



MISHPATIM (JUDGMENTS)

“613 Commandments”

PARASHA 18 – EXODUS / SHEMOT 21:1 – 24:18

Exodus/Shemot 24:1-11

¹ Then He said to Moses, “Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu and seventy of the elders of Israel, and you shall worship at a distance. ² Moses alone, however, shall come near to the LORD, but they shall not come near, nor shall the people come up with him. ³ Then Moses came and recounted to the people all the words of the LORD and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice and said, ‘All the words which the LORD has spoken we will do!’ ⁴ Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. Then he arose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain with twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel. ⁵ He sent young men of the sons of Israel, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as peace offerings to the LORD. ⁶ Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and the other half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar. ⁷ Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, ‘All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient!’ ⁸ So Moses took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, ‘Behold the blood of the covenant, which the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words.’ ⁹ Then Moses went up with Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, ¹⁰ and they saw the God of Israel; and under His feet there appeared to be a pavement of sapphire, as clear as the sky itself. ¹¹ Yet He did not stretch out His hand against the nobles of the sons of Israel; and they saw God, and they ate and drank.



Let’s Learn Hebrew

Our Hebrew words this week are the singular and plural words for commandment and commandments.

Mitzvah - Commandment

Mitzvot—Commandments

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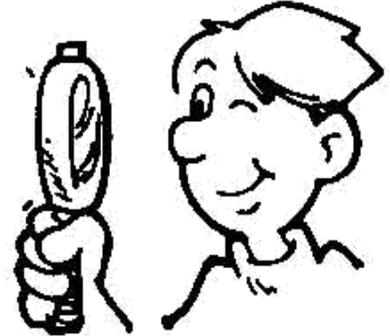
מִצְוֹת

Mattityahu/Matthew 5:38-40

“You have heard that our fathers were told, Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I tell you not to stand up against someone who does you wrong. On the contrary, if someone hits you on the right cheek, let him hit you on the left cheek too! If someone wants to sue you for your shirt, let him have your coat as well!”

Questions

- How many commandments are found in the Torah?
 - 2
 - 10
 - 613
- Fill in the Blanks; Then He said to Moses, "Come up to the LORD, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu and _____ of the elders of Israel, and you shall _____ at a distance. (Exodus 24:1)
- How many negative commandments are in the Torah?
 - 365
 - 10
 - 2
- Circle the Correct Words: ... All the people answered with one voice and said, 'All the words which the LORD has **(WRITTEN/SPOKEN)** we will do !' (Exodus 24:3)
- Fill in the Blanks: Moses wrote down all the words of the LORD. Then he arose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain with _____ pillars for the _____ tribes of Israel. (Exodus 24:4)
- How many positive commandments are found in the Torah?
 - 10
 - 248
 - 144
- Fill in the Blanks: Then he took the book of the _____ and read it in the hearing of the people ; and they said, 'All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be _____ !' (Exodus 24:7)
- Circle the Correct Words: "... and they saw the God of Israel ; and under His feet there appeared to be a pavement of (RUBY/SAPPHIRE), as clear as the sky itself. (Exodus 24:10)
- Yet He did not stretch out His hand against the nobles of the sons of Israel ; and they saw God, and they ate and drank. (Exodus 24:1)



TRUE or FALSE

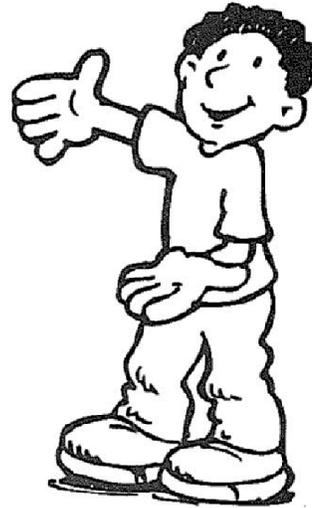
Exodus 24:7

Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people ; and they said, All that the LORD has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient!

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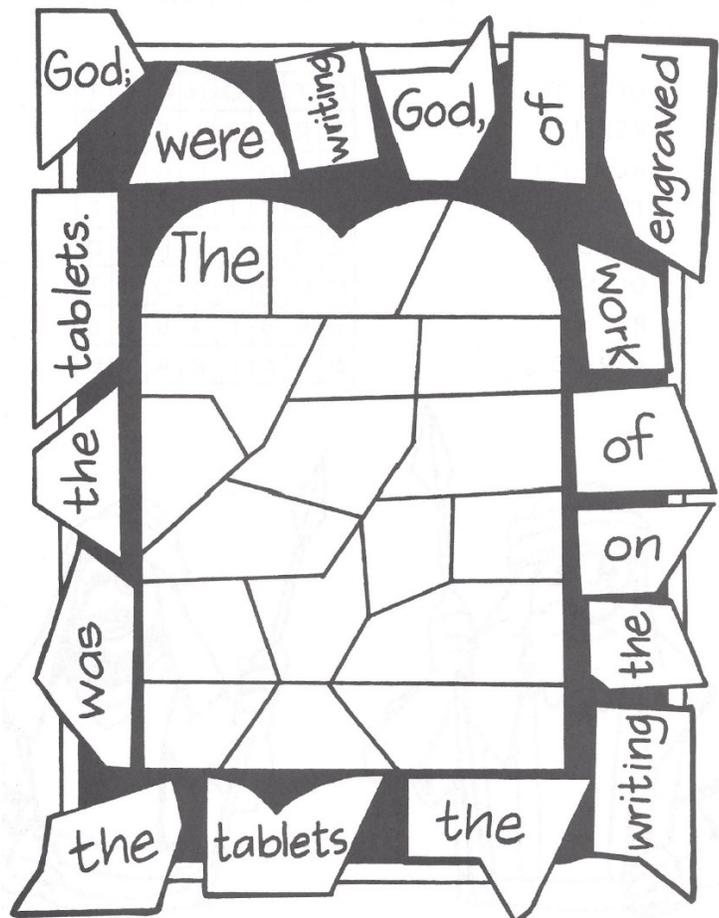
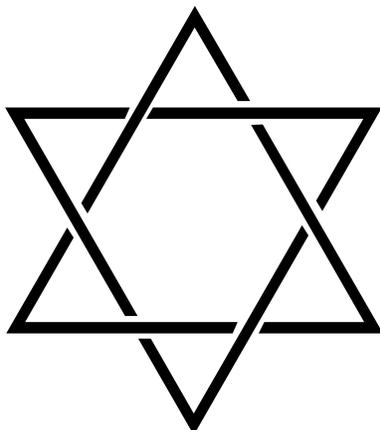
Beware of Imitations

