

PARSHA PEARLS



"When you come in"

Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:1 - 29:8

In this edition:
Deuteronomy 26 (Becoming a Set-apart People)
Katan B/Gadol



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Parsha Pearls is a comprehensive resource that allows for complete customization by the parent. We understand that if you were to strive to accomplish all aspects of each lesson in one day it would be unrealistic and also overload for the child. It is our intention that this be used 'a la carte' so that it suits your family's specific needs. Our site caters to printing only the pieces you choose.

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PARSHA POINTS

TREASURING HIS WORD

Let's do a quick overview of the Torah portion:

Monday:	Deut. 26:1-15	First-fruits and 3 rd tithe declaration and presentation to the priest
Tuesday:	Deut. 26:16-27:8	Covenant proclamations; Instructions for stone altar construction at Mt. Eybal, with Torah inscriptions
Wednesday:	Deut. 27:9-26	Curses spoken from Mt. Eybal for disobedience
Thursday:	Deut. 28:1-14	The blessings pronounced for obedience
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In this week's Parsha Pearls lesson, we will take a look at further instructions for the children of Yisra'el to follow when they enter the land. The focus is upon presenting their first-fruits and tithes at the *place which Yahweh your Elohim chooses*, and taking care of the Lewite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow *within your gates*. Yahweh then reiterates the Covenant He is making with Yisra'el to become a set-apart people. Now, let's read Deuteronomy 26.

PEARL SEEKING

First-Fruits

- Take some of the first of all the fruits of the soil from your land that Yahweh your Elohim is giving you, and put it in a basket (tene) and go to the *place which Yahweh your Elohim chooses* to make His Name dwell there - 26:2
- You shall approach the High priest and say, "I shall declare today to Yahweh your Elohim that I have come to the land which Yahweh swore to our fathers to give us" - 26:3
- The High priest will take the basket from your hand and place it before the altar of Yahweh your Elohim - 26:4
- You shall answer and say before Yahweh your Elohim (26:5-10):
 - My father was a perishing Aramean, and he went down to Mitsrayim and sojourned there with few men, and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and numerous
 - The Mitsrites did evil to us, and afflicted us, and imposed hard labor on us
 - We cried out to Yahweh, Elohim of our fathers, and Yahweh heard our voice and saw our affliction and our toil and our oppression
 - Yahweh brought us out of Mitsrayim with a strong hand and with an outstretched arm, with great fear and with signs and wonders



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PEARL SEEKING

- He brought us to this place and has given us this land, 'a land flowing with milk and honey'
- See, I have brought the first-fruits (reshith p'ri) of the land which You, O Yahweh have given me
- Then you shall place the first-fruits before Yahweh your Elohim, and bow down before Yahweh your Elohim - 26:10
- You shall rejoice in all the good which Yahweh your Elohim has given to you and your house, you and the Lewite and the stranger who is among you - 26:11

3rd year tithe

- When you have completed tithing all the tithe of your increase in the third year, and have given it to the Lewite, to the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, and they have eaten *within your gates* and are satisfied, then you shall say before Yahweh your Elohim (26:12-15; 14:28-29):
 - I have put away the set-apart portion from my house, and also have given it to the Lewite, and to the stranger, and to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all Your command which You have commanded me
 - I have NOT transgressed Your commands, nor have I forgotten
 - I have NOT eaten any of it when in mourning
 - I have NOT removed any of it for any unclean use
 - I have NOT given any of it for the dead
 - I have obeyed the voice of Yahweh my Elohim
 - I have done according to all that You have commanded me
 - Look from Your set-apart dwelling place, from the heavens, and bless Your people Yisra'el and the land which You have given us, as You swore to our fathers, 'a land flowing with milk and honey'

Covenanting with Yahweh

- Today, Yahweh your Elohim is commanding you to (26:16; 6:5; 10:12; 13:3):
 - do these laws and right-rulings
 - *guard* and do them with all your heart and with all your being
- You have, today, caused Yahweh to proclaim to (26:17):
 - be your Elohim
 - walk in His ways
 - *guard* His laws, His commands, His right-rulings
 - obey His voice



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PEARL SEEKING

- Yahweh has caused you to proclaim today to (26:18; 7:6; 14:2):
 - be His people
 - be a treasured possession (am segullah), as He has spoken to you
 - *guard* all His commands
- Yahweh has set you high above all nations, which He has made, for a praise, and for a name, and for esteem, and for you to be a set-apart people (am kadosh) to Yahweh your Elohim, as He has spoken - 26:19; 7:6; Lev. 20:26

DIGGING DEEPER

Parents/Teachers may choose to use these prompts for further discussion of the Torah portion. This section would be ideal for the Katan B and Gadol students for deeper study.

