



Torah Portion Shoftim

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Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9; Isaiah 51:12-52:12; John 14:9-20

***Deuteronomy 16:16-17** Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses: at the **Feast of Unleavened Bread**, at the **Feast of Weeks**, and at the **Feast of Tabernacles**; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which He has given you.

***Deuteronomy 16:18** You shall appoint judges and officers in all your gates, which the LORD your God gives you, according to your tribes, and they shall judge the people with just judgment.

***Leviticus 23:2** And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying, Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: The feasts of the Lord, which you shall proclaim to be holy convocations, these are **My feasts**.

***Exodus 12:1-3** Now ADONAI spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt saying, This month will mark the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year for you. Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month, each man is to take a lamb for his family one lamb for the household.

***Ephesians 6:12** For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

***Ezekiel 28:18** By the multitude of your iniquities, in the unrighteousness of your trade you profaned your sanctuaries; so I brought fire out from your midst; it consumed you.....

***Deuteronomy 7:21** You shall not dread them, for the Lord your God is in your midst, a great and awesome God.

***Deuteronomy 23:14** Since the Lord your God walks in the midst of your camp to rescue you and to defeat your enemies before you, therefore your camp must be holy (undefiled); and He must not see anything indecent among you or He will turn away from you.

***John 14:20-21** At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.

***Matthew 5:8** Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

***Isaiah 55:6** Seek you the LORD while he may be found, call you on him while he is near.

***Song of Songs 6:2-3** My beloved has gone to his garden, to the beds of spices, to feed his flock in the gardens, And to gather lilies. I am my beloved's, And my beloved is mine. He feeds his flock among the lilies.

***Psalm 145:18** The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

***Hebrews 10:22** Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

***Deuteronomy 4:7** For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him?

***Psalm 27**

(1-3) The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked came against me to eat up my flesh, my enemies and foes, they stumbled and fell.

Though an army may encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war may rise against me, in this I will be confident.

(4-6) One thing I have desired of the LORD, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple, for in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion; in the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me; He shall set me high upon a rock. And now my head shall be lifted up above my enemies all around me; Therefore, I will offer sacrifices of joy in His tabernacle; I will sing, yes, I will sing praises to the LORD.

(7-10) Hear, O LORD, when I cry with my voice! Have mercy also upon me and answer me. When You said, Seek My face, My heart said to You, Your face, LORD, I will seek. Do not hide your face from me; do not turn Your servant away in anger; You have been my help; do not leave me nor forsake me, O God of my salvation. When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take care of me.

(8-14) When You said, Seek My face, my heart said to You, Your face, LORD, I will seek. Do not hide Your face from me; do not turn Your servant away in anger; You have been my help; do not leave me nor forsake me, O God of my salvation. Teach me Your way, O LORD, and lead me in a smooth path, because of my enemies. Do not deliver me to the will of my adversaries; for false witnesses have risen against me, and such as breathe out violence. I would have lost heart, unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait on the LORD; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; wait, I say, on the LORD!

*Acts 13:22 After removing Saul, he made David their king. He testified concerning him: I have found David son of Jesse a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.

*Deuteronomy 8:2 You shall remember all the way which the Lord 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.

*Job 23:10 He knows the way that I take; When He has tested me, I shall come forth as gold.

***Deuteronomy 16:18** You shall appoint judges and officers in all your gates, when the LORD your God gives you, according to your tribes, and they shall judge the people with just judgment.

***1 Corinthians 5:12-13** For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge? God judges those outside. Purge the evil person from among you.

***1 Corinthians 6:2-3** Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is to be judged by you, are you incompetent to try trivial cases? Do you not know that we are to judge angels? How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life!

***Isaiah 9:10** The bricks have fallen down, But we will rebuild with hewn stones; The sycamores are cut down, But we will replace them with cedars.

***Isaiah 26:20-21a** Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by. See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins.

***Exodus 12:23** When the LORD goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down.

***John 10:9a** I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved,.....

***Deuteronomy 20:9-11** When the officers have finished addressing the army, they are to appoint commanders to lead it. When you approach a city to fight against it, you are to make an offer of peace. If they accept your offer of peace and open their gates, all the people there will serve you....

***Jude 1:14-15** It was also about these that Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones, to execute judgment on everyone, and to convict all the ungodly of every ungodly act of wickedness and every harsh word spoken against Him by ungodly sinners." ...

***Deuteronomy 21:10** When you go out to war against your enemies and the LORD your God delivers them into your hand, and you take them captive.

***Deuteronomy 26:9-11** He has brought us to this place and has given us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey; and now, behold, I have brought the first fruits of the land which you, O Lord, have given me. Then you shall set it before the Lord your God, and worship before the Lord your God.

***Deuteronomy 29:9-13** All of you stand today before the Lord your God: your leaders and your tribes and your elders and your officers, all the men of Israel, your little ones and your wives—also the stranger who is in your camp, from the one who cuts your wood to the one who draws your water— that you may enter into covenant with the Lord your God, and into His oath, which the Lord your God makes with you today, that He may establish you today as a people for Himself, and that He may be God to you, just as He has spoken to you, and just as He has sworn to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

***Revelation 21:22,24,25,27** But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. Its gates shall not be shut at all by day (there shall be no night there). But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life.