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Psalm - Psa 131

¹ Adonai, my heart is not haughty, nor mine eyes lofty: neither do I exercise myself in great matters, or in things too high for me. ² Surely I have behaved and quieted myself, as a child that is weaned of his mother: my soul is even as a weaned child. ³ Let Israel hope in YHVH from henceforth and for ever.

Torah - Deu 6:4-7:26

⁴ Hear, O Israel: YHVH our Elohim is one YHVH: ⁵ And thou shalt love YHVH thy Elohim with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. ⁶ And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: ⁷ And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. ⁸ And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets between thine eyes. ⁹ And thou shalt write them upon the posts of thy house, and on thy gates. ¹⁰ And it shall be, when YHVH thy Elohim shall have brought thee into the land which he swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, ¹¹ And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full; ¹² Then beware lest thou forget YHVH, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage. ¹³ Thou shalt fear YHVH thy Elohim, and serve him, and shalt swear by his name. ¹⁴ Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you; ¹⁵ (For YHVH thy Elohim is a jealous Elohim among you) lest the anger of YHVH thy Elohim be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth. ¹⁶ Ye shall not tempt YHVH your Elohim, as ye tempted him in Massah. ¹⁷ Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of YHVH your Elohim, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee. ¹⁸ And thou shalt do that which is right and good in the sight of YHVH: that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which YHVH swore unto thy fathers. ¹⁹ To cast out all thine enemies from before thee, as YHVH hath spoken. ²⁰ And when thy son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgments, which YHVH our Elohim hath commanded you? ²¹ Then thou shalt say unto thy son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt; and YHVH brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand: ²² And YHVH showed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes: ²³ And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he swore unto our fathers. ²⁴ And YHVH commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear YHVH our Elohim, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. ²⁵ And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before YHVH our Elohim, as he hath commanded us. ¹ When YHVH thy Elohim shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou; ² And when YHVH thy Elohim shall deliver them before thee; thou shalt smite them, and utterly destroy them; thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor show mercy unto them: ³ Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son. ⁴ For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of YHVH be kindled against you, and destroy thee suddenly. ⁵ But thus shall ye deal with them; ye shall destroy their altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire. ⁶ For thou art an holy people unto YHVH thy Elohim: YHVH thy Elohim hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth. ⁷ YHVH did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people: ⁸ But because YHVH loved you, and because he would keep the oath which he had sworn unto your fathers, hath YHVH brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt. ⁹ Know therefore that YHVH thy Elohim, he is Elohim, the faithful Elohim, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations; ¹⁰ And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that

hateth him, he will repay him to his face. ¹¹ Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which I command thee this day, to do them. ¹² Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep, and do them, that YHVH thy Elohim shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he sware unto thy fathers: ¹³ And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee. ¹⁴ Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle. ¹⁵ And YHVH will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay them upon all them that hate thee. ¹⁶ And thou shalt consume all the people which YHVH thy Elohim shall deliver thee; thine eye shall have no pity upon them: neither shalt thou serve their gods; for that will be a snare unto thee. ¹⁷ If thou shalt say in thine heart, These nations are more than I; how can I dispossess them? ¹⁸ Thou shalt not be afraid of them: but shalt well remember what YHVH thy Elohim did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt; ¹⁹ The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby YHVH thy Elohim brought thee out: so shall YHVH thy Elohim do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid. ²⁰ Moreover YHVH thy Elohim will send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed. ²¹ Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for YHVH thy Elohim is among you, a mighty Elohim and terrible. ²² And YHVH thy Elohim will put out those nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee. ²³ But YHVH thy Elohim shall deliver them unto thee, and shall destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed. ²⁴ And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven: there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them. ²⁵ The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to YHVH thy Elohim. ²⁶ Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing.

My Commentary and Notes

Stand alone Aleph Tav for Deu 6:5 and Deu 7:12, 18

For an explanation of the Aleph Tav teaching, click here → <http://torahlawform.com/Documents/AlephTav.doc>

Deu 6:5 KJV And thou shalt love **Aleph Tav** YHVH thy Elohim with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.