- Research what first-fruits are - the different kinds and their significance. When are they supposed to be brought to the priest? (Ex. 23:19, 34:26; Lev. 19:23-25)
- Chapter 26 contains precisely prescribed declarations which one must pronounce when presenting their first-fruits to the priest (26:5-10). Why do you think Yahweh required this?
- What does the phrase, "My father was a perishing Aramean" mean? Does it relay that Abraham our forefather was someone of no prestigious descent, occupation or location? Why do you think Yahweh wants them to always relate their entry into the land with 'remembering' where they came from?
- Discuss Yahweh's consideration of the Lewite, the stranger, the fatherless and the widow when He commands that they are to be taken care of at His feasts.
- Discuss the 3rd tithe, and the declaration one must make before Yahweh that they did not *steal* or *borrow* from it for any reason (26:13-14). Do you think it would be easy for a Yisra'elite to make this declaration falsely, fully aware that they were lying and would be held accountable? Do you think they could get away with it? Was there a way for the priest to know?
- The 3rd tithe is also known as the poor tithe, for it takes care of those in need. Since the poor are still among us, do you think that this tithe applies in our lives even though we are not in the land?
- If Yahweh calls us His treasured possession and has set us above the nations, how should we be walking in order to be worthy of that title?



SEARCHING OUT HEBREW

WORDS

Parents/Teachers see the following page for 3 x 5 card cut outs of the words from this week's parsha. If printed on card stock, they can be kept in a box to reinforce learning.

Tene (טנא) - basket

Reshith p'ri (ראשית פרי) - first-fruits (also called bikkurim)

Am segullah (עם סגולה) - treasured possession/treasured people

Am kadosh (עם קדוש) - set-apart people

NUMBERS

Parents/Teachers can print out these numbers to have as additional resources. These can be found under the 'Resources' tab on the YMTOI website.

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SEARCHING OUT HEBREW

טנא

Tene

Te-ne

basket

ראשית פרי

Reshith p'ri

Re-shith p-ri

first-fruits

עם סגולה

Am segullah

Am seg-u-lah

treasured possession/
treasured people

עם קדוש

Am kadosh

Am ka-dosh

set-apart people

SEARCHING OUT HEBREW

WORD MATCH

Match this week's Hebrew words to their correct definition.

Becoming a Set-apart People

Am Kadosh

Basket

Am Segullah

First-Fruits

Reshith P'ri

Set-apart people

Tene

Treasured Possession



SEARCHENGE OUR HEBREW

Practice writing the Hebrew words from this week's parsha.

Tene (basket)

טנא



Reshith p'ri (first-fruits)

ראשית פרי



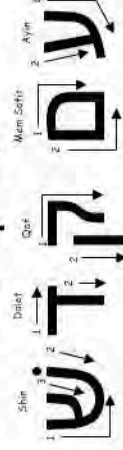
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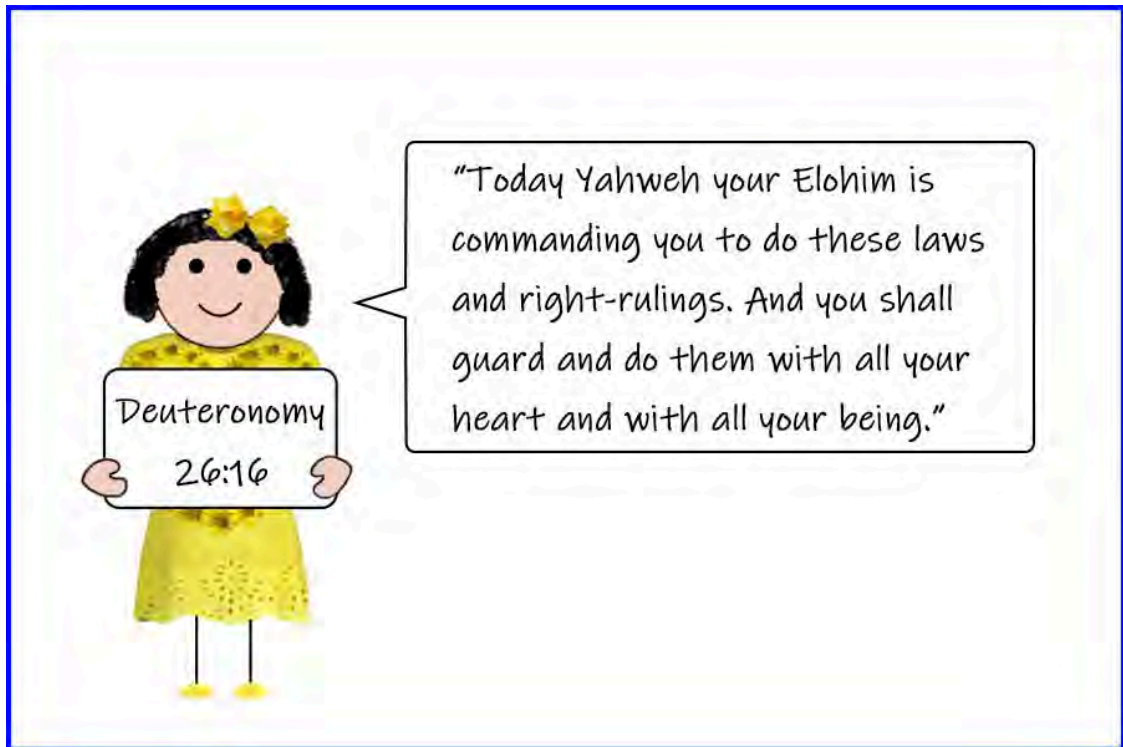


COUNTING WHAT YOU GAINED

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 B and Gadol memory verse is Deuteronomy 26:16. You can review the verse with them by reciting it out loud, acting it out, putting it to music...whatever works for you.



