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PARASHAH 23 PEKUDEI | SHEMOT 38:21 – 40:38

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Torah Aliyot (when you read VaYakhel separately):

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Haftarah: 1 Kings 7:51 – 8:21 (Ashkenazim);
7:40 - 50 (Sephardim)

Brit Chadasha: Luke 22:47 – 24:53

PEKUDEI

It means “accounting of”.

First Aliyah, 38:21-39:1

[Exo 38:21 HNV] 21 This is the amount of material used for the tent, even the Tent of the Testimony, as they were counted, according to the mitzvah of Moshe, for the service of the Levites, by the hand of Itamar, the son of Aharon the Kohen.. - The work that YHWH has put in our hands requires two fundamental ingredients: Responsibility and Integrity. We can define responsibility as the quality of correctly doing the things that have been entrusted to us. And the integrity as the quality of doing the right thing. That is, without compromising what is asked of us to do.

These two qualities are revealed in the accountability of the people for what has been given them to do with what was given them.

Sometimes, we don't like to be held accountable for the things we do or the things we don't do. However, it is necessary and at the same time healthy for each of us to be accountable onto YHWH and onto one another about our actions; **.Qorintiyim Bet [2Co 2:3 KJV] [2Co 2:3 HNV] 3** And I wrote this very thing to you, so that, when I came, I wouldn't have sorrow from them of whom I ought to rejoice; having confidence in you all, that my joy would be shared by all of you.

[Exo 38:24 HNV] 24 All the gold that was used for the work in all the work of the sanctuary, even the gold of the offering, was twenty-nine talents, and seven hundred thirty shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary. - Gold is a symbol of divinity. And this divinity has the maximum expression in the sanctuary that will eventually descend from heaven; the New Jerusalem **Hitgalut [Rev 21:2, 10-12, 18 HNV] 2** I saw the holy city, New Yerushalayim, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready like a bride adorned for her husband. ... 10 He carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the holy city, Yerushalayim, coming down out of heaven from God, 11 having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, as if it was a jasper stone, clear as crystal; 12 having a great and high wall; having twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels; and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Yisra'el. ... 18 The

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construction of its wall was jasper. The city was pure gold, like pure glass.

[Exo 38:25-26 HNV] 25 The silver of those who were numbered of the congregation was one hundred talents, and one thousand seven hundred seventy-five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary: 26 a beka a head, that is, half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for everyone who passed over to those who were numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for six hundred three thousand five hundred fifty men.

- Silver is a symbol of justice and YHWH's grace. It is interesting when we see the construction of the tabernacle, since the bases for the planks of the meeting tent were silver, implying that the foundation of construction is based on justice **Shemot [Exo 26:19 HNV] 19a You shall make forty sockets of silver under the twenty boards;** And planks that represent humanity are lifted and sustained by justice. Hence, it is not the justice that you and I are used to knowing; it is YHWH's justice which exceeds all human understanding. In the same manner that His power, his omniscience and his omnipresence is incalculable; His justice is unexplainable. **[Psa 11:7 HNV] 7 For the LORD is righteous. He loves righteousness. The upright shall see his face. [Psa 37:28 HNV] 28 For the LORD loves justice, And doesn't forsake his holy ones. They are preserved forever, But the children of the wicked shall be cut off.**

[Exo 38:29 HNV] 29 The brass of the offering was seventy talents, and two

thousand four hundred shekels. – Bronze is a symbol of Judgment. Giving us the understanding that in this place, His judgement is to be manifested against all act of iniquity done by the priests and the people. Scripture displays YHWH as a judge. **Bereshit [Gen 18:25 HNV] 25** Be it far from you to do things like that, to kill the righteous with the wicked, that so the righteous should be as the wicked. May that be far from you. Shouldn't the Judge of all the eretz do right?"