Deu 6:5

וְאַהֲבַתְּ אֶת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל-לִבְבְּךָ וּבְכָל-נַפְשְׁךָ וּבְכָל-מְאֹדְךָ :

I added the Interlinear (from e-sword) along with the Sh'ma

אלהינו H3068 The LORD יהוה H3478 O Israel: ישראל H8085 Hear, שמע Deu 6:4
H259 one: אחד H3068 LORD: יהוה H430 our God
אלהיך H3068 the LORD יהוה H853 את H157 And thou shalt love: ואהבת Deu 6:5
H3605 and with all בכל H3824 thine heart, לבבך H3605 with all בכל H430 thy God

Here are three references in the Brit Chadasha where Y'shua quotes either Deu 6:4 or Deu 6:5. In Mat 22:39 and Mar 12:31 he quotes Lev 19:18

Mat 22:35-40 KJV Then one of them, *which was a lawyer*, asked *him a question*, tempting him, and saying, ³⁶ Master, which *is* the great commandment in the law? ³⁷ Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy Elohim with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. ³⁸ This is the first and great commandment. ³⁹ And the second *is* like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. ⁴⁰ On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Mar 12:28-31 KJV And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well, asked him, Which is the first commandment of all? ²⁹ And Jesus answered him, The first of all the commandments *is*, Hear, O Israel; The Lord our Elohim is one Lord: ³⁰ And thou shalt love the Lord thy Elohim with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this *is* the first commandment. ³¹ And the second *is* like, *namely* this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

Luk 10:25-27 KJV And, behold, a certain lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? ²⁶ He said unto him, What is written in the law? how readest thou? ²⁷ And he answering said, Thou shalt love the Lord thy Elohim with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself.

Deu 7:12 KJV Wherefore it shall come to pass, if ye hearken to these **Aleph Tav** judgments (to these), and keep, and do them, that YHVH thy Elohim shall keep unto thee the covenant and the mercy which he swore unto thy fathers:

Deu 7:12 וְהָיָה יַעֲקֹב תִּשְׁמְעוּן אֶת הַמִּשְׁפָּטִים הָאֵלֶּה
 וְשָׁמְרָתֶם וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֹתָם וְשָׁמַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיךָ לְךָ
 אֶת הַבְּרִית וְאֶת הַחֶסֶד אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּע לְאַבְתָּיִךָ :

Deu 7:18 KJV Thou shalt not be afraid of them: *but* shalt well remember (shalt well remember) **Aleph Tav** what YHVH thy Elohim did unto Pharaoh, and unto all Egypt;

Deu 7:18 לֹא תִירָא מֵהֶם זָכַר תִּזְכֹּר אֶת אֲשֶׁר-עָשָׂה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיךָ
 לְפָרְעָה וּלְכָל-מִצְרָיִם :

Mitzvot for this Parasha

Verse(s)	Mitzvah Number	Category	Law
Deu 6:4	6	G-d	To know that G-d is One, a complete Unity. See What Do Jews Believe?.
Deu 6:5	7	G-d	To love G-d. See What Do Jews Believe?.
Deu 6:13; Deu 10:20	8	G-d	To fear Him reverently.
Deu 6:16	9	G-d	Not to put the word of G-d to the test.
Deu 6:7	12	Torah	To learn Torah and to teach it. See Torah.
Deu 6:8	19	Signs and Symbols	To bind tefillin on the head. See Tefillin.
Deu 6:8	20	Signs and Symbols	To bind tefillin on the arm. See Tefillin.
Deu 6:9	21	Signs and Symbols	To affix the mezuzah to the doorposts and gates of your house. See Mezuzah.
Exo 23:25; Deu 6:13	22	Prayer and Blessings	To pray to G-d (according to the Talmud, the word "serve" in these verses refers to prayer) . See Prayers and Blessings; Jewish Liturgy.
Deu 6:7	23	Prayer and Blessings	To read the Shema in the morning and at night. See Jewish Liturgy.
Deu 7:3	56	Treatment of Gentiles	Not to intermarry with gentiles. See Interfaith Marriages.
Deu 7:25	315	Idolatry, Idolaters and Idolatrous Practices	Not to use the ornament of any object of idolatrous worship.
Deu 7:26	316	Idolatry, Idolaters and Idolatrous Practices	Not to make use of an idol or its accessory objects, offerings, or libations. See Grape Products.
Deu 7:2	352	Idolatry, Idolaters and Idolatrous Practices	Not to show favor to idolaters.
Exo 23:32; Deu 7:2	353	Idolatry, Idolaters and Idolatrous Practices	Not to make a covenant with the seven (Canaanite, idolatrous) nations.
Deu 3:22; Deu 7:21; Deu 20:3	598	Wars	That those engaged in warfare shall not fear their enemies nor be panic-stricken by them during battle.