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STORING UP TREASURE IN MY HEART

Use this space to draw a picture of the verse(s) memorized.

Use this space to write out the verse(s) memorized.



SEEKING TREASURE

Fill in the blanks.

1

When people prepared to bring their first-fruits to the priest, what kind of container were they told to place it in?

Circle the correct choice

backpack purse basket

barrel plastic tote

(26:2, 4)

2

"And Yahweh brought us out of Mitsrayim with a strong

_____ and with an outstretched _____,

with great _____ and with _____ and

_____."

(26:8)

3

Yahweh brought them to a land
flowing with gold and silver.

T / F

(26:9, 15)

4

What action were the people supposed to
do once they brought the first-fruits to
the priest and placed it before Yahweh?

Circle the correct choice

curtsey high five bow down

(26:10)

SEEKING TREASURE

Fill in the blanks.

5

Who is the 3rd tithe for?

(26:12-13)

6

We are allowed to eat the tithe if we are mourning (sad).

T / F

(26:14)

7

According to 26:16-17, what actions are we to take regarding Elohim's laws, right-rulings, commands and His voice?
Circle the correct choices

do guard walk obey

8

What does Yahweh call those who do, guard, walk in His ways and obey?
Circle the correct choices

His people a treasured possession

Set-apart

(26:18-19)

WORD SEARCH

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

Becoming a Set-apart People

U H H Z N Y P E D T L A N U W Z D O Q H
T T U I F Z T R J P W T E B T J N E I A
E U L W X T V E A V Q Y T E E W N S S J
R C N Z X R Q D K I F K T I M J O F L U
A J Q O G A M R B S S G O U A W I G R C
L A O P I N E S N F A E G H N F T N Z M
C I O Q M S W N T K T B R L M M C I K E
E M F D I G S I L I L B O J R T I H P K
D O P P T R L E D X U E F H Q G L T Z H
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I Q G U E X M L T O E E A Y M N B Z D K
V B B I D E A D A M Q J A O E C K X M T
S T R A N G E R F M R T K N I E X X W T

INHERITANCE

FIRST-FRUITS

BASKET

DECLARE

ARAMEAN

MITSRAYIM

AFFLICTION

OPPRESSION

TITHING

LEWITE

STRANGER

FATHERLESS

WIDOW

TRANSGRESSED

FORGOTTEN

MOURNING

UNCLEAN

DEAD

PRAISE

NAME

ESTEEM



WORD SEARCH

Becoming a Set-apart People

Answer Key

U	H	H	Z	N	Y	P	E	D	T	L	A	N	U	W	Z	D	O	Q	H
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R	C	N	Z	X	R	Q	D	K	I	F	K	T	I	M	J	O	F	L	U
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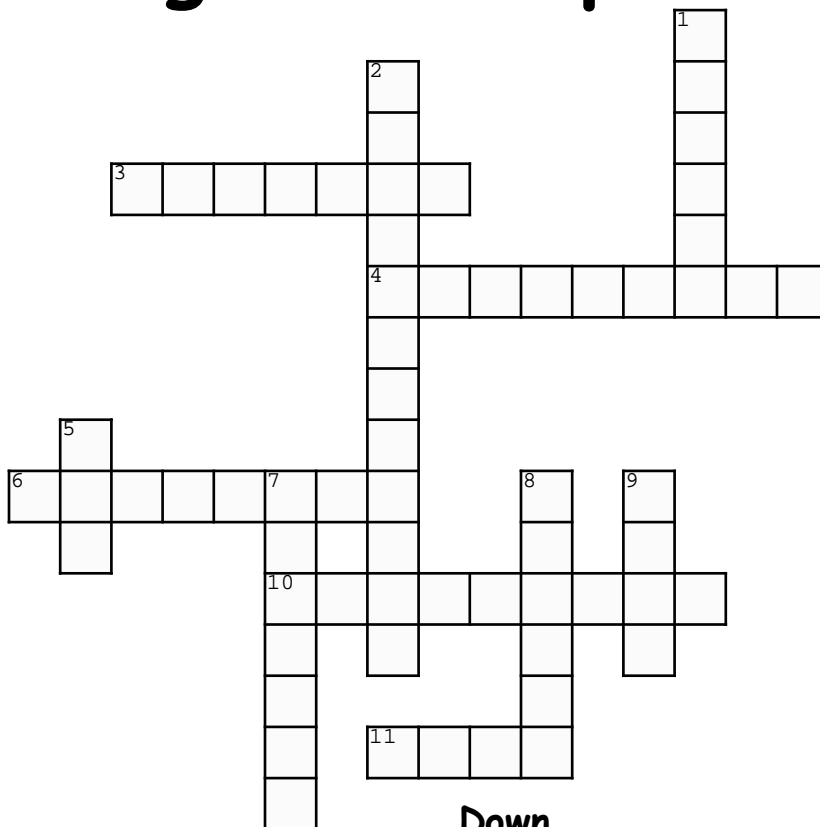
ESTEEM



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Complete the crossword using words from this week's parsha.

Becoming a Set-apart People



Across

3. I have not removed any of it for any _____ use.
4. The priest shall take the basket and place it near the _____ place of Yahweh Elohim.
6. Guard His laws, and His _____, and His right-rulings.
10. You are a _____ possession.
11. Walk in all His _____.

