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Va'etchanan

“Ask for mercy/Sabbath of comfort”

Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11

Isaiah 40:1-26

Luke 3:2-15



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TORAH PORTION

Isaiah 40:1,2 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: For she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

Psalms 137:1,2 By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, yea, we wept, when we remembered Zion. We hung our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.

Matthew 5:11 Blessed are they that mourn: For **they shall be comforted**.

Romans 12:15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.

2Corinthians 1:3,4 Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all **comfort**, Who **comforts** us in all our tribulation, that **we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble**, by the **comfort** wherewith we ourselves are **comforted of God**.

Lamentations 1:2 She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks: Among all her lovers she hath none to comfort her: All her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they are become her enemies.

Lamentations 3:21-23 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope. Surely the LORD'S mercies are not consumed, surely His compassions fail not. They are new every morning, great is Thy faithfulness.

Deuteronomy 3:23-25 I begged the LORD at that, saying, Lord the LORD, you have begun to show your servant your greatness, and your strong hand: For what god is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to your works, and according to your mighty acts? Please let me go over and see the good land that is beyond the Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon.

Deuteronomy 3:26,27 But the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, and didn't listen to me, and the LORD said to me, Let it suffice you, speak no more to me of this matter. Go up to the top of Pisgah, and lift up your eyes westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward, and see with your eyes: for you shall not go over this Jordan.

Deuteronomy 4:1,2 Now, Israel, listen to the statutes and to the ordinances, which I teach you, to do them, that you may live, and go in and possess the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, gives you. You shall not add to the word which I command you, neither shall you diminish from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

Genesis 2:24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: And they shall be one flesh.

Deuteronomy 4:4 But you that did cleave unto the LORD your God are alive every one of you this day.

Deuteronomy 4:5-8 Behold, I have taught you statutes and ordinances, even as the LORD my God commanded me, that you should do so in the midst of the land where you go in to possess it. **Keep** therefore and **do** them, for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who shall hear all these statutes, and say, Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people. For what great nation is there, that has a god so near to them, as the LORD our God is whenever we call on him? What great nation is there, that has statutes and ordinances so righteous as all this law, which I set before you this day?

Deuteronomy 4:9 Only take heed to yourself, and keep your soul diligently, lest you forget the things which your eyes have seen, and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life: But teach them to your sons, and your sons' sons.

Deuteronomy 4:28-31 But from there you will seek the Lord your God and you will find him, if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul. **When you are in tribulation**, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, you will return to the Lord your God and obey his voice. For the Lord your God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that he swore to them.

Deuteronomy 5:29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they would fear me, and keep all my commandments always, that it might be well with them, and with their children forever!

1John 2:3-6 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments. He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: Hereby know we that we are in him. He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

1John 3:24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

1John 5:2,3 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: And his commandments are not grievous.

Deuteronomy 6:4,5 Hear, Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD is one: And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.

Aleph and ayin are both silent what difference does it make?!

Deuteronomy 6:6-9 These words, which I command you this day, **shall be on your heart**, and you shall teach them **diligently** to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them for a sign on your hand, and they shall be for symbols between your eyes. You shall write them on the **doorposts** of your house, and on your gates.

Deuteronomy 6:24,25 The LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, **to fear the LORD our God, for our good always**, that he might preserve us alive, as at this day. It shall be righteousness to us, if we observe to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as he has commanded us.

Deuteronomy 7:9 Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations.

Haftarah

John 1:23 He said, I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord, as said the prophet Isaiah.

Isaiah 40:3,4 The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, **Prepare ye the way of the LORD**, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low: And the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain.

Isaiah 40:5 And the Glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it(him) together: For the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

(JPS) **Isaiah 40:5** The **Presence of the Lord shall appear**, And **all flesh, as one, shall Behold**—For the Lord Himself has spoken.

John 1:29a The next day, he saw Yeshua coming to him, and said, **Behold, the Lamb of God,**

John 1:14 And **the Word was made flesh**, and dwelt among us, (and we **Beheld His Glory**, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Isaiah 40:6-9 The voice said, Cry. And he said, What shall I cry? All flesh is grass, and all the goodness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: Because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: Surely the people are grass. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: But the Word of our God shall stand for ever. **O Zion**, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain, **O Jerusalem**, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength, lift it up, be not afraid, say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!