Jot's and Tittles for this Parasha

Section	Verse	Description
Torah	Deu 6:4	Enlarged
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This is from Monte Judah



The Enlarged Ayin Deut

The letter Ayin means eye. In fact the Hebrew word for eye is Ayin. Faith comes by hearing not by sight. This is a profound repeated teaching in Scripture. The letter Ayin is in sharp contrast to the word Shema (Hear). The lesson is repeated again with the letter enlarged. At the end of the Shema is the enlarged letter Dalet.

The Enlarged Dalet Deut 6:4

The letter Dalet means door. We have already made reference to the enlarged Resh in Exo 34:14. The combination of the letter Ayin at the start of this verse (the Shema) forms the word for witness (ed). Therefore, it is said that the true witness of God says these words (the Shema). But I think there is another message with that. It is one thing to say something; it is something more to do it. Therefore, a true witness says these words and also goes through that door – he enters the kingdom of heaven. James said, "Be ye not hearers only, but doers as well." Yeshua said that many would call Him Lord, but would not necessarily be those who enter the kingdom, because they did not do the will of the Father.

Source: [Yavoh Magazine July 2004 by Monte Judah](#)

Brit - Mat 4:1-25

¹ Then was Y'shua led up of the spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. ² And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward an hungred. ³ And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of Elohim, command that these stones be made bread. ⁴ But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of Elohim. ⁵ Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ And saith unto him, If thou be the Son of Elohim, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give his angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. ⁷ Y'shua said unto him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy Elohim. ⁸ Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; ⁹ And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me. ¹⁰ Then saith Y'shua unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy Elohim, and him only shalt thou serve. ¹¹ Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him. ¹² Now when Y'shua had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed into Galilee; ¹³ And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim: ¹⁴ That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, ¹⁵ The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles; ¹⁶ The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up. ¹⁷ From that time Y'shua began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. ¹⁸ And Y'shua, walking by the sea of Galilee, saw two brethren, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers. ¹⁹ And he saith unto them, Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men. ²⁰ And they straightway left their nets, and followed him. ²¹ And going on from thence, he saw other two brethren, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and he called them. ²² And they immediately left the ship and their father, and followed him. ²³ And Y'shua went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people. ²⁴ And his fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatick, and those that had the palsy; and he healed them. ²⁵ And there followed him great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judaea, and from beyond Jordan.

Gospel - Act 6:1-15

¹ And in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplied, there arose a murmuring of the Grecians against the Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration. ² Then the twelve called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and said, It is not reason that we should leave the word of Elohim, and serve tables. ³ Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. ⁴ But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. ⁵ And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: ⁶ Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. ⁷ And the word of Elohim increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. ⁸ And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. ⁹ Then there arose certain of the synagogue, which is called the

synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians, and of them of Cilicia and of Asia, disputing with Stephen.¹⁰ And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake.¹¹ Then they suborned men, which said, We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses, and against Elohim.¹² And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him, and brought him to the council,¹³ And set up false witnesses, which said, This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:¹⁴ For we have heard him say, that this Y'shua of Nazareth shall destroy this place, and shall change the customs which Moses delivered us.¹⁵ And all that sat in the council, looking stedfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

Prophecy - Dan 4:19-37

¹⁹ Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was astonished for one hour, and his thoughts troubled him. The king spake, and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream be to them that hate thee, and the interpretation thereof to thine enemies.²⁰ The tree that thou sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth;²¹ Whose leaves were fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven had their habitation:²² It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong: for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.²³ And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him;²⁴ This is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:²⁵ That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.²⁶ And whereas they commanded to leave the stump of the tree roots; thy kingdom shall be sure unto thee, after that thou shalt have known that the heavens do rule.²⁷ Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and break off thy sins by righteousness, and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor; if it may be a lengthening of thy tranquillity.²⁸ All this came upon the king Nebuchadnezzar.²⁹ At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.³⁰ The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?³¹ While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.³² And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.³³ The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.³⁴ And at the end of the days I Nebuchadnezzar lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation:³⁵ And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?³⁶ At the same time my reason returned unto me; and for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me; and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added unto me.³⁷ Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.

