

# PARSHA PEARLS.



"When you come in"

# Ki Tavo

## Deuteronomy 26:1 - 29:8

In this edition:  
Deuteronomy 26 (Becoming a Set-apart People)  
Katan A



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# PARSHA POINTS

## LITTLE GEMS

### Parent/Teacher Preparation:

Please see the instructions for the Little Gems story on the YMTOI website. We recommend that you print out the characters and familiarize yourself with each story so that you can implement the visual representations of your choice (felt, laminated or stand-ups) at the appropriate time.

## Becoming a Set-apart People

Shalom children! We are back with the Yisra'elites this week as they are preparing to enter the land. This time, Yahweh has instructions for them on how to present their first-fruits and tithes, and how to take care of Lewites, sojourners, the fatherless, and widows that live within their gates. **(Place people on board.)**

Do you remember some of the other stories that we have read this year that talked about tithing? Do any of you remember how much a tithe is? **(Give children a chance to answer.)** Yes, a tithe is a tenth. Today we are going to talk about the 3<sup>rd</sup> year tithe. But first, let's go over how Yahweh wants them to present their first-fruits.

Who wants to make a guess as to what first-fruits are? **(Let children answer.)** Well, if you had produce that you grew from plants in the soil, and you took out some of the first ones that grew, those would be first-fruits. **(Place first-fruits on board.)** Well, Yahweh says that those first-fruits should be put into a basket and taken to the place where He chooses to make His Name dwell. **(Place basket of first-fruits on board.)** Then the Yisra'elite who is bringing the basket goes up to the High priest and tells him that he has come to the land that Yahweh promised to them. **(Place High priest on board.)** The High priest takes the basket and puts it before the altar. **(Place altar on board.)** Then the Yisra'elite is supposed to say a few things out loud to the High priest to show appreciation and remembrance for all that Yahweh has given him. After his speech, the Yisra'elite then puts the first-fruits before Yahweh and bows down to Him. **(Place bowing man on board.)**

Yahweh wants the children of Yisra'el to rejoice because there is so much good that has come to them and the Lewites, and even to the sojourners who live among them. **(Place happy Yisra'elites on board and point to Lewite and sojourner.)**

Okay, so now let's talk about the 3<sup>rd</sup> year tithe. The Yisra'elites are taught that every 3 years, a tithe is supposed to go towards taking care of the Lewites, the sojourners, the fatherless, and the widows that are in their gates. **(Point to people on board.)** Once they have brought this tithe, Yahweh has some more things that He wants them to say out loud.



# PARSHA POINTS

## LITTLE GEMS

He wants them to declare that:

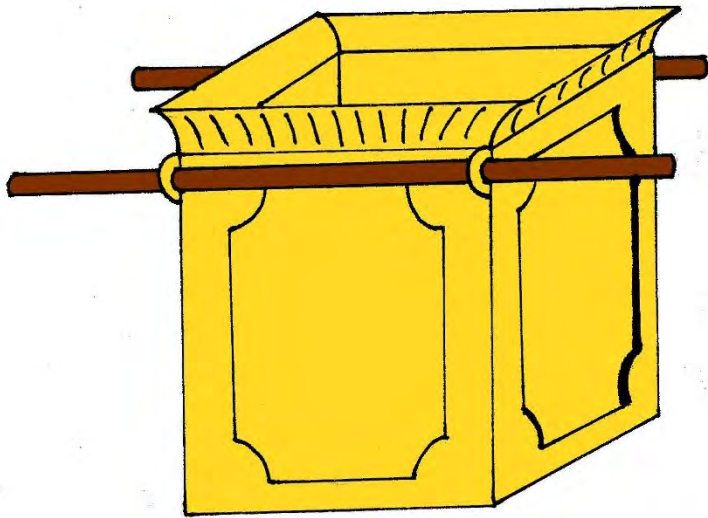
- They took the set-apart portion and gave it to the Lewite, the sojourner, the fatherless, and the widow just as He told commanded (**point to people**)
- They did not break His commands or forget about them (**place tablets on board**)
- They did not eat any of it when they were sad and mourning (**place sad Yisr'aelites on board**)
- They did not use any of it for something unclean (**place pot with dead mouse on board**)
- They did not give any of it for people who are dead (**place dead people on board**)
- They obeyed Yahweh (**point to tablets**)
- They did what Yahweh commanded them to do (**point to tablets**)
- And they want Yahweh to look down and bless them and bless the land that He has given them (**place land of Kena'an scene on board**)

Wow! Did you notice that when they present both the first-fruits and the 3<sup>rd</sup> year tithe, they have a list of things they are required to say? I wonder why Yahweh would want them to recite that big, long list. Do you think He wants them to make sure they remember these things and are doing all of it just the way that He said to do? Well, Mosheh tells all the people that these are in fact the things that Yahweh is commanding them to do, and that they need to guard them and do them with all their heart and their being. Wait a minute... all your heart and all your being? Where have we heard that before? In the V'ahavta! Can any of you say the line with me? (**Recite slowly.**) "And you shall love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your being, and with all your might!" Yahweh reminds them that they are His people and His treasured possession, and so He wants them to guard all of these commands. And because they are His set-apart people, He has made amazing promises to them when they do. That is so exciting!

Well children, we have come to the end of our story for today. We will see you next week for another exciting Little Gems story!