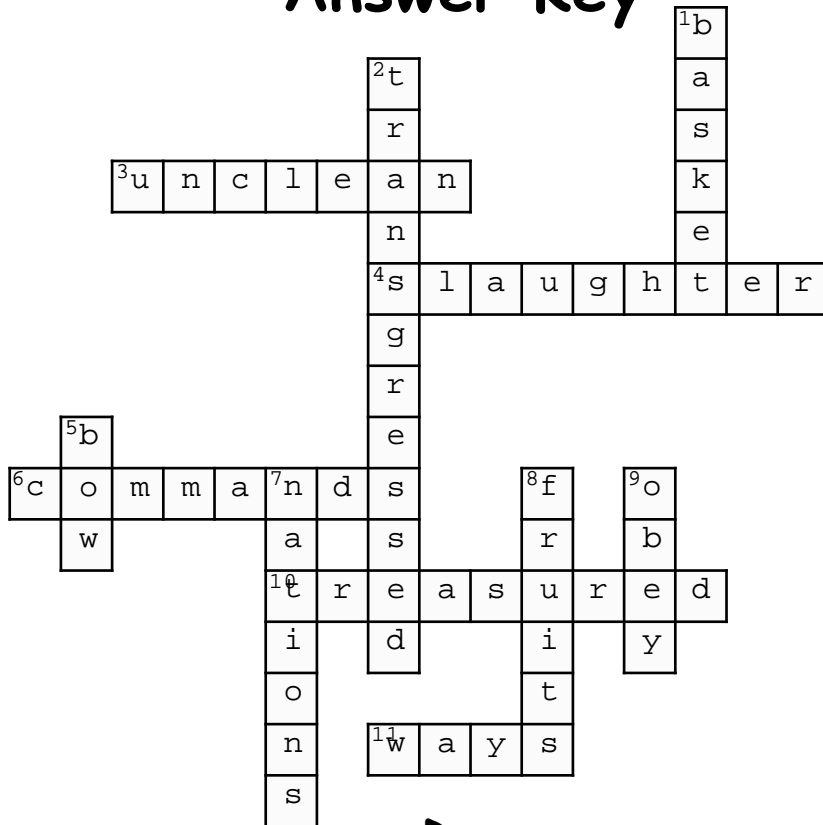
Down

1. You shall put your first-fruits in a _____.
2. I have not _____ Your commands, nor have I forgotten.
5. After the offeror presents the first-fruits, he is to _____ down before Yahweh Elohim.
7. He will set you high above all _____ which He has made.
8. When you come into the land you shall take some of first of all the _____ of the soil to the priest.
9. _____ His voice.



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Becoming a Set-apart People Answer Key



Across

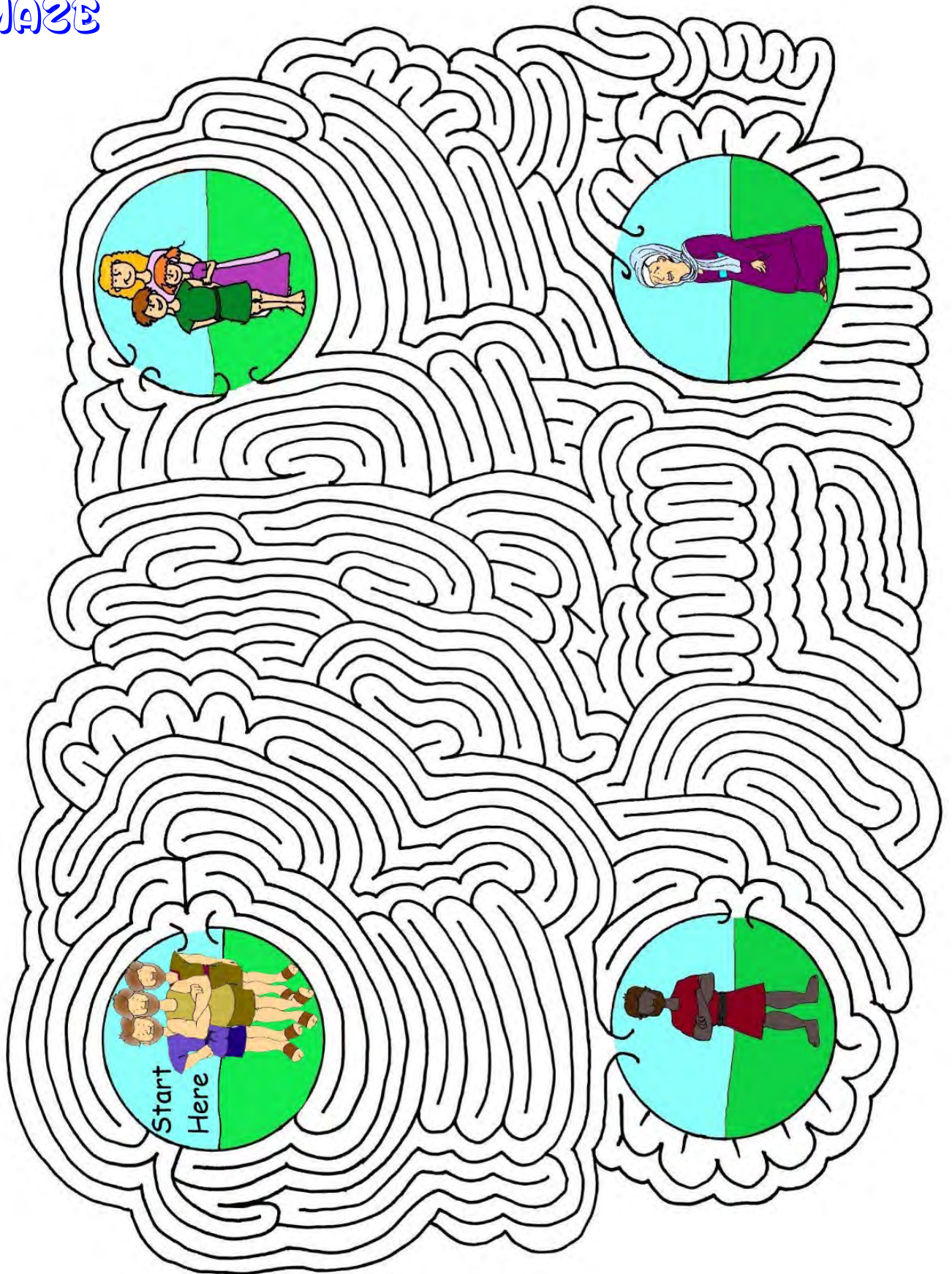
3. I have not removed any of it for any (**unclean**) use.
4. The priest shall take the basket and place it near the (**slaughter**) place of Yahweh Elohim.
6. Guard His laws, and His (**commands**), and His right-rulings.
10. You are a (**treasured**) possession.
11. Walk in all His (**ways**).