History - 2Ch 31:1-21

¹ Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went out to the cities of Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities. ² And Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise in the gates of the tents of YHVH. ³ He appointed also the king's portion of his substance for the burnt offerings, to wit, for the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts, as it is written in the law of YHVH. ⁴ Moreover he commanded the people that dwelt in Jerusalem to give the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might be encouraged in the law of YHVH. ⁵ And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the children of Israel brought in abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and honey, and of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all things brought they in abundantly. ⁶ And concerning the children of Israel and Judah, that dwelt in the cities of Judah, they also brought in the tithe of oxen and sheep, and the tithe of holy things which were consecrated unto YHVH their Elohim, and laid them by heaps. ⁷ In the third month they began to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished them in the seventh month. ⁸ And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they blessed YHVH, and his people Israel. ⁹ Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps. ¹⁰ And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, Since the people began to bring the offerings into the house of YHVH, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty: for YHVH hath blessed his people; and that which is left is this great store. ¹¹ Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare chambers in the house of YHVH; and they prepared them, ¹² And brought in the offerings and the tithes and the dedicated things faithfully: over which Cononiah the Levite was ruler, and Shimei his brother was the next. ¹³ And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, were overseers under the hand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the house of Elohim. ¹⁴ And Kore the son of Imnah the Levite, the porter toward the east, was over the freewill offerings of Elohim, to distribute the oblations of YHVH, and the most holy things. ¹⁵ And next him were Eden, and Miniamin, and Jeshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and Shecaniah, in the cities of the priests, in their set office, to give to their brethren by courses, as well to the great as to the small: ¹⁶ Beside their genealogy of males, from three years old and upward, even unto every one that entereth into the house of YHVH, his daily portion for their service in their charges according to their courses; ¹⁷ Both to the genealogy of the priests by the house of their fathers, and the Levites from twenty years old and upward, in their charges by their courses; ¹⁸ And to the genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, through all the congregation: for in their set office they sanctified themselves in holiness: ¹⁹ Also of the sons of Aaron the priests, which were in the fields of the suburbs of their cities, in every several city, the men that were expressed by name, to give portions to all the males among the priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogies among the Levites. ²⁰ And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought that which was good and right and truth before YHVH his Elohim. ²¹ And in every work that he began in the service of the house of Elohim, and in the law, and in the commandments, to seek his Elohim, he did it with all his heart, and prospered.

Commentary

Ahavta

<http://www.ahavta.org/Commentary%20Y-3/Y3-28.htm>

Commentary - Year 3 Sabbath 28

Deuteronomy 6:1 - 7:26 - (no prophet) - Psalm 125 - Matthew 4:1-25

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Water Drawing Service (for Feast of Tabernacles)

Drawing Out Living Waters

On each of the seven days of Sukkot, the High Priest took a golden pitcher and filled it with water drawn from the Pool of Siloam. It was brought into the Temple through the Water Gate (hence the name), and poured into a bowl at the Altar, alongside the pouring of the wine, during the daily burnt-offering (Talmud: Sukkah 4:9). This water libation was performed only during Sukkot.

The Talmud states, "Why is the name of it called the Drawing Out of Water? Because of the pouring out of the Holy Spirit, according to what is said: *'With joy shall ye draw out of the wells of salvation.'*" (Isaiah 12:3)

Hosannahs during pouring:

All: Hosannah! -- Save us -- for Your sake, our God!
 Hosannah! -- Save us -- for Your sake, our Creator!
 Hosannah! -- Save us -- for Your sake, our Redeemer!
 Hosannah! -- Save us -- for Your sake, our Attender!
 Hosannah! --

for the sake of Your Truth, for the sake of Your Covenant, for the sake of Your Greatness and Splendor, for the sake of Your Glory.

Hoshannah Rabbah (Seventh Day): *Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Yeshua stood and cried out, saying, "If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. "He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, 'From his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.'" But this He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Yeshua was not yet glorified.* (John 7:37-39)

Vazot haMitzvot / This is the Commandment SCRIPTURES should be read first

(Deuteronomy 6:1) "The commandment" is singular - then we read "statutes and judgments", inferring all of the commandments: all are included in "the commandment", that we love Yahweh . . .

The Sh'ma (Deuteronomy 6:4-9) is the Betrothal Contract (see YOM HaBIKKURIM) preceding the seven-day wedding feast (HAG SUKKOT).

(V.4) Many religions have several gods, which may include a god of mercy and a god of judgment. Our one God manifests these seemingly contradictory attributes. After the final redemption, everyone will recognize that Yahweh is One – as we say in the *Aleinu*, "In that day Yahweh shall be One, and His Name One." Then we will understand how these work together.

(V.5) We are commanded to love Yahweh our God with all of our heart. We can find such emotion by studying God's Word, thinking about it, and teaching it – that is what the latter portion of the Sh'ma says. Then we will come to love Him and praise Him. Our desires for food, drink, and all physical gratification can be channeled toward His service. This ancient Hebrew teaching was promoted by the apostle Paul, "*Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God*" – 1 Corinthians 10:31.

We are commanded to love Yahweh our God with all of our soul. This relates to our intellect, what we determine to do. We are to love Him even if it costs us our life. Most of us never face having to die because of our faith. But we are required to give our lives by living our lives for Him. As Paul said, "*Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship*" – Romans 12:1.

