

**Parashah 26 Tidbit**  
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Today's Parashah is named Sh'mini, which means, eight, and the number eight in Scripture represents **new beginning**. So here, in this Parashah, we see that Yisrael is about to embark on a **new beginning** with the Aaronic Priesthood at the helm.

The thing that absolutely fascinates me about these first few *verses*, where Aharon offers a Sin Offering and a Burnt Offering for himself and a Sin Offering, Burnt Offering, and a Peace Offering for the people, Yisrael, is that **IF** they **OBEY and DO** these sacrifices according to the Words and the manner that were given to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, the Scripture says, **YHVH WILL APPEAR UNTO YOU**, which would mean that the reverse **IS ALSO TRUE, IF YOU DO NOT DO THE SACRIFICE** in the exact manner prescribed by Mosheh, who received his instructions directly from the mouth of Yahweh at Mount Sinai, **THEN YHVH WILL NOT APPEAR ONTO YOU**.

What does that mean for us today? As I have told you many many times before, **IF** we are looking for answers, we absolutely have to look to the Scriptures, for the answer to any question we might have about the Ways and the Words of Yahweh, **CAN ONLY BE FOUND IN SCRIPTURE**, and **NOT** in any of the man made religious or secular doctrines.

In *Exodus 19:9* YHVH said unto Mosheh, *Lo, I come unto you in a thick cloud,*

**WHY does Yahweh come to Mosheh, in the manner that He did?**

*So that the people, Yisrael, may Shema (may hear, listen, pay very close attention to, understand, believe, follow and obey My Words) when I speak with YOU MOSHEH, and so that they BELIEVE YOU, AND THE WORDS OF MY TORAH THAT I GAVE YOU, TO GIVE TO THEM, FOR EVER.*

In *John 5:46* Messiah said, **IF you had believed Mosheh**, (If you had believed the Words of My Father's Torah, which were given to Mosheh at Mount Sinai) **THEN, you would have** (been more inclined to) *believe Me: for he, Mosheh, wrote of Me. 47 BUT, IF YOU DO NOT BELIEVE MOSHEH'S WRITINGS*, (the words of My Father gave to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, the Words of His Torah of Life) **HOW SHALL YOU BELIEVE MY WORDS?**

In essence, Messiah is saying, **IF** you do **NOT** believe the Words of My heavenly Father's Torah of Life, the very same Words that He gave to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, **THEN** you will **NOT**

believe Me, the Words that I speak, for the Words that I speak are the very same Words that My Father gave to Mosheh at Mount Sinai.

*Hebrews 10:8 He that **despises** the Words of the Torah (Law) of Mosheh, (the Words of the Torah that our heavenly Father, gave him), **DIES** without mercy under two or three witnesses:*

Here, the writer of the book of Hebrews is talking to them in the **present tense** and this incident was long after the death, burial, resurrection and ascension of Messiah, and the writer says: the penalty for **disobeying** and or rejecting the Words of the Torah of Mosheh, which he received directly from the Mouth of Yahweh, **IS DEATH**.

Now, **THAT FACT** lines up with what is said in *1John 3:4 Whosoever commits Sin transgresses also the Torah (Law): for Sin **IS** the transgression of the Words of the Torah (Law)*, and Paul tells us in *Romans 6:23 what the result of that kind of Sinful, Torah transgression, lifestyle **IS**; For the wages of Sin, The wages of transgressing the Words of the Father's Torah of Life **IS DEATH**; BUT the GIFT of Elohim (ALL the Words of His Torah) **IS ETERNAL LIFE** through Yeshua Messiah, (who **IS** the Words of the Living Torah made flesh) our Adonai.*

**CAN YOU SEE HOW IT ALL CONNECTS TOGETHER?** Our heavenly Father wants us to **BELIEVE** the **Words** that He gave to Mosheh, which of course **ARE** the **Words** of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, the very same Torah, that Yahweh gave Mosheh at Mount Sinai, and according to Yahweh, **HE WANTS US TO BELIEVE THE WORDS OF HIS TORAH, FOREVER.**

