ¹³ And for the east side eastward fifty cubits.
- ¹⁴ The hangings of the one side of the entrance were fifteen cubits; their ammudim shloshah, and their sockets shloshah.

¹⁵ And for the other side. On each side of the khatzer, were hangings of fifteen cubits; their ammudim shloshah, and their sockets shloshah.

- ¹⁶ All the hangings of the khatzer all around were of twisted fine linen.
- ¹⁷ And the sockets for the ammudim were of nechoshet; the hooks of the ammudim and their bands of kesef; and the overlaying of their tops of kesef; and all the ammudim of the khatzer were banded with kesef.
- ¹⁸ And the masach for the sha'ar of the khatzer was the artistic work of an embroiderer, of turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted fine linen; and twenty cubits was the length, and the height in width was five cubits, corresponding to the hangings of the khatzer.
- ¹⁹ And their ammudim were four, and their sockets of nechoshet four; their hooks of kesef, and the overlaying of their tops and their bands of kesef.

²⁰ And all the tent pegs of the Mishkan, and of the khatzer all around, were of nechoshet.

[PEKUDEI]

²¹ These are the pekudei Mishkan, even of the Mishkan HaEdut, as it was recorded, according to the command of Moshe, for the Avodat HaLevi'im, by the yad of Itamar ben Aharon the kohen.

²² And Betzalel ben Uri ben Chur, of the tribe of Yehudah, made all that HASHEM commanded

Moshe.

- ²³ And with him was Oholiav ben Achisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an artistic carver, weaver, and an embroiderer in turquoise, and in purple, and in scarlet wool, and fine linen.
- ²⁴ All the zahav that was occupied for the work in all the work of HaKodesh, even the zahay of the tenufah, was twenty and nine talents, and seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the shekel of HaKodesh.
- ²⁵ And the kesef of them that were numbered of HaEdah was a hundred talents, and a thousand seven hundred and threescore and fifteen shekels, after the shekel of HaKodesh:
- ²⁶ A bekah for every man, that is, half a shekel, after the shekel of HaKodesh, for every one that went to be numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred thousand and three thousand and five hundred and fifty men.
- ²⁷ And of the hundred talents of kesef were cast the sockets of HaKadosh, and the sockets of the Parochet; a hundred sockets of the hundred talents, a talent for a socket.
- ²⁸ And of the thousand seven hundred seventy and five shekels he made hooks for the ammudim. and overlaid their tops, and made bands for them.
- ²⁹ And the nechoshet of the tenufah was seventy talents, and two thousand and four hundred shekels.
- ³⁰ And therewith he made the sockets to the petach Ohel Mo'ed, and the Mizbe'ach HaNechoshet, and the mikhbar hanechoshet for it, and all the Klei HaMizbe'ach,

³¹ And the sockets of the khatzer all around, and the sockets of the khatzer sha'ar, and all the tent pegs of the Mishkan, and all the tent pegs of the khatzer all around.

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¹ And from the turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, they made bigdei serad (*elaborately woven garments*) for service in HaKodesh, and made Bigdei Hakodesh for Aharon; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.

² And he* made the Ephod of zahav, turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted fine

linen.

³ And they did hammer the zahav into thin sheets, and cut threads, to work into the turquoise, and into the purple, and into the fine linen, the artistic weaver's work.

⁴ They made attaching ketefot (shoulder straps) for it, which were attached to its two [upper] ends.

⁵ And the Cheishev (*Belt*) of his Ephod, which is upon it, was of the same according to the work thereof; of zahav, turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted linen; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.

⁶ And they made the avnei shoham (onyx stones), set in settings of zahav, engraved, like chotam (signet ring) is engraved, according to the

Shemot Bnei Yisroel.

⁷ And he fastened them upon the Kitfot HaEphod, that they should be Avnei Zikaron (*Memorial Stones*) unto the Bnei Yisroel; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.

^{*} **39:2** Betzalel

⁸ And he made the Choshen of artistic weaver's work, like the workmanship of the Ephod; of zahav, turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and fine twisted linen.

⁹ It was ravu'a (*square*); they made the Choshen folded double; a span was the length thereof, and

a span the width thereof, being doubled.

¹⁰ And they set in it four rows of gemstones; the first row was an odem, a pitdah, and barekes; this was the first row.

¹¹ And the second row, a nofech, sapphire, and

yahalom.

¹² And the third row, a leshem, shevo, and achlamah.

¹³ And the fourth row, a tarshish, shoham, and yashfeh; they were set in zahav in their settings.