Since it is our custom to connect every word in Torah with the Brit Hadasha (The Renewed Covenant), in this case and through these pasukim (verses), we will see with all clarity the Ruler of the universe. A clear concept of "oneness", **Yeshayah [Isa 33:22 HNV] 22** For YHWH is our judge, YHWH is our lawgiver, YHWH is our king; he will save us. **[Act 10:42 HNV] 42** He charged us to preach to the people and to testify that this is he who is appointed by God as the Judge of the living and the dead.

[Exo 39:1 HNV] 1 Of the blue, purple, and scarlet, they made finely worked garments, for ministering in the holy place, and made the holy garments for Aharon; as the LORD commanded Moshe. – We should not only be faithful with the things of high value but also with those that appear of low value. For instance, we should not only give account for our finances but also for all the resources that have been entrusted upon us. Moshe not only gave an account for the gold, silver and bronze but also for all of the fabrics and other materials that were under his

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responsibility. Yeshua teaches us in Luke **[Luk 16:10-11 HNV]** 10 He who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much. He who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. 11 If therefore you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

Second Aliyah, 39:2-21

[Exo 39:14 HNV] 14 The stones were according to the names of the children of Yisra'el, twelve, according to their names; like the engravings of a signet, everyone according to his name, for the twelve tribes” – Everything designed by YHWH has a purpose. In this case we see a tipology through the Kohen Gadol's (High Priest) pectoral and the nation of Yisra'El. It demonstrates the responsibility that he had over the entire nation. The pectoral was a reminder to him who wore it, that his function was to intercede for the nation. Today, we have a Kohen Gadol (High Priest), in which intercedes for us as his nation; **Romiyim [Rom 8:33-34 HNV]** 33 Who could bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Messiah who died, yes rather, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. **Ivrim [Heb 4:13-16 HNV]** 13 There is no creature that is hidden from his sight, but all things are naked and laid open before the eyes of him with whom we have to do. 14 Having then a great Kohen Gadol, who has passed through the heavens, Yeshua, the Son of God, let us hold tightly to our confession. 15 For we don't have a Kohen Gadol who can't be touched with the feeling of

our infirmities, but one who has been in all points tempted like we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore draw near with boldness to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy, and may find grace for help in time of need.

Third Aliyah, 39:22-32

[Exo 39:32 HNV] 32 Thus all the work of the tent of the tent of meeting was finished. The children of Yisra'el did according to all that the LORD commanded Moshe; so, they did. – No work is complete if it is not done as YHWH has ordained it. Without adding or subtracting from his instructions. This is a resemblance of obedience and integrity from those that serve Him. Obedience and integrity are highly expected for those that server Him. As said by Rab Shaul in **2nd Tim. [2Ti 2:15 HNV]** 15 Give diligence to present yourself approved by God, a workman who doesn't need to be ashamed, properly handling the Word of Truth.

This is one of the parameters of supreme relevance for this time as this is the time and season when He, YHWH, is restoring all things (all words) **Maaseh [Act 3:21 HNV]**. This is given in different stages:

1st – what is written will return to the original parameter

2nd – The understanding of His word will obey the original context, its cultural and historical perspective and the idiom in which it was given.

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3rd – All applicable and tangible things will be subject to scriptural truthfulness and fully developed as shown in the mountain.

Shemot [Exo 27:8b HNV] ...as it has been shown you on the mountain, so shall they make it.

It will no longer be man who will determine his own ways or dates. Everything that humanity has added or substituted from scriptures will return to its origin. And so, we beg Abba Kadosh to do it soon, forgiving our failures and constant times we have changed your ways. WE ASK FOR YOUR FORGIVENESS, LOVING FATHER, YHWH TZEVAOT.

Fourth Aliyah, 39:33-34

[Exo 39:42-43 HNV] 42 According to all that the LORD commanded Moshe, so the children of Yisra'el did all the work. **43 Moshe saw all the work, and, behold, they had done it as the LORD had commanded, even so had they done it: and Moshe blessed them.** – In this passage we find two spiritual principles of utmost importance. First is the fact that when we are obedient to YHWH and to the instructions established by Him, we will be blessed as stated in **Ivrim [Heb 13:17 HNV] 17** Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they watch on behalf of your souls, as those who will give account, that they may do this with joy, and not with groaning, for that would be unprofitable for you.