That, my friends **IS** the **WHOLE POINT** of the Scriptures; **FOR, FROM COVER TO COVER, YAHWEH ADMONISHES US TO BELIEVE, FOLLOW, OBEY and KEEP OR GUARD ALL** the Words of His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, the Words of His Torah of Life, **BECAUSE, HE HAS SAID, THAT IT IS HIS WISH THAT NOT EVEN ONE PERSON PERISHES**, and since Sin **IS** transgression of the Torah, and the penalty for Sin, for Transgressing the Words of Torah of Yahweh **IS DEATH**, and since Scripture emphatically states that **IT IS** our heavenly Father's **WISH** that **NOT** even one person perishes, He Commands us to Keep the Words of His Torah, His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, His directives for eternal Life, **SO THAT WE MAY LIVE.**

Please, meditate on what I have just told you, and I am absolutely sure that you **WILL** come to the conclusion that Yahweh wants you to have, and the only conclusion that anyone who reads these verses, **IS**, what Yahweh wants all of His children to come to, and that is, that He wants all people to make the conscious decision, to believe, follow and obey **ALL** the Words of His Torah of Life, for Yahweh emphatically states, that **IF WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE WORDS OF MOSHEH, THE WORDS THAT WERE GIVEN TO MOSHEH BY YAHWEH HIMSELF, AT MOUNT SINAI, THEN, MESSIAH MAKES IT VERY CLEAR TO US, THAT WE WILL NOT BELIEVE HIM**, the Words of the Living Torah made flesh, and the **Words** that Messiah spoke, when He was here on earth with us, were the Words of His and our heavenly Father's Torah of Life. Therefore Messiah is saying that **IF** we do **NOT** believe the Words of the Torah of Mosheh that were given to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, by Yahweh, **THEN** we will **NOT** believe the **Words**

that Messiah spoke when He was here on earth with us, **NOR** will we believe any of the Words that He speaks when He returns as our Conquering King, for Messiah Himself told us, in John, that he **ONLY** speaks the Words that our Heavenly Father commanded Him to speak.

Now the only conclusion that anyone can arrive at, after reading what Messiah Himself had to say, about the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, that is, **IF** they are honest, **IS**, that we must obey all the Words of the Father's Torah of Life. However, I am sad to say, that unfortunately, the majority of the peoples of the world, have chosen **NOT** to believe the Words of the Torah of Mosheh, because, in their finite wisdom, the very same wisdom that Yahweh calls foolishness, they have somehow been lead to believe, that the Words of the Torah of Mosheh have somehow been changed in some way, and superseded by a man made oral torah or that they have been done away with, or abolished in whole or in part. That means that these people have been **DECEIVED BY** the enemy, satan, and unfortunately for them, they have chosen to believe satan's **LIES**.

What they may not realize, **IS**, when anyone, is deceived into willingly choosing to believe satan's **LIES**, then, whether they know it or not, they are actually **DOING AWAY WITH, AND NOT BELIEVING, THE MESSAGE, THE TRUTH THAT MESSIAH FIRST BROUGHT TO US**, two thousand years ago, **NOR** will they believe Messiah's message, when He returns, as our conquering king, for the message that Messiah will bring to us THEN, will be **THE EXACT SAME MESSAGE, that** Messiah taught us, when He was here in the flesh, with us, when He ascended into heaven two thousand years ago, and that message my friends, **IS RETURN** to the Words of My Father's ancient inerrant and everlasting path of righteousness, **RETURN** to Words of My Father's Torah of Life, His inerrant and everlasting teaching and instructions, **TURN, AND OR RETURN TO, AND WILLINGLY CHOOSE TO OBEY ALL THE WORDS OF MY HEAVENLY FATHER'S TORAH, FOR IT WILL GIVE YOU LIFE, EVERLASTING LIFE.**