- ¹⁴ And the gemstones were according to the Shemot Bnei Yisroel, Shteym Esreh (*Twelve*), according to their Shemot, like the engravings of a chotam (*signet ring*), every one with shmo, according to the Shneym Asar Shevet.
- ¹⁵ And they made upon the Choshen sharsherot (chains) at the ends braided artistic work of zahav tahor.
- ¹⁶ And they made two mishbetzot (*filigrees*) of zahav, and two rings of zahav; and put the two rings in the two ends of the Choshen.
- ¹⁷ And they fastened the two ropes of zahav into the two rings on the ends of the Choshen.
- ¹⁸ And the [other] two ends of the two ropes they fastened in the two filigree settings, and put them on the ketefot HaEphod toward its front.
- ¹⁹ And they made two rings of zahav, and put them on the two ends of the Choshen, upon the

lower border therof, on the inside toward the Ephod.

- and put them on the two kitfot HaEphod on the bottom, toward the front thereof, opposite the seam thereof, above the Cheishev HaEphod.
- ²¹ And they did bind the Choshen by its rings unto the rings of the Ephod with a turquoise woolen cord, that it might be above the Cheishev HaEphod, and that the Choshen might not be loosed from the Ephod; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ²² And he made the Me'il HaEphod of artistic weaver's work, all of turquoise wool.
- ²³ And there was a head opening in the top of the Me'il, in its center, like the opening of a coat of mail, with a border all around about the head opening, that it should not be torn.
- ²⁴ And they made upon the hems of the Me'il pomegranates of turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, and twisted linen.
- ²⁵ And they made bells of zahav tahor, and put the bells between the pomegranates upon the hem of the Me'il, all around between the pomegranates;
- ²⁶ A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, all around the hem of the Me'il to minister in; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ²⁷ And they made the kuttanot (tunics) of fine linen of artistic weaver's work for Aharon, and for his banim.
- ²⁸ And a Mitznefet of fine linen, Pa'arei HaMigba'ot of fine linen, mikhnesei bahd,

- ²⁹ And an Avnet of fine linen, and turquoise, and purple, and scarlet wool, of artistic embroidery; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ³⁰ And they made the Tzitz Nezer HaKodesh of zahav tahor, and engraved upon it an inscription, like to the engravings of a chotam, KODESH LAHASHEM.
- ³¹ And they tied unto it a turquoise cord, to fasten it on the Mitznefet above; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ³² Thus was all the work of the Mishkan of the Ohel Mo'ed finished; and the Bnei Yisroel did according to all that HASHEM commanded Moshe, so did they.
- ³³ And they brought the Mishkan unto Moshe, the Ohel, and all its utensils, its hooks, its kerashim, its crossbars, and its ammudim, and its sockets,
- ³⁴ And the Mikhseh of red-dyed ram skins, and the Mikhseh of tachash skins, and the Parochet HaMasach,
- ³⁵ The Aron HaEdut, and the carrying poles thereof, and the Kapporet,
- ³⁶ The Shulchan, and all the utensils thereof, and the Lechem HaPanim,
- ³⁷ The Menorah Hatehorah, with the nerot (*lamps*) thereof, even with the nerot (*lamps*) of the order prescribed, and all the utensils thereof, and the Shemen HaMaohr,
- ³⁸ And the Mizbe'ach Hazahav, and the Shemen HaMishchah, and the aromatic ketoret, and the Masach petach HaOhel,

- ³⁹ The Mizbe'ach Hanechoshet, and its mikhbar hanechoshet (grate, netting of copper), its carrying poles, and all its utensils, the Kiyor and its Stand,
- ⁴⁰ The curtains of the khatzer (courtyard), its ammudim, and its sockets, and the masach Sha'ar HaKhatzer, its cords, and its tent pegs, and all the utensils of the Avodas HaMishkan, for the Ohel Mo'ed,
- ⁴¹ The bigdei serad for service in HaKodesh, and the Bigdei Hakodesh for Aharon the kohen, and the garments of his banim, to minister in the kohen's office.
- ⁴² According to all that HASHEM commanded Moshe, so the Bnei Yisroel did kol haAvodah.
- ⁴³ And Moshe did inspect all the work, and, hinei, they had done it as HASHEM had commanded, even so had they done it; vayevarech otam Moshe (and Moshe blessed them).

- ¹ And HASHEM spoke unto Moshe, saying,
- ² On the first day of the first month shalt thou set up the Mishkan Ohel Mo'ed.
- ³ And thou shalt place therein the Aron HaEdut, and thou shalt cover so as to screen the Aron with the Parochet.
- ⁴ And thou shalt bring in the Shulchan, and set in order the things that are to be set in order upon it; and thou shalt bring in the Menorah, and kindle the Nerot thereof.
- ⁵ And thou shalt place the Mizbe'ach Hazahav L'Ketoret before the Aron HaEdut, and set up the Masach HaPetach LaMishkan.

