

Understanding YAH's Likes and dislikes

23 Pekudei (יְקוּדֵי) – Hebrew for "amounts of," or "inventory of"

Torah: Exodus 38:21-40:3

Haftarah: L Kings 7:51-8:21





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CHAPTER 39:1-31 - Priestly Garments:



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CHAPTER 40:1-3—Setting up the Tabernacle

We have now come to the final Torah portion in Shemoth (Exodus) and we begin this last portion of Shemoth by taking a look at the inventory of what was collected.

This Torah portion is called פְּקוּבִי pekudei, which comes from the root word פְּקוֹד paqad(paw-kad') Strong's 6485 and can carry the meaning of appointments, musterings, expenses - that is the numbering of things, records, assignments',

So, in verse 21, when we see the phrase, "these were the appointments of the Dwelling Place", we see that this section from verse 21-31, actually deals with the amount of gold, silver and bronze that was collected, and is translated in other translations as "these are the records of the Tabernacle".

There was an inventory of the goods that were brought in as voluntary offerings.

Exo 38:21 These were the appointments of the Dwelling Place, the Dwelling Place of the Witness, which was appointed by the mouth of Mosheh, for the service of the Lewites, by the hand of Ithamar, son of Aharon the priest.

Exo 38:22 And Betsal'ěl son of Uri, son of Ḥur, of the tribe of Yehudah, made all that יהוה had commanded Mosheh.

Exo 38:23 And with him: Oholiab son of Aḥisamak, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver and designer, an embroiderer in blue and purple and scarlet material, and in fine linen.

Exo 38:24 All the gold prepared for the work, in all the work of the set-apart place - and it was the gold of the wave offering - came to be twenty-nine talents and seven hundred and thirty sheqels, according to the sheqel of the set-apart place.

Exo 38:25 And the silver from the ones counted of the congregation was one hundred talents and one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five sheqels, according to the sheqel of the set-apart place: Exo 38:26 a bega, half a shegel for a head, according to the shegel of the set-apart place, for everyone passing over to those counted, from twenty years old and above, for six hundred and three thousand, five hundred and fifty men.

Exo 38:27 And the hundred talents of silver were for casting the sockets of the set-apart place and the bases of the veil: one hundred sockets from the hundred talents, a talent for each socket. Exo 38:28 And of the one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five sheqels he made hooks for the columns, and overlaid their tops, and made bands for them.

Exo 38:29 And the bronze of the wave offering was seventy talents and two thousand four hundred sheqels.

Exo 38:30 And with it he made the sockets for the door of the Tent of Appointment, and the bronze slaughter-place, and the bronze grating for it, and all the utensils for the slaughter-place, Exo 38:31 and the sockets for the courtyard all

around, and the bases for the courtyard all around, and the bases for the courtyard gate, and all the pegs for the Dwelling Place, and all the pegs

for the courtyard all around.

This word פְקוּדֵי pekudei is also used in Scripture with the meaning of 'paying attention, observe with care and show a practical interest'.

And what we see from this, is that it is of great importance that we pay attention to the Word and observe, with great care, and recognise, that ALL Scripture carries great and vital importance for us.

This word, פְקוּדֵי pekudei, in relating to taking an inventory, also helps us realise that we all too must give an account to יהוה, for all that He has entrusted to us.

Romiyim/Romans 14:12 "Each one of us, therefore, shall give account of himself to Elohim."

The Parable of the talents, from Mattithyahu/
Matthew 25:13-30, is also a reminder to us of this fact.

The Parable of the Talents

Mat 25:14 for it is like a man going from home, who called his own servants and delivered his possessions to them.

Mat 25:15 "And to one he gave five talents, and to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability, and went from home.

Mat 25:16 "And he who had received the five talents went and worked with them, and made another five talents.

Mat 25:17 "In the same way, he with the two also, he gained two more.

Mat 25:18 "But he who had received the one went away and dug in the ground, and hid the silver of his master.

Mat 25:19 "And after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them.

Mat 25:20 "And he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, "Master, you delivered to me five talents. See, I have gained five more talents besides them."