Just think about that for a moment or two; we have to truly understand that in both the Hebraic and Apostolic Scriptures **WE ARE COMMANDED TO BELIEVE MOSHEH FOREVER**, and that means that we are commanded to believe **ALL** the Words of the Torah of our heavenly Father, the very Words that were given to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, and, we are to have the resolve, the determination, to believe the Words of the Father's Torah, **FOREVER**. However, if we assess what the church fathers of Christianity believe and teach, it clearly shows us, that as far as they are concerned, a good portion of, **IF NOT ALL** of the Words of Torah of Mosheh, have been changed and or done away with in whole or in part, and an assessment of what the Rabbis, the synagogue fathers teach, shows us, that as far as they are concerned, their man made oral torah, takes precedence and or supersedes the Words of our heavenly Father's written Torah, that He gave to Mosheh, in many areas, and as far as they are concerned, their man made oral torah, actually supersedes **ALL** of the Words of Yahweh's written Torah. That means, that they have made the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, of **NONE EFFECT** in their Lives.

Scripture makes it very clear that the Words of the Father's Torah of Life became flesh and dwelt among, and many people of Messiah's day, beheld His Glory, the Glory of the only begotten Son of Elohim, who was filled with our heavenly Father's **GRACE** and **TRUTH** (Torah, *Psalm 119:142*). Therefore, since the Words of Yahweh's Torah of Life became flesh, and were manifested as our Saviour, Messiah, it means, that anyone who chooses to **REJECT** the Words of

the Father's Torah of Life, **ARE** actually **REJECTING** Messiah and His salvation message, and without salvation, they will indeed, be lost forever,

Now you might ask, what will happen to us **IF** we do indeed obey the Words of Yahweh's Torah, His Commandments, exactly as they were given to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, and taught to us by the Prophets of old, and by the disciples of Messiah, and by Messiah's Apostles? Does that mean that we too will see Yahweh? Well, I truly believe that the answer to that question **IS** resounding **YES**, for the Scriptures clearly state, Yahweh **DOES NOT CHANGE**, He is the same yesterday, today and forever (*Malachi 3:6, Hebrews 13:8*).

I am absolutely convinced, that **IF** we willingly choose to Obey His **Words**, the **Words** of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, the very same Words that Yahweh gave to Mosheh at Mount Sinai, by surrendering our hearts, minds, souls and strength to our heavenly Father, in total loving surrendered obedience to His eternal **TRUTH**, the Words of His Torah of Life, **THAT IT WILL SET US FREE**, and you can rest assured, that there is **NO fear** in that kind of freedom, because, our complete **TRUST** will be lodged in our omnipotent Creator, who is our Redeemer, Saviour, Provider and Protector, and He guarantees **ALL** people who willingly choose to believe follow and obey the Words fo His Torah of Life, that **NONE** of the weapons formed against us, **WILL PROSPER**.

However our surrender to Him **MUST** be a willing and complete surrender, based on love, and the knowledge that our heavenly Father loves us in return. Any other type of surrender, **IS NOT** acceptable to Yahweh. We simply have to understand that Our heavenly Father, **IS** after our hearts. He could indeed, by His omnipotent power, force us to obey His Commandments, but that is not who He is; He is a loving, caring, compassionate, and forgiving Father and He wants us to come to Him or return to Him out of love for Him.

Now as we read on, we see that Aharon starts the sacrifices with making atonement for himself with the calf of the Sin or Torah transgression Offering. The blood of the calf was brought to Aharon, and he dipped his finger in the bowl of blood, and put the blood on the four Horns of the Altar, which are located at the four corners of the Altar, and then Aharon poured out the remainder of the blood at the foot of the Altar. What are we to learn from this mandated event?

The Altar is a symbol of Yahweh's ownership, His sovereignty over the whole Earth, and this sacrifice that Aharon has just done, is a shadow picture of our Messiah, offering Himself up, for the Sin of the world. The Four (4) Horns upon the Altar, represent the Crown of a King. Messiah, who first came to us as our suffering servant, will return one day, in the Father's timing, as our conquering King. On His first visit, Messiah poured out His Life for us at the altar of the cross, and conquered death, and He betrothed us to Himself. This is the picture of the blood being poured out at the base of the Altar, for it was poured out **FOR US**, and represents Messiah, giving His all, all His blood, all His Life (*for the life of all flesh is in the blood, Vayiqra 17:11*) **for us**. His life was poured out **FOR US** so that we could have Life, Life everlasting. In doing so, Aharon atoned for his sins and received forgiveness, which is the first step in truly experiencing Elohim.