ZECHARIAH

Nehemiah 12:1-4 Now these are the priests and the Levites who went up with Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, and **Jeshua**: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra, Amariah, Malluch, Hattush, Shecaniah, Rehum, Meremoth, **Iddo**, Ginnethoi, Abijah.

Zechariah 2:3,4 And, behold, the angel that spoke with me went forth, and another angel went out to meet him, and said unto him: Run, speak to this **young man**, saying: Jerusalem shall be inhabited without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein.

Ezra 1:1-3 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying: Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth hath the LORD, the God of heaven, given me, and He hath charged me to build Him a house in Jerusalem, which is in Judah. Whosoever there is among you of all His people-his God be with him--let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of the LORD, the God of Israel, He is the God who is in Jerusalem.

Ezra 1:7-11 Also Cyrus the king brought forth the vessels of the house of the LORD, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had put them in the house of his gods, even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto **Sheshbazzar**, the prince of Judah. And this is the number of them: thirty basins of gold, a thousand basins of silver, nine and twenty knives, thirty bowls of gold, silver bowls of a second sort four hundred and ten, and other vessels a thousand. **All the vessels of gold and of silver were five thousand and four hundred**. All these did **Sheshbazzar** bring up, when they of the captivity were brought up from Babylon unto Jerusalem.

Ezra 3:1-6 And when the **seventh month** was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem. Then stood up Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and **builded the altar of the God of Israel, to**

offer burnt-offerings thereon, as it is written in the Law of Moses the man of God. And they set the altar upon its bases, for fear was upon them because of the people of the countries, and **they offered burnt-offerings thereon unto the LORD, even burnt-offerings morning and evening.** And they kept the feast of tabernacles, as it is written, and **offered the daily burnt-offerings by number,** according to the ordinance, as the duty of every day required, and afterward **the continual burnt-offering, and the offerings of the new moons, and of all the appointed seasons** of the LORD that were hallowed, and of every one that willingly offered a freewill-offering unto the LORD. **From the first day of the seventh month** began they to offer burnt-offerings unto the LORD, **but the foundation of the temple of the LORD was not yet laid.**

Ezra 3:8-10 Now in the **second year** of their coming unto the house of God at Jerusalem, in the second month, **began Zerubbabel** the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the rest of their brethren the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity unto Jerusalem, and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to have the oversight of the work of the house of the LORD. Then stood Jeshua with his sons and his brethren, and Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of Judah, together, to have the oversight of the workmen in the house of God, the sons of Henadad also, with their sons and their brethren the Levites. **And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple** of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, according to the direction of David king of Israel.

Ezra 4:1-5 Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity builded the temple unto the LORD God of Israel, Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said unto them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as ye do, and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither. But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said unto them, Ye have nothing to do with us to build an house unto our God, but we ourselves together will build unto the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia hath commanded us. Then the people of the land weakened the hands of the people of Judah, and troubled them in building, And hired counsellors against them, to frustrate their purpose, all the days of Cyrus king of Persia, even until the reign of Darius king of Persia.

Ezra 4:21-24 Make ye now a decree to cause these men to cease, and that this city be not builded, until a decree shall be made by me. And take heed that ye be not slack herein, why should damage grow to the hurt of the kings? Then when the copy of king Artaxerxes letter was read before Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions, they went in haste to Jerusalem unto the Jews, and **made them to cease by force and power.** Then ceased the work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem, and it ceased unto the **second year of the reign of Darius king of Persia.**

Ezra 5:1,2 Now the **prophets, Haggai the prophet, and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied** unto the Jews that were in Judah and Jerusalem, in the name of the God of Israel prophesied they unto them. Then rose up **Zerubbabel** the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and began to build the house of God which is at Jerusalem, and with them were the prophets of God, helping them.