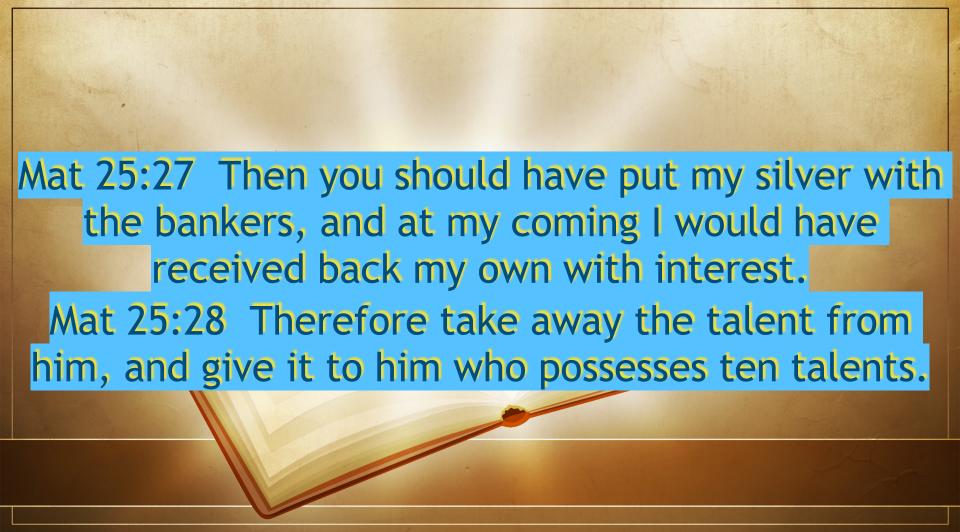
Mat 25:21 "And his master said to him, 'Well done,

good and trustworthy servant. You were trustworthy over a little, I shall set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

Mat 25:22 "Then he who had received two talents came and said, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents. See, I have gained two more talents besides them.'

Mat 25:23 "His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy servant. You were trustworthy over a little, I shall set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.'

Mat 25:24 "And the one who had received the one talent also came and said, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed, Mat 25:25 and being afraid, I went and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours.' Mat 25:26 "And his master answering, said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.



Mat 25:29 'For to everyone who possesses, more shall be given, and he shall have overflowingly; but from him who does not possess, even what he possesses shall be taken away.a Footnote: aSee Luk 8:18.

Mat 25:30 And throw the worthless servant out into the outer darkness - there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

A Lamp Under a Jar

Luk 8:16 "And no one having lit a lamp, covers it

with a vessel or puts it under a bed, but he puts it on a lampstand, so that those coming in see the light. Luk 8:17 "For whatever is hidden shall be revealed, and whatever is secret shall be known and come to light. Luk 8:18 "Therefore take heed how you hear. For whoever possesses, to him more shall be given; and whoever does not possess, even what he thinks he

possesses shall be taken from him."



- 1Co 3:1 And I, brothers, was not able to speak to you as to spiritual ones but as to fleshly, as to babes in Messiah.
- 1Co 3:2 I fed you with milk and not with solid food, for until now you were not able to receive it, and even now you are still not able,

1Co 3:3 for you are still fleshly. For since there is envy, and strife, and divisions among you, are you not fleshly and walking according to man? 1Co 3:4 For when one says, "I am of Sha'ul," and another, "I am of Apollos," are you not fleshly? 1Co 3:5 What then is Apollos, and what is Sha'ul, but servants through whom you believed, as the Master assigned to each?

- 1Co 3:6 I planted, Apollos watered, but Elohim was giving growth.
 - 1Co 3:7 So neither he who plants nor he who waters is any at all, but Elohim who gives the increase.
 - 1Co 3:8 And he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.

1Co 3:9 For we are fellow workers of Elohim, you are the field of Elohim, the building of Elohim. 1Co 3:10 According to the favour of Elohim which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But each one should look how he builds on it. 1Co 3:11 For no one is able to lay any other foundation except that which is laid, which is יהושע Messiah.

1Co 3:12 And if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, 1Co 3:13 each one's work shall be revealed, for the day shall show it up, because it is revealed by fire. And the fire shall prove the work of each one, what sort it is.

1Co 3:14 If anyone's work remains, which he has built on, he shall receive a reward.

- 1Co 3:15 If anyone's work is burned, he shall suffer loss, but he himself shall be saved, but so as through fire.
- 1Co 3:16 Do you not know that you are a Dwelling Place of Elohim and that the Spirit of Elohim dwells in you?
- 1Co 3:17 If anyone destroys the Dwelling Place of Elohim, Elohim shall destroy him. For the Dwelling Place of Elohim is set-apart, which you are.

1Co 3:18 Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you seems to be wise in this age, let him become foolish, so that he might become wise. 1Co 3:19 For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with Elohim. For it has been written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," Job 5:13. ורס 3:20 and again, "יהוה knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are worthless." Psa 94:11.

1Co 3:21 So then, let no one boast in men, for all belongs to you,

1Co 3:22 whether Sha'ul or Apollos or Kěpha, or the world, or life, or death, or the present or the future - all belongs to you.

1Co 3:23 And you belong to Messiah, and Messiah belongs to Elohim.