⁶ And thou shalt set the Mizbe'ach HaOlah before the Petach Mishkan Ohel Mo'ed.

⁷ And thou shalt set the Kiyor between the Ohel Mo'ed and the Mizbe'ach, and shalt place mayim

therein.

- ⁸ And thou shalt set up the khatzer *(court)* all around, and hang up the Masach Sha'ar Hakhatzer.
- ⁹ And thou shalt take the Shemen HaMishchah, and anoint the Mishkan, and all that is therein, and shalt set it apart as kodesh, and all the utensils thereof; and it shall be kodesh.
- ¹⁰ And thou shalt anoint the Mizbe'ach HaOlah, and all its utensils, and set apart as kodesh the Mizbe'ach: and it shall be Mizbe'ach kodesh kodashim.
- ¹¹ And thou shalt anoint the Kiyor and its Stand, and set it apart as kodesh.
- ¹² And thou shalt bring near Aharon and his banim unto the Petach Ohel Mo'ed, and immerse them with mayim.
- ¹³ And thou shalt dress Aharon with the Bigdei Hakodesh, and anoint him, and set him apart as kodesh; that he may minister unto Me in the kohen's office.
 - 14 And thou shalt bring near his banim, and

dress them with kuttanot:

- ¹⁵ And thou shalt anoint them, as thou didst anoint their av, that they may minister unto Me in the kohen's office: for their anointing shall surely be for them a kehunat olam throughout their dorot.
- ¹⁶ Thus did Moshe; according to all that HASHEM commanded him, so did he.

- ¹⁷ And it came to pass in the first month in the second year, on the first day of the month, that the Mishkan was erected.
- ¹⁸ And Moshe erected the Mishkan, and fastened its sockets, and set up the kerashim thereof, and put in the crossbars thereof, and set up its ammudim.

¹⁹ And he spread the Ohel over the Mishkan, and put the Mikhseh of the Ohel on it from above; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.

- ²⁰ And he took and placed HaEdut (*The Testimony*),* into HaAron, and set the carrying poles on the Aron, and put the Kapporet upon the Aron from above:
- ²¹ And he brought the Aron into the Mishkan, and set up the Parochet HaMasach, and shielded with a covering over the Aron HaEdut; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ²² And he put the Shulchan in the Ohel Mo'ed, upon the north side of the Mishkan, outside the Parochet.

²³ And he set the Lechem in order upon it before HASHEM; as HASHEM had commanded Moshe.

- ²⁴ And he put the Menorah in the Ohel Mo'ed, opposite the Shulchan, on the south side of the Mishkan.
- ²⁵ And he set up the nerot *(lamps)* before HASHEM; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ²⁶ And he put the Mizbe'ach Hazahav in the Ohel Mo'ed before the Parochet;
- ²⁷ And he burned ketoret spices thereon; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.

^{* 40:20} i.e., the Stone Tablets of the Ten Commandments

- ²⁸ And he set up the Masach HaPetach LaMishkan (*Curtain of the Entrance of the Tabernacle*).
- ²⁹ And he put the Mizbe'ach HaOlah at the Petach Mishkan Ohel Mo'ed, and offered upon it the olah *(burnt offering)* and the minchah; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ³⁰ And he set the Kiyor between the Ohel Mo'ed and the Mizbe'ach, and put mayim there, to wash withal.
- ³¹ And Moshe and Aharon and his banim washed their hands and their feet thereat;
- ³² When they went into the Ohel Mo'ed, and when they came near unto the Mizbe'ach, they washed; as HASHEM commanded Moshe.
- ³³ And he erected the khatzer (courtyard) all around the Mishkan and the Mizbe'ach, and set up the Masach Sha'ar HaKhatzer. So Moshe finished the work.
- ³⁴ Then the Anan covered the Ohel Mo'ed, and the Kavod HASHEM filled the Mishkan.
- ³⁵ And Moshe was not able to enter into the Ohel Mo'ed, because the [Shekinah] cloud abode thereon, and the Kavod HASHEM filled the Mishkan.
- ³⁶ And when the Anan was taken up from over the Mishkan, the Bnei Yisroel went onward in all their journeys;
- ³⁷ But if the Anan were not taken up, then they journeyed not till the day that it was taken up.
- ³⁸ For the Anan HASHEM was upon the Mishkan by day, and Eish was on it by night, in the sight of

all the Bais Yisroel, throughout all their journeys.†

[†] **40:38** The Theme of gracious, unmerited Deliverance and Salvation for an *Am Kesheh Oref* (Obstinate Stiffnecked People) has been presented in the Second Book of Moses.

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