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## **CHUMASH** :: Parshas Pinchas - Shlishi with Rashi

In today's *Chumash* we learn about how Eretz Yisroel is divided. The *Leviim* are counted, and the daughters of Tzelofchad ask for a part of Eretz Yisroel.

**Eretz Yisroel is divided:** Hashem tells Moshe how to divide up Eretz Yisroel:

Each of the people that Moshe and Elazar just counted will get a place in Eretz Yisroel.

The land will be divided fairly so each family that goes into Eretz Yisroel will have the same amount of place to grow things.

Then Eretz Yisroel will be divided into 12 parts, each with the right amount of sections for the number of people that are in the *Shevet*.

The names of the *Shevatim* will be written down on pieces of parchment, and the names of these 12 parts of Eretz Yisroel will be written down on different pieces of parchment. All of these pieces of parchment will be mixed together in a box.

Elazar will put on the special clothing of a *Kohen Gadol*, so he can get *Ruach Hakodesh*. Each of the *Nesiim* will come up, one by one. First, Elazar will say with *Ruach Hakodesh* which part of Eretz Yisroel will go to this *Shevet*, and then the *Nasi* will pick out two pieces of parchment. It will be a *Neis* — they will pick out the parchment with the name of THEIR *Shevet*, and ALSO the one with the part of Eretz Yisroel that Elazar just said! And even more, the parchment will TALK, and say that this part of Eretz Yisroel goes to this *Shevet*!

All of these *nisim* will help the Yidden to know that Hashem is deciding where each person's piece of Eretz Yisroel is.

**The *Leviim* are counted:** Moshe and Elazar count the *Leviim*. All of the *Leviim* are counted, starting from babies just one month old! (With the other *shevatim*, only men older than 20 years old were counted. Only men over age 20 would get a part of Eretz Yisroel, and the main reason for this counting was to divide up Eretz Yisroel fairly. But the *Leviim* weren't counted for this reason. *Shevet Levi* didn't get a piece of Eretz Yisroel for each person. So Hashem told Moshe and Elazar to count ALL of them!)

If we look at the numbers, we see that the amounts of the other *Shevatim* were less than the ones who came out of Mitzrayim. But there are more *Leviim* now than there were before! That's because almost everyone who came out of Mitzrayim passed away in the *Midbar*, except the *Leviim*, Kalev and Yehoshua, and the women.

**The daughters of Tzelofchad:** After learning how Eretz Yisroel will be divided, Tzelofchad's five daughters (Machla, Noa, Choglah, Milkah, and Tirtzah) came to Moshe, very upset. They loved Eretz Yisroel and wanted a part too, but since their father didn't have any boys, no one from their family would be getting a piece of Eretz Yisroel.

Tzelofchad passed away because of a different *aveira*, not because he didn't want to go to Eretz Yisroel. So it's not fair that his family shouldn't get any part of it! His daughters asked that they should get a piece of Eretz Yisroel to share.

Moshe had forgotten the *halacha*, and had to ask Hashem.

*IY"H* tomorrow we will learn what Hashem says should be done!

## **TEHILLIM :: 77 - 78**

Today's *shiur Tehillim* is *kapitelach Ayin-Zayin to Ayin-Ches*.

*Kapitel Ayin-Ches* talks about all of the *Nissim* that Hashem did for the Yidden, from the time of *Yetzias Mitzrayim* until Dovid Hamelech became the king.

In the first *posuk* that talks about Dovid Hamelech, it says "***Vayivchar BeDovid Avdo, Vayikacheihu Mimichle'os Tzon.***" "Hashem chose Dovid, and He took him from the sheep pens." (This is also a *Chassidische Niggun!*)

Rashi explains how Dovid Hamelech took such special care of the sheep:

*While Dovid Hamelech was taking care of the sheep, he noticed that not all of the sheep were getting food to eat! The big strong sheep would run very fast into the field and eat as much as they wanted. Then the older sheep and the baby sheep would come into the field, but there was no more soft grass left! The hard grass was hard for them to eat, so they were hungry.*

*So Dovid Hamelech built fences for the sheep. He put the strong sheep behind one fence, the baby sheep behind another fence, and the older sheep behind the last fence.*

*When it was time for them to go out to the field to eat, Dovid Hamelech first let out the baby sheep. They ran into the field and ate the very soft grass that was easy for their baby teeth to chew. Then Dovid Hamelech let the older sheep come in. There was plenty of softer grass left for them, and they ate until they were full. Finally, Dovid Hamelech let the strong sheep come out into the field. Even though most of the grass that was left was very hard and chewy, their teeth were strong and they were happy to eat it all up.*

Hashem saw how Dovid Hamelech was careful to take care of every single sheep with exactly what it needs! Hashem knew that someone who takes good care of even a little sheep will also take good care of every single Yid! That's why Hashem chose Dovid to be the king of the Yidden.

