

NATZARIM YAHSHUA FAMILY FELLOWSHIP Weekly Teen Torah

Parsha Ekev "Conseauence" Deuteronomy/Devarim 7:12-11:25

Training our youth to be sons and daughters of the commandments.

### "If you love me, keep my commandments." Yashua (John 14:15)

# PORTION IN A NUTSHELL

## EKEV (CONSEQUENCE)

Because His people listen to the rules and keep and do them, Yahweh our Elohim will keep the covenant and steadfast love for them that he swore to our forefathers. He will love and bless us. He will multiply us and bless the fruit of our womb and our ground. We shall be blessed above all peoples. He will not put the diseases on us that were seen in Mitsrayim (Egypt). He will put diseases on all who hate Israel. Israel must not serve the gods of other people. Yahweh instructed the people not to be fearful of the other nations. They were to remember what He did to Pharaoh and to all Mitsrayim. Yahweh will send hornets among the surrounding nations so that the nations will hide and be easily destroyed. Yahweh will clear them away little by little. No one will be able to stand against Israel. Their carved images must be burned with fire. Israel must not desire their silver or gold. No one may bring an abominable thing into their house. They were to detest and abhor things devoted to destruction. Israel was to be careful to do the whole commandment that Yahweh instructed them to do that day so that they may live and multiply and have the land promised to them. Yahweh told the people to remember all that He had done for them in the wilderness. They were to remember both the miracles and the humbling times. They were to understand that as a man disciplines his son, so Yahweh disciplines His people. When the blessings come to the people, he charges them to remember Him and remember the commandments. Yahweh promised to go before them as a consuming fire into the land of the Anakim and destroy them and drive them out. This is not because of the people righteousness. It is because of the nations' wickedness. Moshe reminded Israel of their rebelliousness, stubbornness, and sin with the golden calf. He reminded them of the times that they provoked Yahweh to anger by being disobedient and rebellious. Moshe reminded the people of his in-

tercession (prayers) for them. It was after that prayer that Yahweh gave the people the Ten Commandments. Then Moshe made the ark of acacia wood to put the tablets of stone into. The time and place of Aharon's death is recorded. Eleazar is made priest. Levi's tribe is charged with carrying the ark. Israel is required to love Yahweh, walk in his ways, serve him, and keep his instructions. They were to circumcise their hearts and not be stubborn. They were to love the sojourner. Their eyes have seen all the great work of Yahweh our Elohim that He did. The people were instructed to put these words in their souls and bind them as a sign on



their hands and use them as frontlets between their eyes. They must teach them to their children and their children's children. They shall write them on the doorposts of their houses and on their gates.

## **TALK TO YOURSELF: 101**

Talking to yourself might seem like a "cup of crazy," but internally everyone talks to themselves. Every time you think of something and form an opinion about it, yup, you're talking to yourself! Have you ever heard someone talking and said, "What?" And they might answer, "Oh, I'm just thinking out loud." **Some people spend a lot of time worrying about things, which speaks fear into their hearts. Other people might spend time thinking about how wonderful they are, which speaks vanity into their hearts.** In this week's Torah portion, YHWH implores us to speak courage into our hearts. Devarim (Deuteronomy) 7:17-19 says that if you tell your heart that the nations are stronger and fill yourself full of fear of them, then you need to change your mindset and remember the amazing things that YHWH did in Egypt. Fear usually means defeat. If a football team goes out onto the field and they have already decided that the other team is bigger and that they will lose, what are the chances that they will lose? The chances of winning are a lot greater if they speak victory to themselves and believe that they will win before playing against the other team. The world has grasped this concept as they speak encouragement to themselves before going to a competition. **While YHWH may or may not be concerned with the outcome** 

of a football game, He is concerned with your success in life. Psycholog- ()) ical studies have proven that people do worse on a test if they believe that they will do poorly. Believing you will fail may cause you to study less, thinking "what's the point?" Believing that no one wants to be your friend, might cause you to be less outgoing and friendly, therefore making it hard to make friends. YHWH wants us to have courage... especially when it comes to doing the things He requires. When you speak to yourself the Words of YHWH, your heart will desire to follow after Him!

- 1. When you say in your theart that your own power caused you to get your wealth, what is it that you should tell your heart? (Deut 8:17-18)
- 2. When you speak to your heart, what should you not say? (Deut 9:4)
- 3. What does YHWH require of you? (Deut 10:12) \_
- 4. Who does YHWH decide is worthy of His wonders? (Deut 10:17)
- 5. Where are the places that YHWH wants you to put His Words? (Deut 11:18)

# DID YOU FORGET?

How quickly we forget! Read Deuteronomy 9:10-12, 16; 10:16; 11:19... DANGER! See how we hear the word of Yah then forget almost as soon as we hear it and go off to sin? The children of Israel heard the word spoken from Yah's lips then they made the golden calf. This is why it is important that we hear it when we sit, when we walk, when we lay down, and when we rise up! Practice constantly hearing the Torah, because we forget too easily.



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PRE TORAH BLESSING [in Hebrew] **Baruch Yahweh** Ham'vorach le'olam vaed Baruch atta Yahweh Elohainu melech ha'olam Asher bachar banu Mikol ha a'min V'natan lanu et torah toh Baruch attaYahweh No tein ha-torah [Amein]



Ephesians 5: 18-19 Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to YHWH.

Matthew 12:34b For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Messiah, which strengtheneth me.

2 Corinthians 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of Elohim, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Messiah.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Joshua 1:9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for YHWH thy Elohim [is] with thee whithersoever thou goest.



# DID YOU KNOW···

**EKEV** in Hebrew means "CONSEQUENCE" and is written in Hebrew below.

### WRITE IT!

EKEV in Hebrew, It is spelled: AYIN . QOF . VET

עקב עהב ALEPH-BET REVIEW

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Read the aleph-bet chart from right to left:

- aleph, bet, gimmel, dalet, hey
- vav, tzion, chet, tet, yod
- khaf/kaf, lamed, mem, nun, samech
- ayin, pey/fey, tzadi, kof, resh
- sheen/sin, tav

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