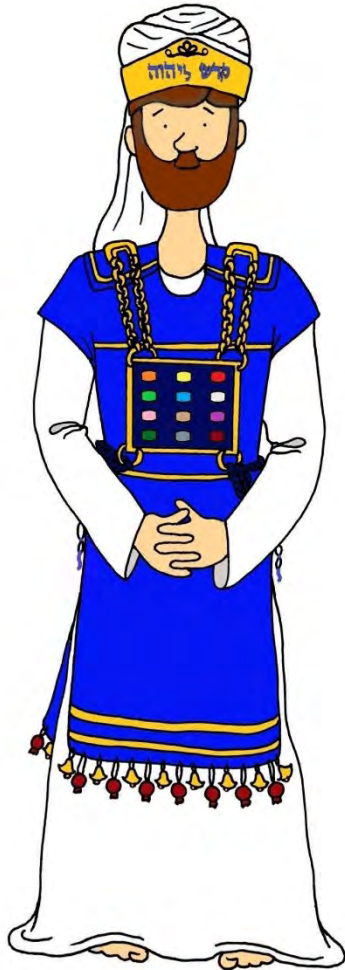
Altar



First-fruits



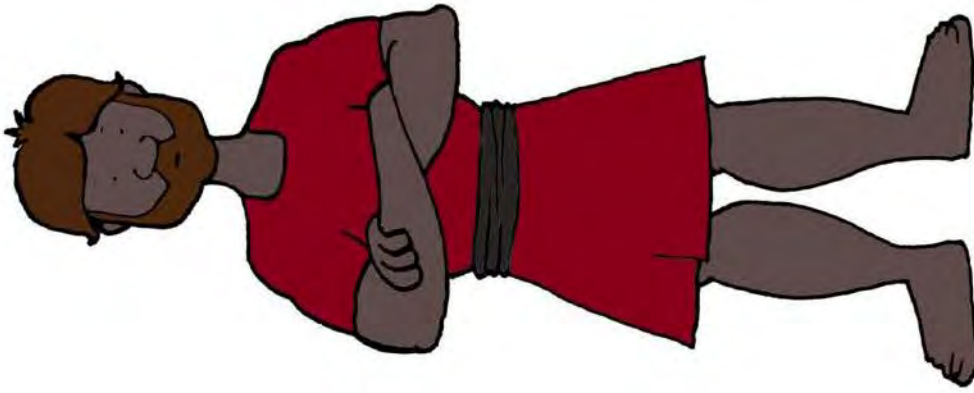
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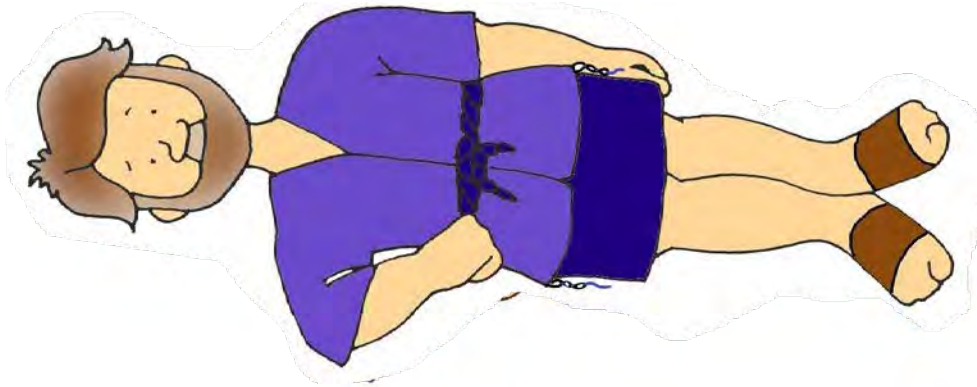
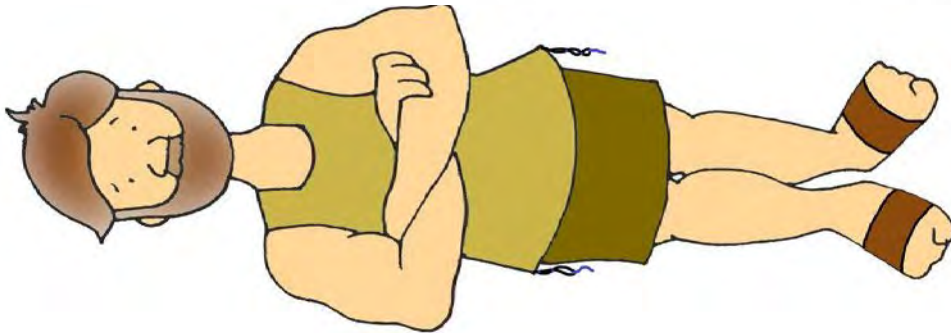
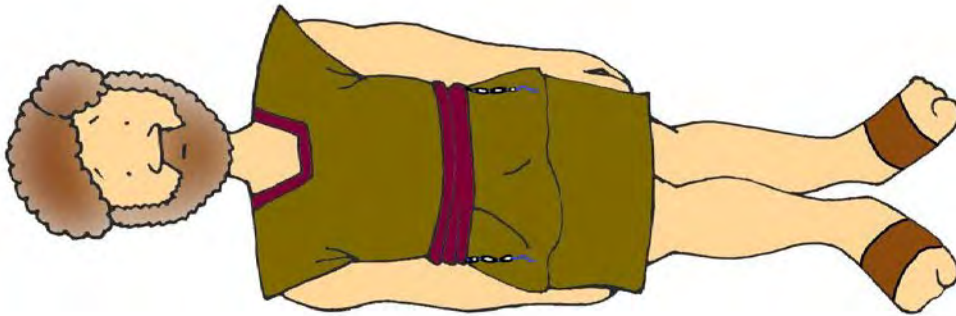
Bowing man