Down

1. You shall put your first-fruits in a (**basket**).
2. I have not (**transgressed**) Your commands, nor have I forgotten.
5. After the offeror presents the first-fruits, he is to (**bow**) down before Yahweh Elohim.
7. He will set you high above all (**nations**) which He has made.
8. When you come into the land you shall take some of first of all the (**fruits**) of the soil to the priest.
9. (**Obey**) His voice.



MAZE



PRECIOUS POSSESSIONS

Notebook Page Instructions First-Fruits Deuteronomy 26:1-3, 10

Materials:

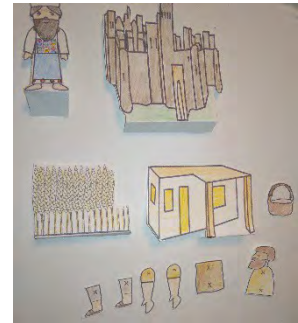
- Card stock - white
- Coloring pencils, crayons or markers
- Tacky glue
- Dimensional glue
- Brads
- Seeds (for grains)
- Pen
- Optional: dimensional paint - different colors (for priest garments)
- Optional: golden dimensional (not shiny) paint (for grain)
- Notebook Templates: Main Page & A

Parent/Teacher Preparation:

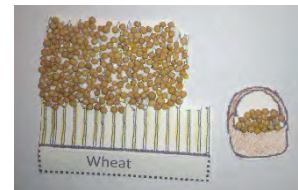
- Print the Main Page and Notebook Template A on white card stock.
- **Instructions for the notebook page:**
- Color all the items on Notebook Template A. (P1)
- Cut out all items making sure to make a tab for the priest, the house, the city and the crops. (P1)
- Cut the basket and the man close to the line. (P1)
- Glue some seeds on the crops and in the basket; then set it aside to dry. (P2)
- Option 2: make dots with dimensional paint on the crops and in the basket; then set it aside to dry.
- Use the different colors and the shiny gold to decorate the priest's garments; then set it aside to dry. (P3)
- Poke holes on all the "X"s on the man.
- Assemble the man with the brads and paper fasteners. (P4)
- Cut a strip the height of the man.
- Poke a hole about $\frac{1}{4}$ " down from one end of the strip.



P1



P2



P3



P4



PRECIOUS POSSESSIONS

Notebook Page - page 2:

Instructions for the notebook page cont'd:

- Open the legs of the brad at the arms and place the strip via the hole, through the brad. Close the legs again. (P5)
- Bend the strip about $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the bottom or around the bottom of the feet. (P5)
- Put some repositionable glue on the inside of the strip and the bent section.
- Let the man sit for 1 minute to let the glue start working.
- Color the Main Page (map). (P6)
- Cut 2 rectangles from the scraps and write the Hebrew words for this week. Write: (P7)
 - 1) Tene 2) טנא 3) Basket
 - 1) Reshith p'ri 2) ראשית פרי 3) First-Fruits
- Check to make sure all items are dry.
- Put some repositionable glue on the back of the basket. Set it aside to let the glue work.

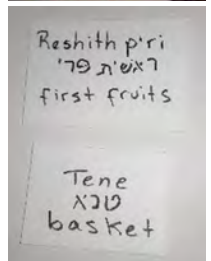
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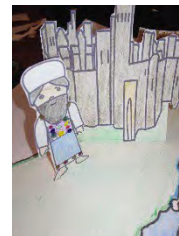
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Assembling the page

- Bend the tabs on the priest, the house, the city, and the crops.
- Glue the house to the far side of the map. (P8)
- Glue the crops next to the house. (P8)
- Glue the city in the center of the map. (P8, P9)
- Glue the priest next to the city. (P9)
- Place the basket on the back hand of the man. (P10)
- The man can be moved around via the tab on his back. To make him kneel, bend the tab in the back away and then bend the legs and waist. (P11, P12)
- There should be enough repositionable glue to allow the man to be able to stay in place; press the tab against the page without making a crease.
- Glue the words on the bottom part of the map.