Second, a leader has the responsibility to bless the people who are under his leadership. This is not only the responsibility of pastors and ministers, but for each priest in his own home

to rise in authority with his family and that Shabbat after Shabbat, Moedim after Moedim, he blesses his wife and children declaring the berajot (blessings). One of the most elevated priestly blessing is found in **Bemidbar [Num 6:22-27 HNV]** 22 YHWH spoke to Moshe, saying, 23 "Speak to Aharon and to his sons, saying, 'This is how you shall bless the children of Yisra'el.' You shall tell them, 24 'Yevarejeja יהוה v'yishmereja' YHWH bless you, and keep you. 25 Yaer יהוה panav eleija vijunekka. YHWH make his face to shine on you, and be gracious to you. 26 Yissa יהוה panav eleija v'yasem l'ja Shalom YHWH lift up his face toward you, And give you shalom.' 27 "So they shall put my name on the children of Yisra'el; and I will bless them."

Fifth Aliyah, 40:1-16

[Exo 40:2 HNV] 2 "On the first day of the first month you shall raise up the tent of the Tent of Meeting.– The commentary in the Jumash says the following: "Midrash teaches that all the work of styling the components of the Tabernacle was completed in Kislev". This teaches us that between the completion of all the work concerning the Mishkan (Tabernacle), until it was lifted (completed), three to four months passed. In which points to the fact that all things should be done according to HIS TIMING. And under no circumstances should we anticipate and get ahead of his times. **[Jhn 2:4 HNV] 4** Yeshua said to her, "Woman, what does that have to do with you and me? My hour has not yet come."

And in the same way, YHWH will establish His blessings and promises under the same conditions. **Galatyiim [Gal 6:9 HNV] 9** Let us

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not be weary in doing good, for we will reap in due season, if we don't give up.

[Exo 40:12-13 HNV] 12 You shall bring Aharon and his sons to the door of the tent of meeting, and shall wash them with water. 13 You shall put on Aharon the holy garments; and you shall anoint him, and sanctify him, that he may minister to me in the Kohen's office.

Here we find a very important spiritual principal. And that is that when the Mishkan was ready, that's when He, who was to officiate the services was then commissioned. A mistake done often, is when we jump ahead of His plans and assume roles without being prepared. There is a popular saying "They saddle, before bringing the beast". Today we see many pastors and ministers attempt to assume such roles simply because of theological titles but were never given the calling. They never disciple or oversee the care of sheep (souls).

[Mat 23:1-13 HNV] 1 Then Yeshua spoke to the multitudes and to his talmidim, **2** saying, "The Sofrim and the Perushim sat on Moshe's seat. **3** All things therefore whatever they tell you to observe, observe and do, but don't do their works; for they say, and don't do. **4** For they bind heavy burdens that are grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not lift a finger to help them. **5** But all their works they do to be seen by men. They make their tefillin broad, enlarge the tzitziyot of their garments, **6** and love the place of honor at feasts, the best seats in the synagogues, **7** the salutations in the marketplaces, and to be called 'Rabbi, Rabbi' by men. **8** But don't you be called 'Rabbi,' for one is your teacher, the Messiah, and all of you are brothers. **9** Call no man on the erez

your father, for one is your Father, he who is in heaven. **10** Neither be called masters, for one is your master, the Messiah. **11** But he who is greatest among you will be your servant. **12** Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. **13** "Woe to you, Sofrim and Perushim, hypocrites! For you devour widows' houses, and as a pretense you make long prayers. Therefore you will receive greater condemnation.

All of this controversy lies in the poor attitude they had as we see in verses 1-7. For this reason and perhaps others, that Yeshua rebuked them in front of all the people; they were a group of religious people that wanted to be seen by others. Their mercy was far from a pure and genuine one, displaying a lack of reverence and fear towards YHWH.