Sojourner



Lewites



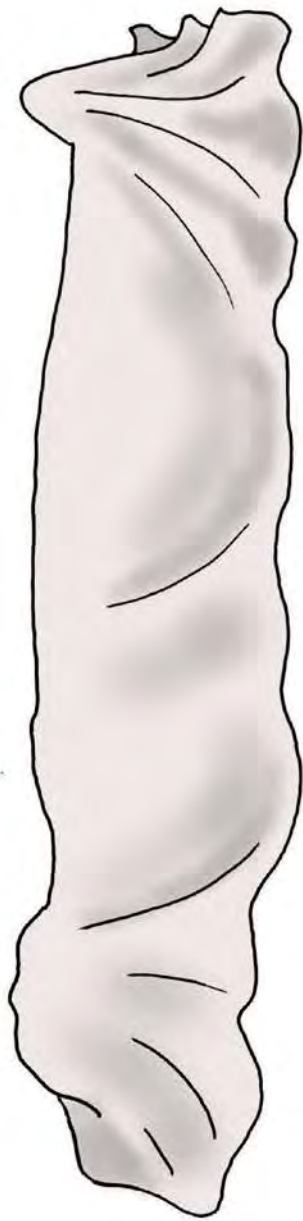
Widow



Happy Yisra'elites



Dead people



Sad Yisra'elites



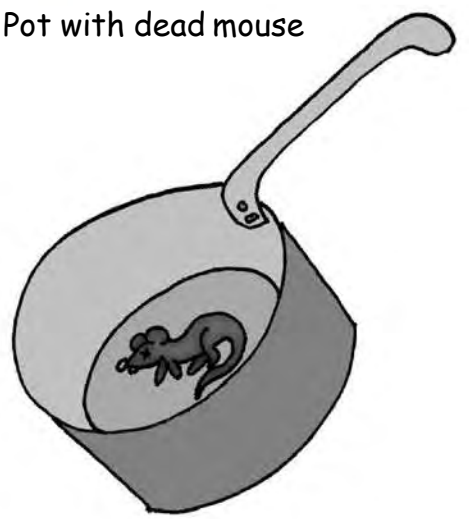
Basket of first-fruits

Fatherless



Tablets

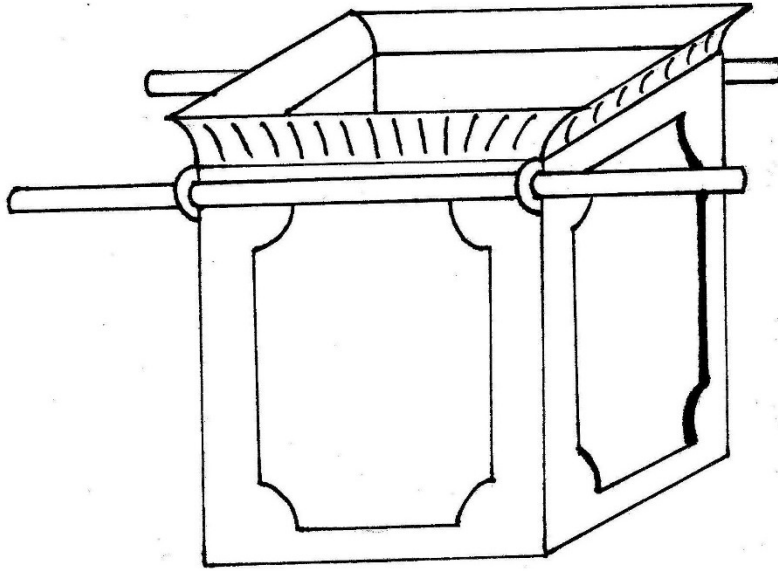
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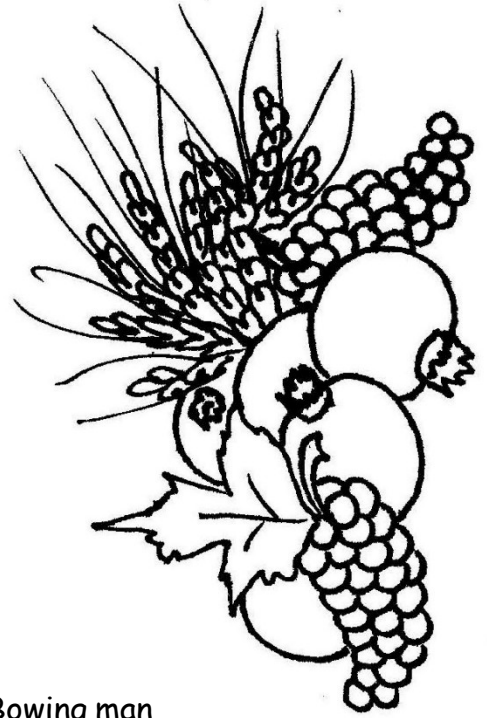