P9



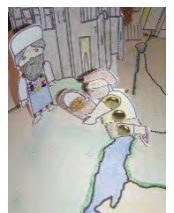
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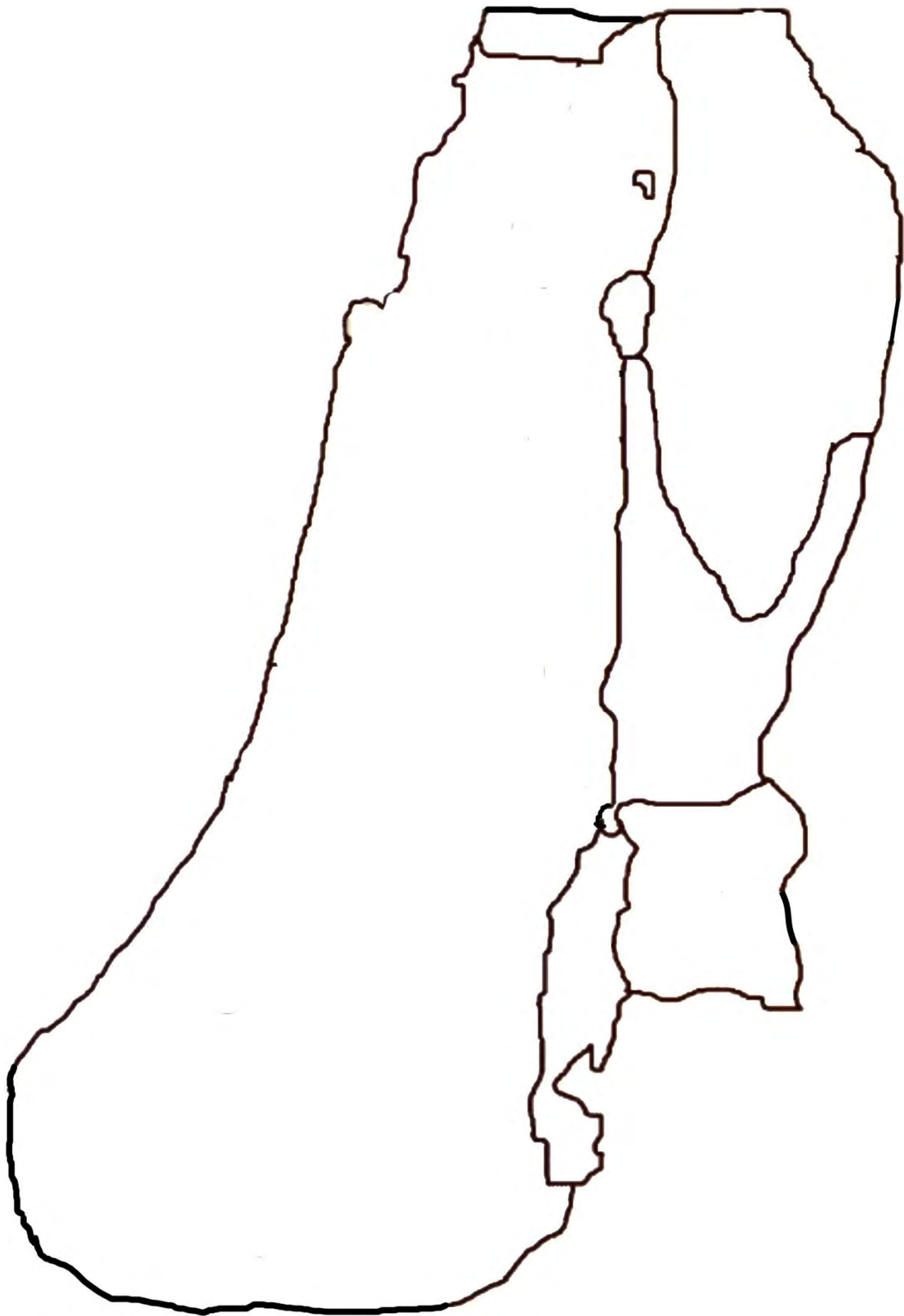


