



Natzarim Yahshua Family Fellowship

Weekly Teen Torah

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

Parasha: Matot/Massei
"Tribes/Journeys"

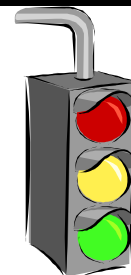
Bamidbar/Numbers 30:2-36:13

"If you love me, keep my commandments." John 14:15

PORTION IN A NUTSHELL

MATOT/MASSEI: "TRIBES/JOURNEYS"

No man can make an oath and then break his word. He must do all that he says. If a woman vows a vow to Yahweh while she lives in her father's house and she is young, and her father hears of her vow and says nothing, then her pledge stands. If he hears her vow and opposes it, her vow shall not stand. Yahweh will forgive her because her father opposed her. If she marries a husband and he hears of her vow and says nothing, then her pledge stands. If he hears her vow and opposes it, her vow shall not stand. Yahweh will forgive her because her husband opposed her. If her husband makes null and void her oath because he said nothing on the day that he heard them, he shall bear her iniquity. If the woman is widowed or divorced, her vows will stand. Yahweh told Moshe to avenge the people of Israel on the Midianites. Afterward, Moshe was to be gathered to his people in his death. Moshe told the people to arm themselves. A thousand men from each tribe went to war. They warred against Midian as Yahweh commanded. They took captives and spoils of war. Moshe was angry because the people weren't supposed to take anyone captive. Eleazar told the people to keep only gold, silver, bronze, iron, tin, and lead. They could only keep things that could withstand fire. They could keep nothing made from cloth, skin, hair, or wood. Yahweh told the people to give a tribute to Eleazar the priest from the things they had taken from Midian. The people of the tribes of Reuben and Gad asked Moshe to let them settle without crossing the Jordan River. Moshe told them that their request would discourage the heart of the people. They agreed to send the men across the Jordan River to fight with Israel. The other members of those tribes settled in Gilead. Yahweh recounted Israel's journey from the first place to the last. Yahweh told Moshe to tell the people to pass over the Jordan River into the land of Canaan. They were to drive out the inhabitants of the land and destroy all their figured stones and metal images. They were to demolish their high places. Yahweh told Moshe the boundaries of their new land. Yahweh explained to Moshe how to give cities within the other tribes' lands for the Levites. Yahweh explained to Moshe what cities of refuge were and where they were to be in each tribe's settlement. Yahweh explained the laws of the marriage of female heirs to Moshe. They were only allowed to marry within their own tribe if they wanted to keep their inheritance but they could choose their own husbands. If they married outside of their tribe, they forfeited their inheritance.



STOP & STUDY

Psalm 37:1-8

Do not fret because of evil men or be envious of those who do wrong; for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away. Trust in Yahweh and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Delight yourself in Yahweh and he will give you the desires of your heart. Commit your way to Yahweh; trust in him and he will do this: He will make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun. Be still before Yahweh and wait patiently for him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret—it leads only to evil.

DISCOURAGEMENT: 101

Discouragement is feeling hopeless or being full of despair in the face of obstacles. The Reubenites and Gadites were afraid to cross the Jordan River and enter the land of promise. Moshe had to remind them what had happened to the last bunch of people who brought discouragement to the hearts of Yahweh's people. Those people were not allowed to enter into Canaan. It's important to remember what you have to do when your hopes have been dashed and there seems to be no solution to the situation. The Bible says "Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but when dreams come true, there is life and joy." (Proverbs 13:12). Setting our eyes on the goals and dreams that Yahweh gives us is a sure way to receive hope and peace. Hoping and dreaming for things that Yahweh doesn't want us to have are ways of ensuring that we become heartsick or discouraged. Sometimes, we hope for things that Yahweh wants for us but the timing is wrong. In Ecclesiastes chapter 3, we read about times. We read about a time for just about everything. Yahweh is the one who controls when events occur in our lives according to his plan. Remember to wait on him.



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Isaiah 40:30-31 Even _____ grow red and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who _____ in Yahweh will renew their strength. They will soar on _____ like _____; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be _____.

Ephesians 6: 10-12 Finally, be _____ in Yahweh and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of Yahweh so that you can take your _____ against the devil's schemes. For our _____ is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Psalms 1:1-2 Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the _____ or stand in the way of _____ or sit in the seat of _____. But his _____ is in the law of Yahweh, and on his _____ he _____ day and night.

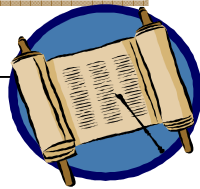
REFUGE!

Yahweh instructed the people about cities of refuge. There were six cities altogether. These cities were places that people could go to receive a fair sentence in cases of accidental death. Read more in Numbers 35.

Psalm 91:9-11 Because you have made Yahweh, who is my refuge, Even the Most High, your dwelling place, No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways.










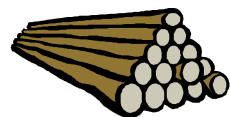
REFUGE (n.)

shelter or protection
from danger or distress.



TORAH CHALLENGE

Read Numbers 31:21-24. CIRCLE THE THINGS THAT THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL WERE ALLOWED TO KEEP.

				
Clothing	Bronze	Iron	Silver	Goat's hair
				
Gold	Tin	Leather	Lead	Wood

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Hebrew: matteh

English: (of the) tribe

Hebrew: Yarden

English: Jordan

Hebrew: Gil'ad

English: Gilead

Hebrew: Kena'an

English: Canaan

HEBREW LANGUAGE

DID YOU KNOW...

MATOT/MASSEI in Hebrew means "TRIBES/JOURNEYS" and is written in Hebrew below.

מטות/מסעי

WRITE IT!

מסעי

מטות

מטות/מסעי

ALEPH-BET REVIEW

א ב ג ד ה
ו ז ח ט י
כ ל מ נ ס
ע פ צ ק ר
ש ת

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.