Altar



First-fruits



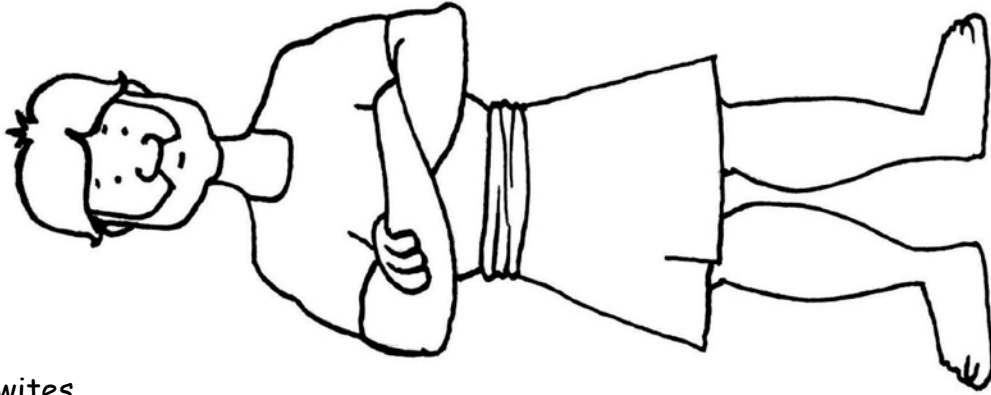
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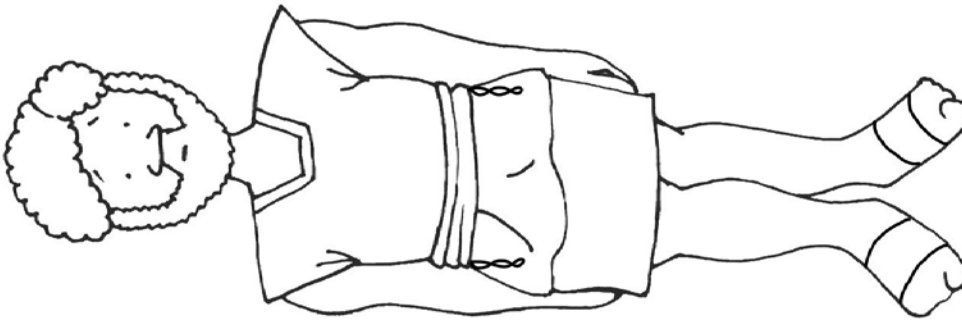
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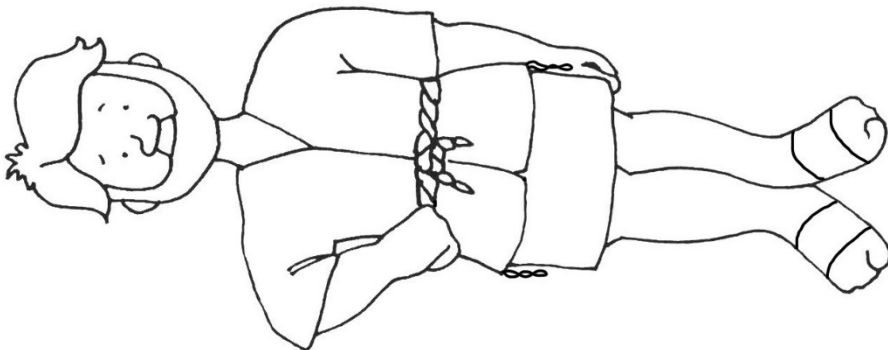
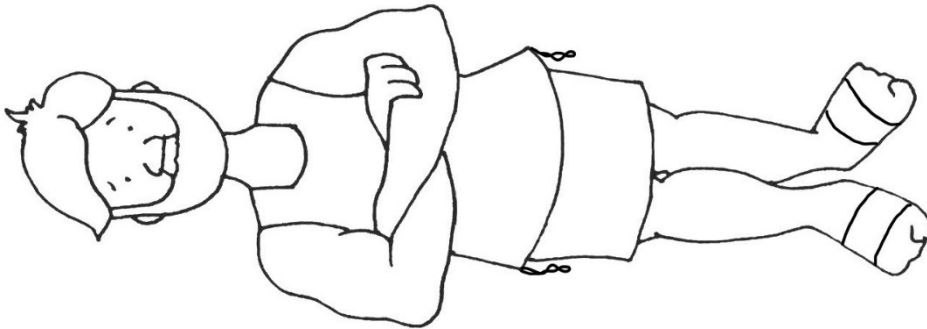
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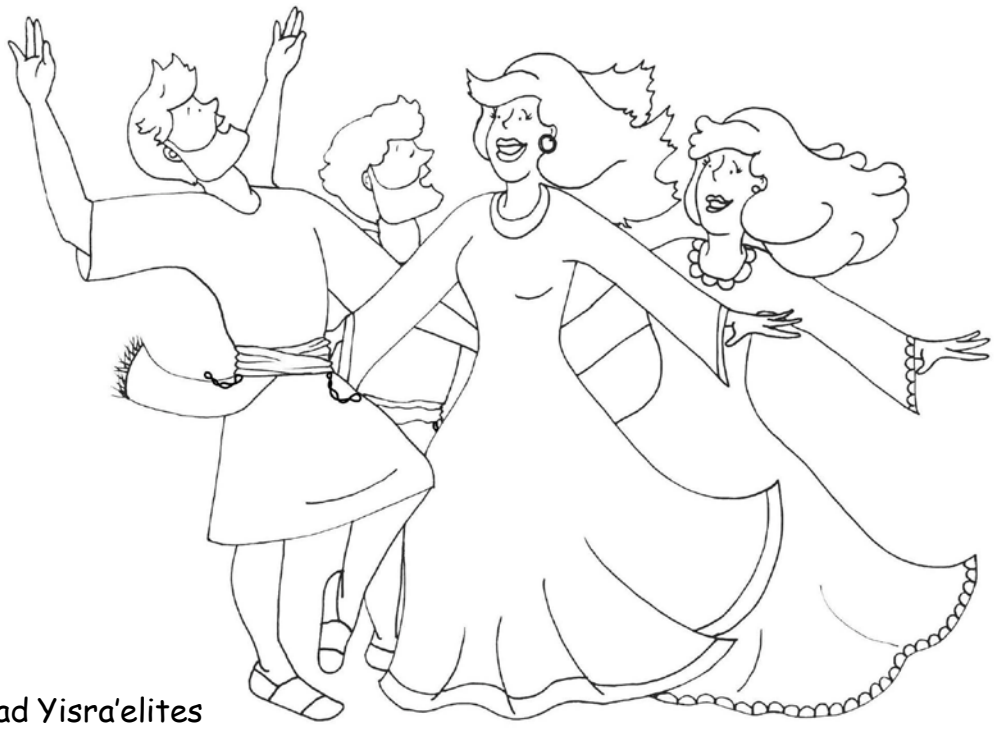
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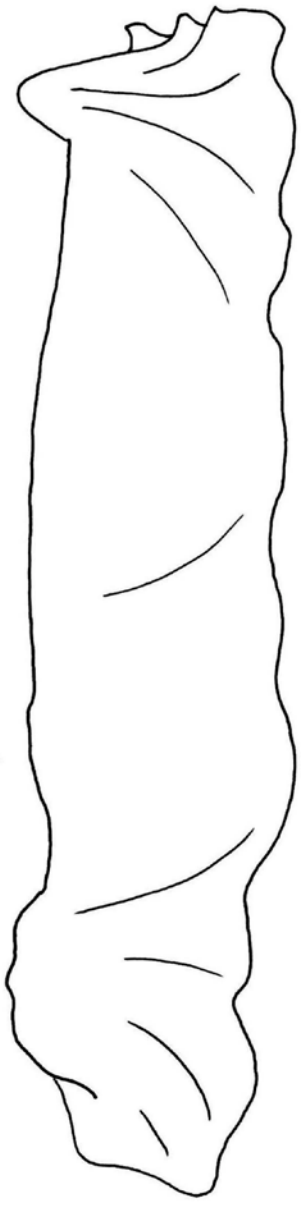
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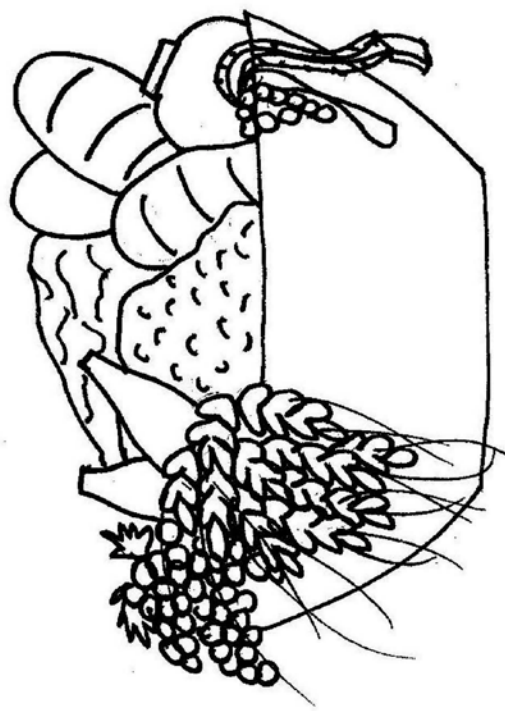