We are commanded to love Yahweh our God with all of our strength or resources. This includes all of our money. With every use of our time and money we should be considering prayerfully how we would best glorify our savior.

(V.6) These are the most basic matters that we should be teaching our children, and/or our students, by word and example. These are the things that should occupy our conversation when we are at home, and when we are in public.

We are to rehearse the Sh'ma when we lie down at night, and when we arise in the morning. This commandment is considered the least amount anyone should study Torah in any given day.

(V.10) When we enter that ultimate Promised Land, there will be cities which we will not have to build, wells which we will not have to dig, and vineyards which we will not have to plant!

(V.7:17) At the present, we should not fear the "great" people of this world who promote their own knowledge and abilities. The pseudo-scientists false religious teachers, who would convince us that God is not the creator and ruler of all, should not deter us from our course. ¹⁷ *If you should say in your heart, 'These nations are greater than I; how can I dispossess them?'* ¹⁸ *you shall not be afraid of them; you shall well remember what Yahweh your God did to Pharaoh and to all Egypt: ¹⁹ the great trials which your eyes saw and the signs and the wonders and the mighty hand and the outstretched arm by which Yahweh your God brought you out. So shall Yahweh your God do to all the peoples of whom you are afraid.*"

Matthew 4:

¹ Then Yeshua was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And after He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He then became hungry. ³ And the tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." ⁴ But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God.'"

Deut 8:

¹ "All the commandments that I am commanding you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land which Yahweh swore *to give* to your forefathers. ² "You shall remember all the way which Yahweh your God has led you in the wilderness these forty years, that He might humble you, testing you, to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not. ³ "He humbled you and let you be hungry, and fed you with manna which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that He might make you understand that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of Yahweh.

Matthew 4:

⁵ Then the devil took Him into the holy city and had Him stand on the pinnacle of the temple, ⁶ and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command His angels concerning You'; and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that You will not strike Your foot against a stone.'" ⁷ Yeshua said to him, "On the other hand, it is written, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Psalm 91:

¹¹ For He will give His angels charge concerning you, to guard you in all your ways. ¹² They will bear you up in their hands, that you do not strike your foot against a stone.

Deut 6:

¹⁴ "You shall not follow other gods, any of the gods of the peoples who surround you, ¹⁵ for Yahweh your God in the midst of you is a jealous God; otherwise the anger of Yahweh your God will be kindled against you, and He will wipe you off the face of the earth. ¹⁶ "You shall not put Yahweh your God to the test, as you tested Him at Massah.

Exodus 17:

¹ Then all the congregation of the sons of Israel journeyed by stages from the wilderness of Sin, according to the command of Yahweh, and camped at Rephidim, and there was no water for the people to drink. ² Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water that we may drink." And Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test Yahweh?" ³ But the people thirsted there for water; and they grumbled against Moses and said, "Why, now, have you brought us up from Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?" ⁴ So Moses cried out to Yahweh, saying, "What shall I do to this people? A little more and they will stone me." ⁵ Then Yahweh said to Moses, "Pass before the people and take with you some of the elders of Israel; and take in your hand your staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ "Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it, that the people may drink." And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ He named the place Massah and Meribah because of the quarrel of the sons of Israel, and because they tested Yahweh, saying, "Is Yahweh among us, or not?"

Testing whether God exists, or whether He is with us, is vastly different than a "fleece" – seeking to know what His will is for us.

Matthew 4:

⁸ Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory; ⁹ and he said to Him, "All these things I will give You, if You fall down and worship me." ¹⁰ Then Yeshua said to him, "Go, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.'" ¹¹ Then the devil left Him; and behold, angels came and began to minister to Him.

Deut 6:

¹³ "You shall fear only Yahweh your God; and you shall worship Him and swear by His name.

Matthew 4:

¹² Now when Yeshua heard that John had been taken into custody, He withdrew into Galilee; ¹³ and leaving Nazareth, He came and settled in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali. ¹⁴ This was to fulfill what was spoken through Isaiah the prophet: ¹⁵ "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles – ¹⁶ "The people who were sitting in darkness saw a great light, and those who were sitting in the land and shadow of death, upon them a light dawned." ¹⁷ From that time Yeshua began to preach and say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Isaiah 9:

¹ But there will be no more gloom for her who was in anguish; in earlier times He treated the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali with contempt, but later on He shall make it glorious, by the way of the sea, on the other side of Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. ² The people who walk in darkness will see a great light; those who live in a dark land, the light will shine on them.