Moshe Rabbeinu was also a shepherd who took care of every single sheep, and he took care of every single Yid very carefully throughout all of his years of leading the Yidden.

Hashem makes sure that every *Nasi* who leads the Yidden will take care of each of them! Our Rebbe, our *Nasi*, also takes care of every single Yid, making sure that each of us have exactly what we need.

(Here's a video clip that shows this: <http://chabad.org/929769>)

## **TANYA :: Igeres Hateshuvah Perek Daled**

We need to learn about how special a Yid's *neshama* is, so that we will understand what happens when a Yid does an *aveira* (*Chas Veshalom*) and how to do *teshuvah*.

Like we learned before, a Yid's *neshama* is different than a *malach*. A Yid has a very strong *chayus* from Hashem which is compared to a person blowing, which takes a lot of *chayus* from deep inside. A *malach's* *chayus* is compared to the way someone speaks, which uses less *chayus*. A Yid's *neshama* is also special because it has Hashem's name of *Yud-Kay-Vov-Kay* inside.

What do these letters mean?

The four letters of Hashem's name are also the Ten *Sefiros* with which Hashem creates the *Ruchnius* and *Gashmius* worlds. Hashem creates two kinds of worlds: Hidden worlds that are very *Ruchnius'dik* and can't be seen (similar to the world inside the ocean — there are fish and plants and even rivers and mountains underneath, but we can't see them!), and a world we CAN see (similar to dry land, with animals and mountains that we CAN see).

The first two letters of Hashem's name create the HIDDEN *Ruchnius* worlds, and the second two letters create the *Gashmius* world we CAN see.

*In tomorrow's Tanya we will IY"H see that the four letters of Hashem's Name, which are the Ten Sefiros, are also the ten kochos in the neshama of a Yid, which has the name of Hashem inside of it. We will also see that there is a hidden part of the neshama, and a revealed part of the neshama, like the hidden and revealed worlds!*

*We will see later that an aveira stops the name of Hashem from being able to shine in a Yid's body, and through teshuvah it can shine again!*

## **HAYOM YOM :: Tes-Vov Tammuz**

The Rebbe Rashab writes in a *maamar* that *Ruchnius* can sometimes make our *Gashmius* body feel full! We can enjoy *Ruchnius* so much that it's even better than food!

R' Nachum of Chernobyl loved answering *Amen Yehei Shmei Rabbah* (in *Kaddish*) so much, that it made him fat!

*Someone once came to the Rebbetzin in her home after a farbrengen with the Rebbe that ended very late. When the Rebbetzin asked him if he wants to eat something, he answered that he is not hungry. The Rebbetzin replied, "That's not surprising — a farbrengen zetikt ohn, a farbrengen makes you feel full."*

## **SEFER HAMITZVOS :: Shiur #73 - Mitzvas Lo Saasei #355**

In today's *Sefer Hamitzvos* we learn the same *mitzvah* as yesterday again (*Mitzvas Lo Saasei #355*) — that a person is not allowed to act like he is married to a woman without first doing the *mitzvah* of *Kiddushin*, getting married according to Torah.

We learn this *mitzvah* from a *posuk* in *Ki Seitzei*: **לֹא תֵהְיֶה קְדֻשָּׁהּ מִבְּנוֹת יִשְׂרָאֵל**  
The details are explained in *Mesechta Kesubos* and *Kiddushin*.

## **RAMBAM :: Hilchos Ishus**

In today's Rambam, we learn about things a husband has to do for his wife. One *halacha* is that he has to buy her new clothes every year.

We also learn about moving: One *halacha* is that if the husband says that the neighbors are not good people, he can make his wife move even if she doesn't want to. And the same is for her — if she thinks the neighbors aren't good people, she can make them both move away.

## **RAMBAM- PEREK ECHAD :: Hilchos Tefillah - Perek Yud-Alef**

In this *perek*, we learn about a *shul*! In a place where there are 10 Yidden, we need to make sure there is a *shul*. A *shul* has to be treated with *kavod*, and we have to keep it clean — sweeping and mopping the floors!

## **INYANA D'YOMA :: Yud-Beis Pesukim**

In *Sefer Mada*, the first *sefer* of *Mishnah Torah*, the Rambam teaches us the first things a Yid needs to know. These are important ideas like *emunah* in Hashem, and to have good *midos*.

The Rambam says that we should be able to see when someone is a *Chochom* who knows a lot of Torah. We should be able to tell not just based on his *emunah* and how much Torah he knows, but by the way he does regular things. We should be able to see that even in his eating, sleeping, and dealing with other people, he is different and acting in a Torah way!