Sixth Aliyah, 40:17-27

[Exo 40:18 HNV] 18 Moshe raised up the tent, and laid its sockets, and set up the boards of it, and put in the bars of it, and raised up its pillars. – Once again we reaffirm the functions each one has in the Kingdom. We see here that even though it was Aharon who had been anointed for the priesthood, he was not charged of the building of the Tabernacle, it was Moshe. In the same manner, we see how it was King David's highest desire to see the temple built and all its glory, in Jerusalem. However, it was his son Salomon who did it. And this temple, which was destroyed for a second time, will be rebuilt in the days to come, though these prophetic words seem to be pertaining to the actual physical temple, they are allegories referring to Yeshua Himself. **[Amo 9:11 HNV] 11** In that day I will raise up the tent of David who is fallen, and close up its breaches, and I

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will raise up its ruins, and I will build it as in the days of old;

Seventh Aliyah, 40:28-38

[Exo 40:34 HNV] 34 Then the cloud covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the LORD filled the tent. – After finishing the Mishkan and anointing of the Kohen Gadol (High Priest), the glory of YHWH filled it within His presence. This tells us that YHWH will bless the things that are completed as per his instructions; no more no less. You and I; WE are complete in and through Yeshua.

[Col 2:8-12 HNV] 8 Be careful that you don't let anyone rob you through his philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the elements of the world, and not after Messiah. **9** For in him all the fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily, **10** and in him you are made full, who is the head of all principality and power; **11** in whom you were also circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands, in the putting off of the body of the sins of the flesh, in the circumcision of Messiah; **12** having been buried with him in immersion, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.

[Exo 40:38 HNV] 38 For the cloud of the LORD was on the tent by day, and there was fire in the cloud by night, in the sight of all the house of Yisra'el, throughout all their journeys. – This confirms that YHWH's presence was still with them. When there is true dedication, devotion, obedience and commitment to His service, His presence will remain. Today each of us are as living tabernacles, and have the privilege to be filled

with His presence as individuals. **Yojanan [Jhn 14:16-18 HNV] 16** I will pray to the Father, and he will give you another Counselor, that he may be with you forever, -- **17** the Spirit of truth, whom the world can't receive; for it doesn't see him, neither knows him. You know him, for he lives with you, and will be in you. **18** I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you.

***Jazak,-jazak, ve-nitjazek! –
Be strong, be strong and we
will be strengthened!***

End of the Parasha

The commentaries are in accordance with the established doctrine of EMC SHALOM INTERNACIONAL as a ministry of the Hebrew Roots. The four pillars we adhere to and put forward in preaching –The Only Gospel- is the same message the first emissaries preached with one purpose: The Restoration of the Kingdom of Yisrael. **Maaseh Shelujim/Acts 1:6** and to address the diaspora of the House of Yisrael as written in **Yaaqov/James 1:1; Kefa Alef/1 Peter 1:1**. "ALL THE LOST HOUSE OF EFRAYIM." Rab Shaul (Apostle Paul), the emissary to the Gentiles, was well aware that the main focus of his preaching was the dispersed twelve tribes of Yisrael known as "the lost sheep of the House of Yisrael" (Mello Ha Goyim), "the just among the nations." This is fulfillment of that same promise made of YAHWEH unto our fathers unto which promise our **twelve tribes**, instantly serving YAHWEH day and night, hope to come. For which hope's

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sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews **(Maaseh Shelujim/Acts 26:6-7).**”

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All believers in the Elohim of the Bible have a common denominator and a single desire. And it is to establish a "revival" so powerful that it brings the presence of the King of kings and establishes his Kingdom once and for all; but the only thing that will bring this to the congregation of the saints of Yisrael is "THE BIBLE HISTORY" to return to the foundation and initial form of the Hebrew FAITH. And this document, as well as the Torah class of each Shabbat is exactly that; to know the spiritual history of a "YISRAEL" people and to live as if we were the continuation and conclusion of this beautiful love story.

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