Sad Yisra'elites

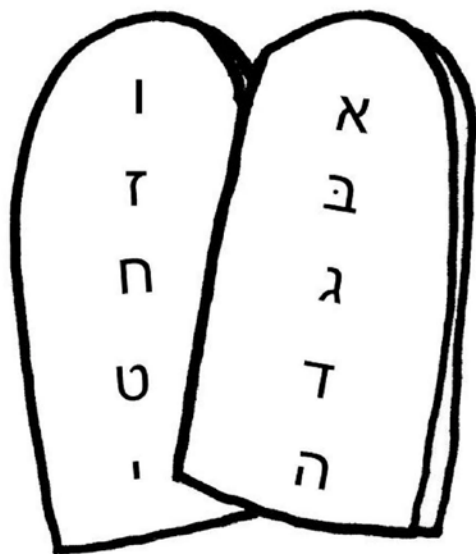


Dead people

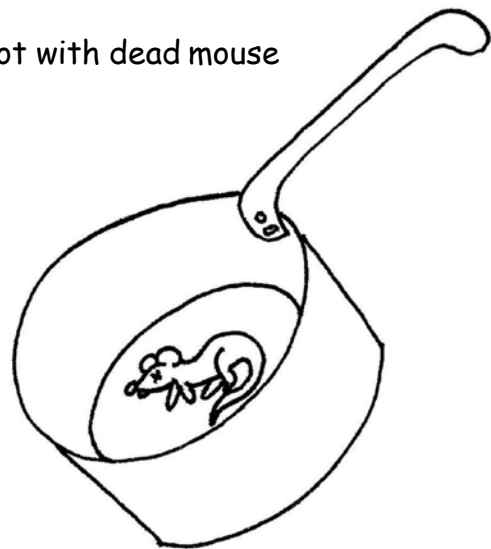




Tablets



Pot with dead mouse



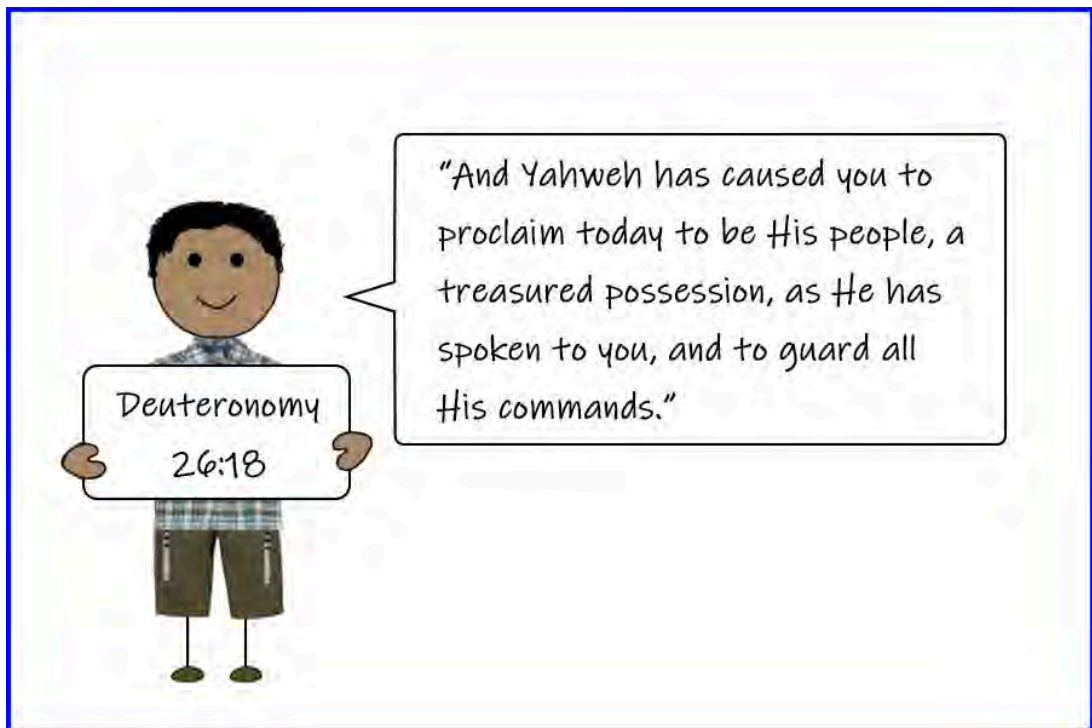


# COUNTING WHAT YOU GAINED

This next section is intended to be reinforcement of the lessons learned during this parsha. Choose the activities that best fit your child.