Is it possible to have a substitute for God? Color in each box where the answer does not equal 24 to see what God says in Exodus 20:3.



Written in Stone

Find the shape on the outside of the puzzle that matches a shape in the tablet. Write the word from that shape on the matching shape. Read Exodus 32: 1-6, 15-20 .

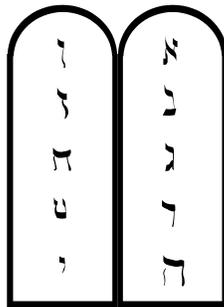


The Crossword Puzzle

Complete the puzzle using the clues shown below.

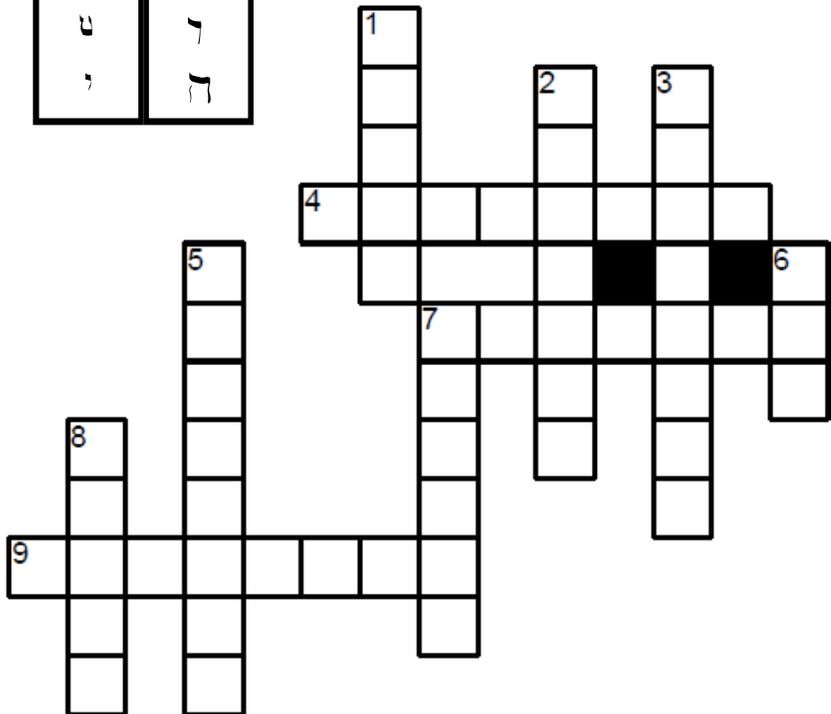
Across

- 4. There are 365 of this type of commandments?
- 7. How many Elders went up to the mountain with Moses?
- 9. There are 248 of this type of commandments?



Down

- 1. Who was given the Ten Commandments?
- 2. The Hebrew word for commandment
- 3. Then he took the book of the _____ and read it in the hearing of the people ... (Exodus 24:7)
- 5. What was the color of the pavement that the LORD's feet were on?
- 6. Eye for _____ and tooth for tooth (Matthew 5:38)
- 7. All that the LORD has _____ we will do, and we will be obedient! (Exodus 24:7)
- 8. What did Moses sprinkle on the people?



The 613 Commandments

In the Torah there are many, many commandments or Mitzvot. Actually there are 613 commandments. That is a lot! There are 365 negative commandments and 248 positive commandments. The negative commandments are things we should not do or “You shall not”. For example, “You shall not steal”. Positive commandments are the thing we should do or “You shall”. For example, “Honor your father and mother”. God gives us these commandments so that we know how to act. Actually, it is that way we say we love God.

God had Moses write down the commandments because they were important. When people get married or buy a car, they write the agreement down on a piece of paper. The commandments are like an agreement or promise between the LORD and us. If we obey and do the commandments of God we will receive many, many blessings! However, if we disobey or ignore the LORD's commandments, there will be no blessing only punishment.

Remember:

- 365 Negative Commandments
- 248 Positive Commandments