*Verse 10 But the fat, and the kidneys and the fat above the liver of the Sin Offering, he burnt upon*

*the Altar, as Yahweh had Commanded Mosheh.*

The first thing we are to recognize, is that this procedure, was Commanded by Elohim, Himself. So what does it mean, what do these acts, performed by the priest represent? The fat over our organs is what helps protect our organs; the kidneys, which of course, are the filtering system that keeps us, or our blood, purified, and in turn, it gives us life. What Yahweh is saying, is that, we, you and I, must come before Him totally stripped of all protection, and filter everything through the Words of His Living Torah made flesh, our Messiah, who poured out His blood **FOR US** at the base of the Altar. There cannot be any **SELF** left in us, we **MUST** be fully surrendered, we **MUST** put our full and complete **TRUST** in our heavenly Father's love for us.

*Verse 11 And the flesh and the hide he burnt outside the camp.* This is also a comparison of our Messiah, for He too was consumed outside the camp.

Next, Mosheh slew the Burnt Offering and the blood was given to Aharon and he sprinkled the blood round about the Altar. Since the Altar **IS** the sign of Yahweh's ownership of the whole Earth, **THEN** the sprinkling of the blood of the Burnt Offering, the wholly consumed offering, is for the atonement of the peoples of the whole Earth. Messiah died for all that would make the choice to follow and obey the Words of our heavenly Father's Torah of Life, as He did, and taught us to do, regardless of where they were or are on the Earth, or what their ethnicity is.

Next, they present Aharon with the pieces of flesh of the Burnt Offering along with the head of the animal, and Aharon burns them on the Altar. Again, I ask, what are we to learn from this mandated procedure. The head, of course, is where the mind, the essence of who we are, is located, and we are admonished that we must turn over our wills, our minds, our hearts to Yahweh, and die to self, **IF** we are to be **TRUE** followers of our Saviour, Yeshua our Messiah.

Then, we are told that Aharon washed the innards and the legs of the sacrificed animal, and that afterwards, he burnt *them* on the Altar as well. The innards represents our soul, our essence and the legs represent our daily walk of Life. I believe, that Yahweh is instructing all of us, that we are to **cleanse ourselves by the water of the Word of our heavenly Father**, we are to cleanse our daily walk and surrender our very essence, our whole being to Yahweh. **Matthew 16:24** *If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross, his tree* (since men are compared to trees in Scripture, Messiah could be telling the people that choose to follow Him, **to uproot all of their old ways**, put their old man to death, and **IF** and when they do that, **then** they will be ready to begin the journey to follow in His Torah obedient footsteps, ready to walk on the Path of Yahweh's Righteousness) **and follow or mimic Messiah. Mark 8:34; Luke 9:23**

Next, Aharon repeats the same procedure of the Sin Offering and the Burnt Offering indicating to me that **there is One Torah (Law) for all of us**. We must **ALL** come before Yahweh with our wills fully surrendered to Him.

*Verse 17 The Meat Offering or a handful of the Meat Offering or the Grain Offering was also burnt on the Altar.* The grain, represents our sustenance, therefore, when we burn it on the Altar, we are saying that we **TRUST** that Yahweh will continue to provide for all of our needs. It also

represents bread; and Scripture makes it very clear, that Messiah, ***IS the Bread of Life***, who is to be consumed by us, so that we may be granted everlasting life in the kingdom of Elohim.

*Verse 18* Next, they kill the bullock and the ram, and both of these animals, are for a Peace Offering for the people. The blood of these sacrificial animals is brought to Aharon, and he, in turn, sprinkles the blood upon the Altar round about. That indicates to me that one day, Yahweh's peace will be all over this Earth. For, He is sovereign, and He will make it happen.