## STORING UP TREASURE IN MY HEART

The Katan A memory verse for this Torah portion is Deuteronomy 26:18. If they have not already done so, begin to help them to memorize the verse. Be creative and try acting it out or putting it to music.







# SEEKING TREASURE

Circle the correct choices.

1. What were the first-fruits supposed to be brought in? (26:2)



2. Which picture portrays what the offeror does after they bring their first-fruits? (26:10)



3. Which tithe goes to the Levite, stranger, fatherless, and widow? (26:12)



4. Circle the pictures that depict what the first-fruits and 3<sup>rd</sup> tithe could not be used for. (16:14)



5. Which pictures depict how Yahweh views His people? (16:18-19)



# WORD SEARCH

Search for the hidden words from this week's parsha.

## First-Fruits

S	P	T	H	W	B
T	R	S	A	H	A
I	I	R	N	X	S
U	E	I	D	B	K
R	S	F	O	K	E
F	T	W	K	Q	T

BASKET

FIRST

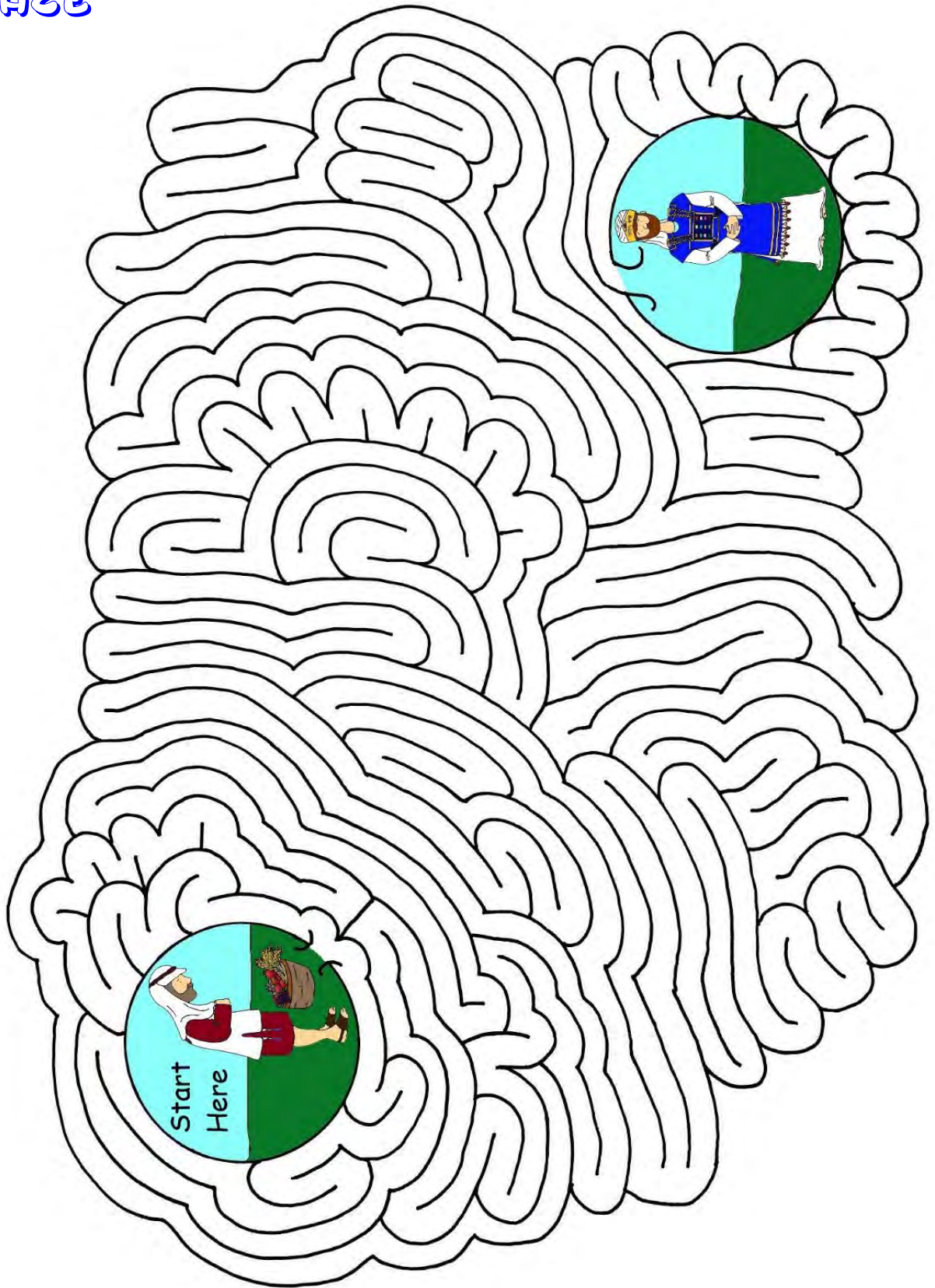
FRUITS

PRIEST

HAND



# MAZE



# PRECIOUS POSSESSIONS

## Craft Instructions First-Fruits Basket Deuteronomy 26:2

### Materials:

- Plastic lid, like a coffee can lid or similar lid (for bottom of basket)
- Craft foam (for basket)
- Hot glue
- Scissors
- Optional: yellow, brown or tan paper for grain stalks



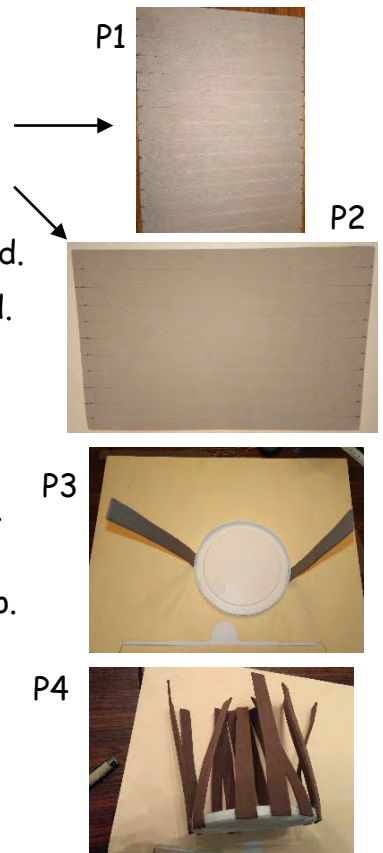
### Parent/Teacher preparation:

The size of the basket depends on the size of the lid you choose. Therefore the amount of craft foam needed depends on the size of your basket and the size of craft foam you purchase. The color of foam is irrelevant, and you can choose to use 1 color for the entire basket or 2 or more. We used brown and tan for a more realistic look.