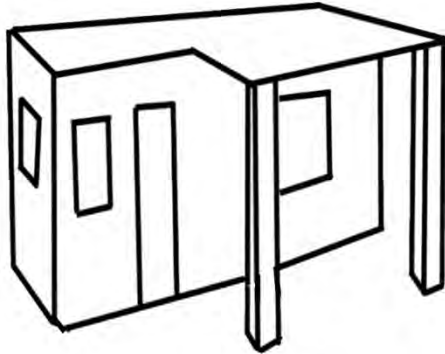
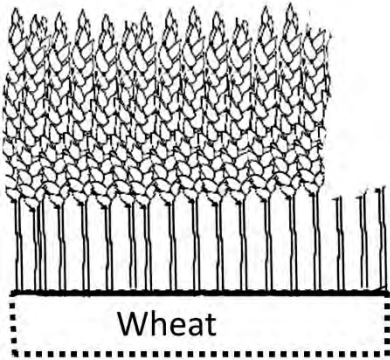
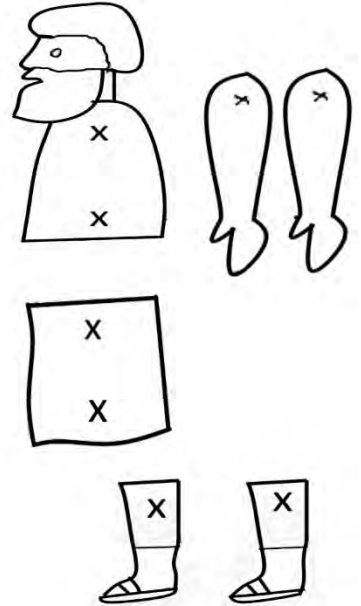
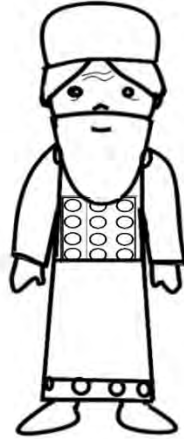
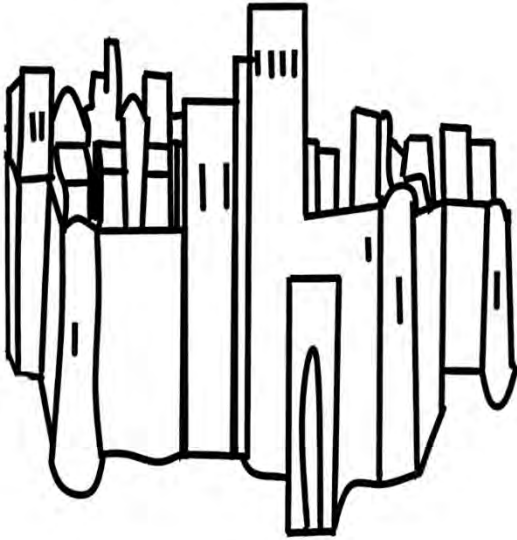
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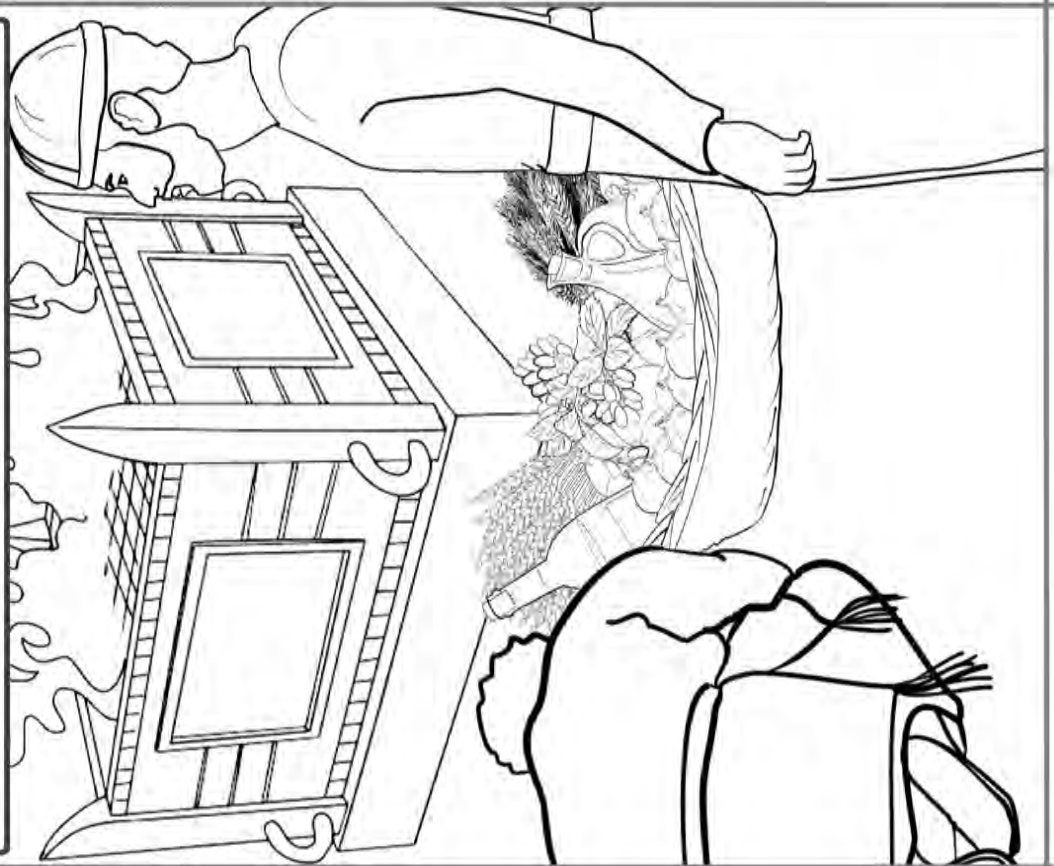
This is a visual page of the command to bring the first-fruits to the priest at the place where Yahweh placed His Name.



