



PARSHAH SEASONINGS

BESHALACH - בשלח

Exodus 13:17-17:16

Exodus 13:18

... The children of Israel went up **armed** from Egypt.

חמשים

(*chamushim*)

72 Names of God?

Exodus 14:19-21

²¹⁹ Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them.

²⁰ It came between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night.

²¹ Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and Adonai drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

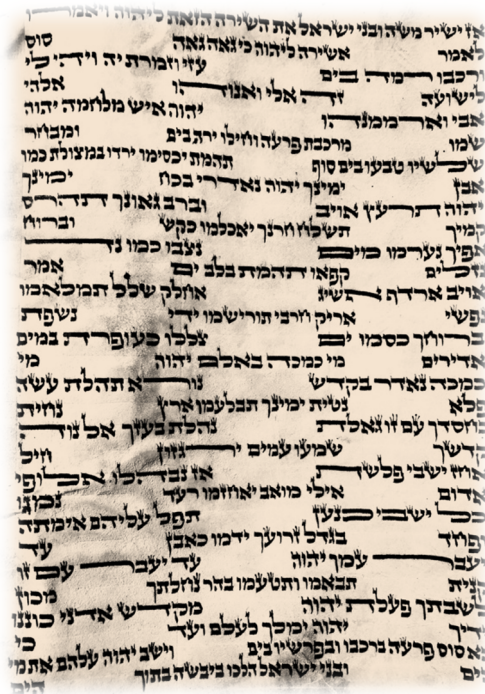
ויסע מלאך האלהים ההלך לפני מחנה ישראל וילך
מאחריהם ויסע עמוד הענן מפניהם ויעמד מאחריהם:

ויבא בין מחנה מצרים ובין מחנה ישראל ויהי
הענן והחשך ויאר את הלילה ולא קרב זה אל זה כל הלילה:

ויט משה את ידו על הים ויולך יהוה את הים ברוח
קדים עזה כל הלילה וישם את הים לחרבה ויבקעו המים:

Exodus 14:22

And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, **the waters became a wall to them** on their right hand and on their left.



The Song of the Sea (Exodus 15)

Exodus 15:25

And he cried to Adonai, and Adonai showed him a tree, and he threw it into the water, and the water became **sweet**. There Adonai made for them a statute and a rule, and there He **tested** them.

מתק
(matok)

ת = "cross"

מק
(mak)
"putrification, rottenness"

Exodus 16:4

Then Adonai said to Moses, “Behold, I am about to rain bread from heaven for you, and the people shall go out and gather a day’s **portion** every day, that **I may test them**, whether they will walk in My Torah or not.”

דבר
(*devar*)
“word”

אנסנו
(*anasenu*)

נס
(*neis*)
“to raise up”
“miracle”

Exodus 16:16

“This is what Adonai has commanded: ‘Gather of it, each one of you, as much as he can eat. You shall each take an *omer*, according to the number of the persons that each of you has in his tent.’”

זה הדבר אשר צוה יהוה לקטו ממנו איש לפי אכלו עמר
לגלגלת מספר נפשותיכם איש לאשר באהלו תקחו:

(First verse to contain all 22 letters of the Hebrew alphabet.)

Exodus 17:8 -9

Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim. So Moses said to **Joshua**, “Choose for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.”

1st mention

Exodus 17:15

And Moses built an altar and called the name of it, **Adonai Is My Banner**.

יהוה נסי
(*Adonai Nisi*)

REFERENCES:

Ephesians 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God.

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

1 Samuel 17:40 Then he took his staff in his hand and chose five smooth stones from the brook and put them in his shepherd's pouch. His sling was in his hand, and he approached the Philistine.

Isaiah 3:24 Now it will come about that instead of sweet perfume there will be putrefaction [מק, mak] ...

QUOTES:

"The Torah was given solely to those who eat manna." (R' Jacob ben Asher, 1269-1343)

"A test is G-d's way of saying: You're ready for the next level"... "When you search for G-d and encounter an obstacle, do not try to avoid it or seek to go around (or even over) it, for G-d Himself is to be found within that very obstacle." (Mendel Kalmenson, from *People of the Word*)