2 sheets of 5½" X 8½" were used for this basket in 2 different colors.

### Instructions for the craft:

- Mark 1 sheet on the short side with lines ½" apart. (P1)
- Mark the other sheet on the long side with lines ½" apart. (P2)
  - If using a larger lid, more than 2 sheets may be required.
  - If using larger foam sheets, only 1 sheet may be needed.
- Hot glue the strips to the lid as follows:
  - Place a dab of hot glue on the edge of the lid. Glue a strip in place. (P3)
  - Go across from that strip and place a dab of glue there. Place another strip there. (P3)
  - Go in between the 2 strips and place hot glue and a strip.
  - Repeat for the opposite side.
  - Continue gluing strips in this pattern until there is only a small space in between strips. (P4)



# PRECIOUS POSSESSIONS

Craft - page 2:

Instructions for the craft cont'd:

*Weaving the basket*

- Glue the end of 1 of the long strips on the side of 1 of the vertical strips towards the bottom of the basket, so that the strip is horizontal. (P5)
- Begin weaving the strip in an over/under pattern. If the strip runs out before getting to the other side, hot glue the end to the last strip it got to and then hot glue a new strip next to it. (P6)
- When the weave gets back to the beginning, hot glue the end of the strip in place.
- Repeat until about 1" is left at the top of the basket.
- Try not to pull hard when weaving so that the basket flares at the top wider than at the bottom.
- Take a strip and glue it to the inside of 1 of the vertical strips. (P7)
- This last strip will not be woven in and out, but it will stay on the inside of the basket.
- Fold the 1" or so of the first vertical strip over the new horizontal strip. Glue the horizontal strip just under the last one. Repeat until all the 1" vertical strips at the top of the basket are glued to the inside of the basket. (P8)

*Optional: grain stalk*

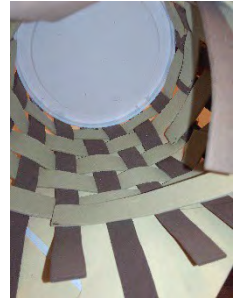
- Take the colored piece of paper and roll it on the short side until you have a nice tube. (P9)
- Glue the tube in place.
- After the glue has dried, take your scissors and cut through all the layers on the tube, to about 2" from the opposite end. (P9)
- Repeat 3 more times so that you have 4 sets of strips.
- To make the curved ends, repeat these steps with each set of strips you just cut:
  - Begin with 1 set and, taking the strip closest to the outside, dab some glue on the end of the strip and glue it to the next strip. (P10)
  - Repeat the process with the next strip on the same set until you have them all glued together.

*This is a basket for the first-fruits.*

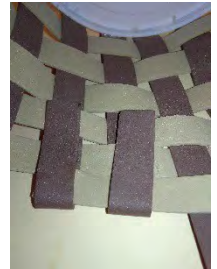
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P6



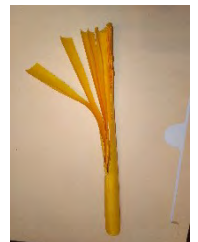
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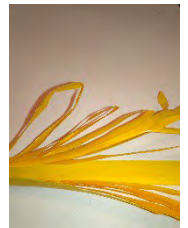
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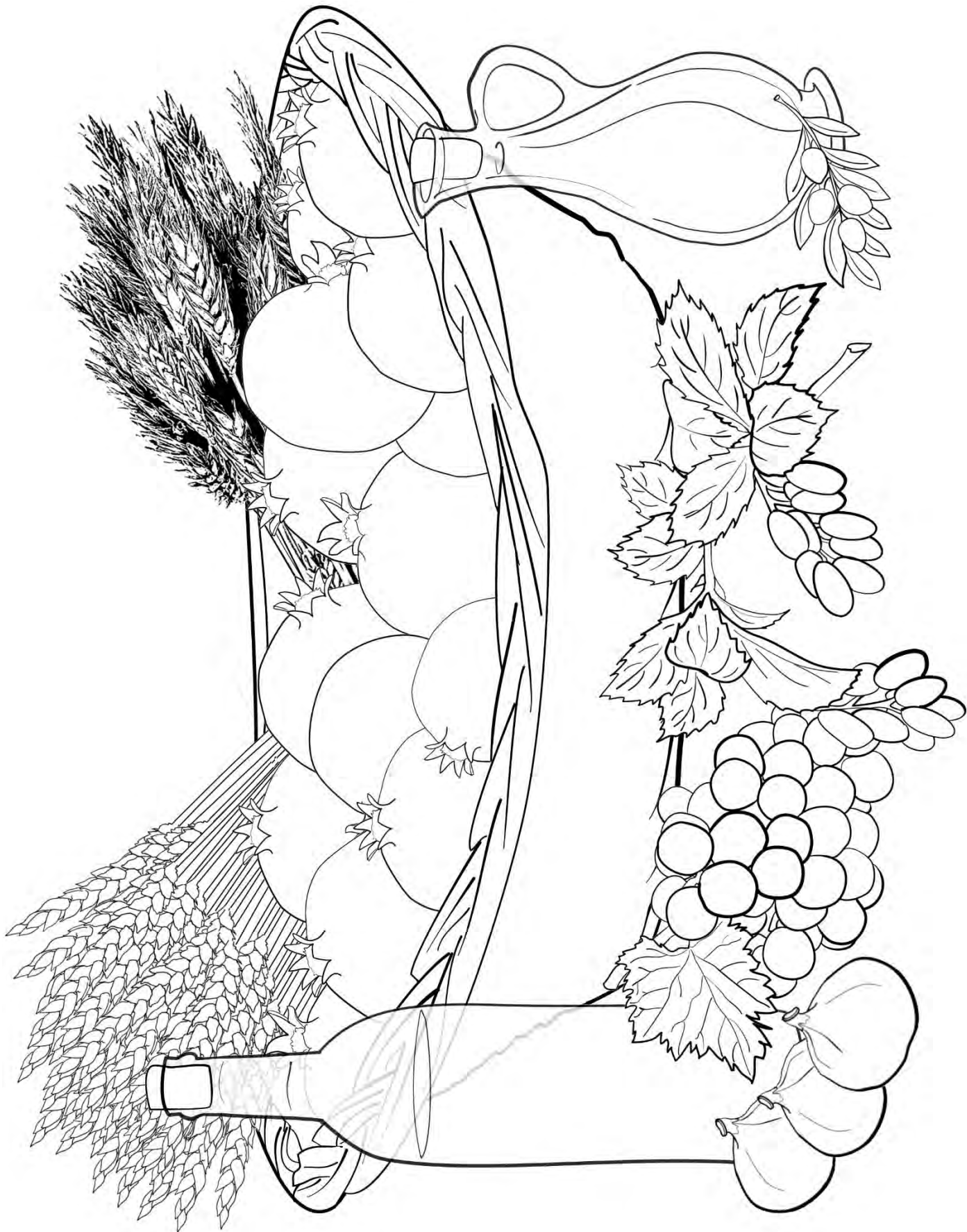