One of the ways to be like that kind of *chochom* is to know parts of Torah very well! When we know Torah ideas by heart, we can think about them and their messages even when we are doing other things.

The Rebbe says that this is true not only for adults, but also for children!

We are not only connected to Torah when we are in school or in front of a *sefer*. We are a Yid always, even after we leave *Cheder*, and even after the *sefer* is closed! It should always be clear to see that the Torah is our life and fills up our whole day.

That is why the Rebbe gave us the *Yud-Beis Pesukim* and *Maamorei Razal*. These *pesukim* have messages that we can use even when we are doing the regular stuff that kids do!

IY"H in the coming weeks, we will review the *Yud-Beis Pesukim*. We will see how the messages of the *Yud-Beis Pesukim* can make a REAL difference in the way we act, so that whatever we are doing, we are doing it in a Torah way!

*See farbrengen Rosh Chodesh Iyar, Tof-Shin-Lamed-Vov*

## **TEFILLAH :: Shema - Kabolat Ol**

The section of *davening* that comes after *Pesukei Dezimra* is *Kriyas Shema*.

*Shema* is not just a very important part of *davening*. It is a *mitzvah* on its own! It is a *mitzvah* from the Torah to say *Shema* every day.

Saying *Shema* also helps us to keep other *mitzvos*. We learn in *Sefer Hamitzvos* that it is a *mitzvah* to know that Hashem is One, and to be ready to do whatever Hashem wants us to — to be *mekabel Ol Malchus Shomayim*.

We see this in the first line of *Shema*! *Shema Yisroel*, Hashem *Elokeinu*, Hashem *Echod* — “Listen Yidden, Hashem is our *Aibershter*, Hashem is One!”

The word *Echod*, One, actually helps us understand how Hashem is One. The word *Echod* has three letters:

**Alef** (the first letter of the *Alef-Beis*, so its *Gematria* is 1): Hashem is *Yochid Ba’olamo*, there is only 1 Hashem and nothing besides for Him.

**Ches** (the eighth letter of the *Alef-Beis*, with a *Gematria* of 8): Hashem is King over the 7 levels of *Shomayim* and the earth below —  $7 + 1 = 8$

**Daled** (the fourth letter of the *Alef-Beis*, with a *Gematria* of 4): Hashem rules over all 4 directions of the earth — north, south, east and west!

See the Alter Rebbe’s *Shulchan Aruch*, *Hilchos Kriyas Shema siman 61 se’if vov*

## **HALACHOS HATZRICHS :: Geneivas Daas**

The Torah teaches us to be very careful not to trick other people.

It is *asur* to trick others to get more money when they are selling things. This is called *Geneivas Daas*.

The *Chachomim* teach us that it is also *asur* to trick someone into thinking you’re doing them a favor when you’re really not!

For example, let’s say you found out that one of the kids in your bunk doesn’t like potato chips. You want to pretend that you are a nice guy, so you offer him some of your potato chips. You know he won’t say yes, and this way you get to eat the whole bag yourself AND he’ll be extra-nice to you since you offered to share!

Since you really didn’t plan on sharing with him, this is *Geneivas Daas*. He thinks you really wanted to share your snack with him, but you didn’t.

Tricking someone like this is another example of *Geneivas Daas*.

See the Alter Rebbe’s *Shulchan Aruch*, *Dinei Ona’ah U’Geneivas Daas*, *siman Yud-Beis*

## **GEULAH U'MOSHIACH :: Splitting Up Eretz Yisroel**

In this week’s *parsha*, *Parshas Pinchas*, we learn how the Yidden were counted. Hashem says that Eretz Yisroel should be split up for the Yidden that were counted now!

In one of his *nevuos*, the *Navi Yechezkel* tells us that when *Moshiach* comes, Hashem will split up Eretz Yisroel among the Yidden again!

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**Zos Ha'aretz** — This is the land

**Asher Tapilu** — which you should give out

**Minachala Leshivtei Yisroel** — as the *nachalah* of the *Shevatim*

**Ve'eieleh Machlekosam** — and this is how you should split them up

**Ne'um Hashem Elokim** — says Hashem.

The *Gemara* explains that this time, when they divide up Eretz Yisroel, they should do it differently than the way it was done in the *Midbar*. This time, Hashem Himself will give each *Shevet* their part, and *Shevet Levi* will also get a part of Eretz Yisroel, not just cities like they had before!

In *Tof-Shin-Lamed-Ches* the Rebbe said a *maamar* explaining how Eretz Yisroel will be divided, according to *Gemara* and *Chassidus*! In the *maamar*, the Rebbe also tells us the *Avodah* we need to do to get ready for this to happen.

See *Yechezkel perek Mem-Ches posuk Chof-Tes, Maamar Le'eileh Techaleik*

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