*Then Aharon took the fat of the ram and the bullock, the rump and that which covers the innards and the kidneys and the fat above the liver, and they put the fat upon the breast and burnt it upon the Altar.* Here we have the rump and the breast along with the kidneys and the fat, which covers the innards and the caul of the liver being burnt. We discussed the fat and the kidneys earlier, but what does the rump and the breast represent? I believe that since the rump is the biggest muscle of the body, that it represents our strength. The breast is where the heart is encased and protected; therefore, I believe, that by these offerings, Yahweh is commanding us obey all of our heavenly Father's Commandments with all our hearts, mind strength, and soul.

Next Aharon offers the breast and the right shoulder as a Wave Offering, and I believe it is a shadow picture of Mosheh offering the second set of tablets to our heavenly Father, that he, Mosheh had hewn out himself, and they represent his heart, his obedient surrendered heart. We too, therefore, are to offer our hearts in total loving surrendered obedience to Yahweh, and like the second set of tablets that Mosheh presented to Yahweh, He will then write the exact same Words of His Torah of Life, on our hearts, which are the very same Commandments that were given to Mosheh on Mount Sinai.

Next we are to offer the right shoulder which I believe indicates to Yahweh, that from this point on, we will willingly choose to follow the Right Hand of Yahweh and do the deeds of the Father and ***NOT FOLLOW*** our own ways or understanding.

All of these sacrifices point to Messiah, and the incredible love that He, and our heavenly Father have for all of us, and therefore, we must learn to embrace His Ways. Furthermore, ***IF*** we can learn to obey His every Word, ***THEN Verses 23 & 24*** will be our experience also. *Verse 23 And the glory of YHVH **appeared** unto ALL the people 24 And there came fire out from Yahweh and **consumed** upon the Altar the Burnt Offering and the fat.*

Our forefather's witnessed that event, ***BECAUSE*** of their surrendered obedience to the Words of the Father's Torah of Life, His Commandments. Let us therefore, also learn, ***TO OBEY***, as they did on that day, so that we too can experience the presence of Yahweh.

The Offerings all have meaning:

- Sin Offering denotes purification
- Burnt Offering denotes self surrender
- Meal Offering denotes consecration of labour
- Peace Offering denotes fellowship with Elohim
- Trespass Offering denotes a commitment to obey all the Words of Yahweh's Torah

My friends we simply have to learn to lovingly submit our will to Yahweh, resist the devil, which means that we are to rid ourselves of Sin, rid ourselves of any and all transgressions of the Words of the Father's Torah of Life, and learn to consecrate our daily labour to Yahweh, to His service, to fulfill His purposes, so that we can enjoy divine fellowship with our Messiah and our heavenly Father here on earth and for eternity. Amein.

There are three stand-alone Aleph Tav in *Vayikra 9*.

*Verse 5 And they brought **Aleph Tav** that which Mosheh commanded before the tabernacle of the congregation: and all the congregation drew near and stood before Yahweh.*

*Verse 21 And **Aleph Tav** the breasts and **Aleph Tav** the right shoulder Aaron waved for a wave offering before YHVH; as Moses commanded.*

There are also another **thirty** Aleph Tav's that are attached to words with a Maqef and there are **eight** words that contain both the Aleph and Tav letters within them. The number **thirty** in Scripture speaks of the beginning of Messiah's ministry, for Messiah was **thirty** years old when our heavenly Father, through Messiah, did the first miracle of His ministry, the miracle of turning water into wine, at Cana, and it also represents the priesthood, for a priest begins his service in the temple at the age of thirty, and Yahweh has made it abundantly clear, that He wants all of us, to become a kingdom of priests and a holy nation, and the number **eight** speaks of New Beginnings. Therefore I believe that Yahweh is telling us through the use of these Aleph Tav's that **IF** we will let Messiah and His Holy Spirit minister to us, and allow Him to cause us to follow in Messiah's Torah obedient footsteps, we **WILL** experience a **New Beginning** and learn to live Holy lives as Yahweh is Holy. Amein.

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*Have a great Elohim blessed week and may YHVH bless your every thought,  
and your every deed. Shalom Alechem. Amei*