P9



P10

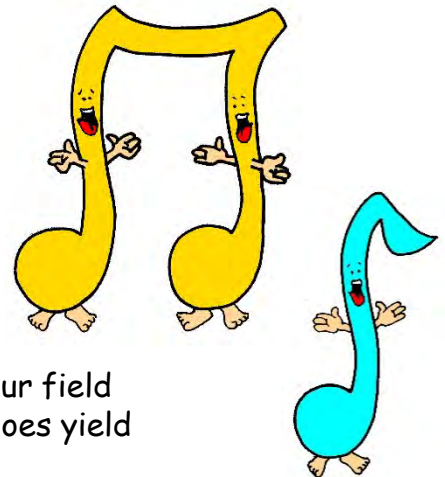




# SWEETNESS OF TORAH

## SWEET SOUNDS OF TORAH

### (SING PRAISES TO HIS NAME)



#### Hayom Hazeh

When you come to Eretz Yisra'el after working in your field  
A special mitzvah is required of the first-fruits it does yield  
Bikkurim reminds us that our toil was a success  
All our work and our first-fruits by Yahweh were blessed

In the empty, lonely desert many mitzvot were explained  
We accepted them all by answering amein  
Hayom hazeh nihyesa le'am, a nation to Yahweh we did become  
To the Torah we are true, we're the chosen few

These merits of the past have always helped us through  
Each day is hayom hazeh by doing mitzvot that we know  
Hayom hazeh nihyesa le'am, a nation to Yahweh we did become  
To the Torah we are true, we're the chosen few

Here is the link for  
this song:

[https://www.podomatic.com/podcasts/steveberkson/episodes/2017-09-03T07\\_23\\_03-07\\_00](https://www.podomatic.com/podcasts/steveberkson/episodes/2017-09-03T07_23_03-07_00)

Eretz Yisra'el - land of Israel

Mitzvah - command (often referred to as good deed)

Bikkurim - first-fruits

Mitzvot - commandments

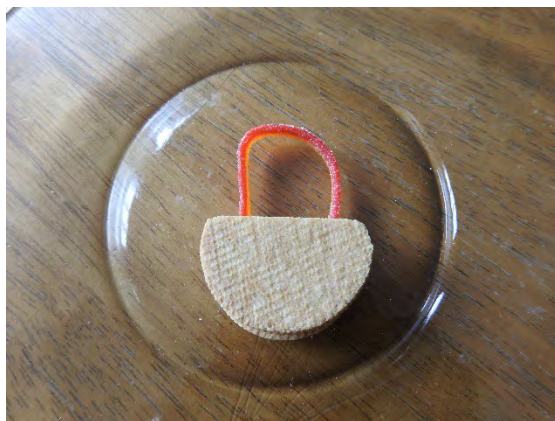
Hayom hazeh nihyesa le'am - "This day you have become the people of Yahweh your Elohim" (Deut. 27:9)

# SWEETNESS OF TORAH

## SWEET TASTE OF TORAH

This snack relates to this week's parsha. Please take these as suggestions and make necessary changes based on your individual dietary needs.

### Basket (for first-fruits) Deuteronomy 26:2, 4



#### Ingredients:

- Vanilla stuffed cookies (represents basket)
- Rope or string candy (represents handles on basket)

#### Instructions:

Cut the cookies in half. Cut rope or string candy to desired length. Attach the rope or string candy handles by inserting into vanilla cream.

*You now have a visual of the basket that one was required to bring to the priest of the first-fruits.*



# NEXT WEEK'S TREASURE HUNT

Next week's Torah portion

Nitzavim/Vayelech  
Deuteronomy 29:9 - 31:30

## Suggested reading schedule

Monday:	Deut. 29:9-29	Exhortation to guard the covenant in order to receive the blessings and avoid the curses
Tuesday:	Deut. 30:1-10	Exhortation to return to Yahweh in order to receive the blessings and reverse any judgments
Wednesday:	Deut. 30:11-20	Exhortation that Yahweh's commandments are not too difficult; therefore choose Life
Thursday:	Deut. 31:1-8	Mosheh reiterates that he is not going into the land of Kena'an, and that Yehoshua will take his place as their leader
Friday:	Deut. 31:9-30	The command for a public reading of the Torah every 7 years; Yahweh predicts future apostasy, and commands Mosheh to write a song of witness for the children of Yisra'el

## Next week's memory verse

Katan A: Deuteronomy 30:14