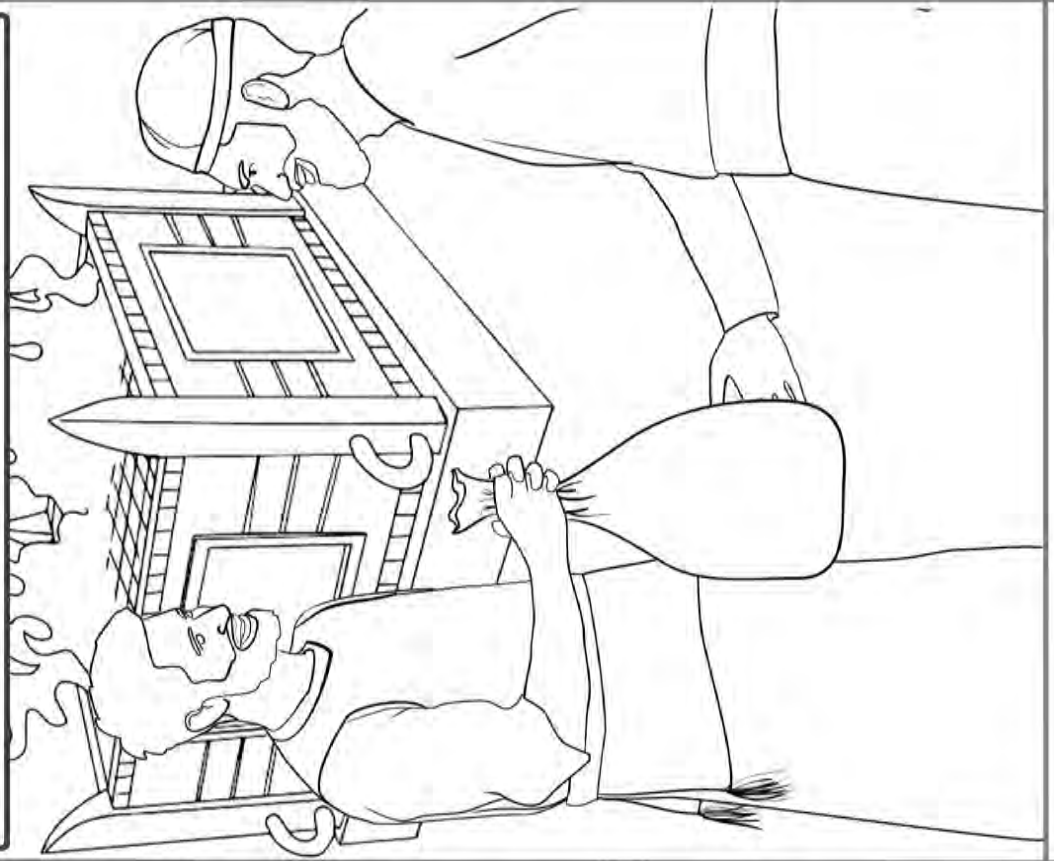




"And now, see, I have brought the first-fruits of the land which You, O Yahweh, have given me.' Then you shall place it before Yahweh your Elohim, and bow down before Yahweh your Elohim, and shall rejoice in all the good which Yahweh your Elohim has given to you and your house, you and the Lēwite and the stranger who is among you." - Deuteronomy 26:10-11



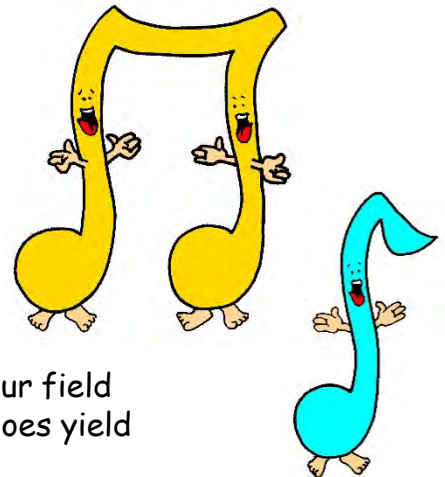
"When you have completed tithing all the tithe of your increase in the third year... then you shall say before Yahweh your Elohim, 'I have put away the set-apart portion from my house, and also have given it to the Lēwite, and to the stranger, and to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all Your command which You have commanded me. I have not transgressed Your commands, nor have I forgotten...' - Deuteronomy 26:12-13



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

Eretz Yisra'el - land of Israel

Mitzvah - command (often referred to as good deed)

Bikkurim - first-fruits

Mitzvot - commandments

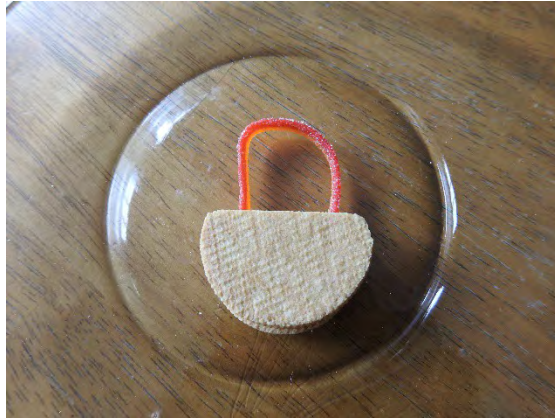
Hayom hazeh nihyesa le'am - "This day you have become the people of Yahweh your Elohim" (Deut. 27:9)

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 B/Gadol: Deuteronomy 30:19