Haggai 1:1-4 In the **second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, on the first day of the month**, came the word of the Lord by Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, ruler of Judah, and to Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, saying, These are the words of the Lord of armies: These people say, **The time has not come** for building the Lord's house. Then the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying, Is it a time for you to be living in roofed houses while this house is a waste?

Haggai 1:14,15 And **the spirit of Zerubbabel**, the son of Shealtiel, ruler of Judah, was moved by the Lord, as was **the spirit of Joshua**, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and **the spirit of all the rest of the people**, and they came and **did work in the house of the Lord** of armies, their God. On the **twenty-fourth day of the month, in the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king**.

Genesis 1:2 And the earth was waste and without form, and it was dark on the face of the deep: And the Spirit of God was moving on the face of the waters.

Haggai 2:1-3 In the **seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month**, the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying, Say now to Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, ruler of Judah, and to Joshua, the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the rest of the people, Who is there still among you who saw this house in its first glory? And how do you see it now? Is it not in your eyes as nothing?

Haggai 2:6 For this is what the Lord of armies has said: In a short time I will make a shaking of the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land.

Haggai 2:10 **On the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, in the second year of Darius**, the word of the Lord came by Haggai the prophet, saying.

Haggai 2:18-21 And the word of the Lord came a second time to Haggai, **on the twenty-fourth day of the month**, saying, Say to Zerubbabel, ruler of Judah, **I will make a shaking of the heavens and the earth**.

Ezra 6:14,15 And the elders of the Jews builded, and they prospered through the **prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo**. And they builded, and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the

commandment of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia. And this house was finished on the **third day of the month Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king.**

Zechariah 1:1 In the **eighth month**, in the **second year of Darius**, came the word of the LORD unto **Zechariah**, the **son of Berechiah**, the **son of Iddo the prophet**, saying.

Zechariah 1:2,3 The LORD hath been **sore displeased** with your fathers. Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts: **Return unto Me, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will return unto you**, saith the LORD of hosts.

Zechariah 1:15,16 and I am **very sore displeased** with **the nations** that are at ease, for I was but a little displeased, and they helped for evil. Therefore thus saith the LORD: **I return to Jerusalem** with compassions: **My house shall be built** in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth over Jerusalem.

Zechariah 1:4 Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former prophets proclaimed, saying: Thus saith the LORD of hosts: Return ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings, but they did not hear, nor attend unto Me, saith the LORD.

Zechariah 1:5,6 Your fathers, where are they? And the prophets, do they live for ever? But My words and My statutes, which I commanded My servants the prophets, did they not overtake your fathers? So that they turned and said: Like as the LORD of hosts purposed to do unto us, according to our ways, and according to our doings, so hath He dealt with us.

Isaiah 55:6,7 Seek ye the LORD while He may be found, call ye upon Him while He is near, Let the wicked forsake his way, and the man of iniquity his thoughts, and let him return unto the LORD, and He will have compassion upon him, and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Jeremiah 3:12-14 Go and proclaim these words toward the north, and say, **Return, thou backsliding Israel**, saith the LORD, and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: For I am merciful, saith the LORD, and I will not keep anger forever. Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD. **Turn, O backsliding children**, saith the LORD, for I am married unto you: And I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion.

Ezekiel 18:31,32 Cast away from you all your transgressions, whereby ye have transgressed, and make you a new heart and a new spirit: For why will ye die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth, saith the Lord GOD: **Wherefore turn yourselves,** and live ye.

Hosea 14:1 O Israel, **return unto the LORD** thy God, for thou hast fallen by thine iniquity. Take with you words, and turn to the LORD: Say unto him, Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously.

Joel 2:12,13 Therefore also now, saith the LORD, **turn ye even to me** with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: For he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.

Amos 5:4 For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel, **Seek ye me, and ye shall live.**

2Kings 17:13-15 Yet the LORD testified against Israel, and against Judah, by all the prophets, and by all the seers, saying, Turn ye from your evil ways, and keep my commandments and my statutes, according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets. Notwithstanding they **would not hear**, but **hardened their necks**, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God. And they **rejected his statutes**, and **his covenant** that he made with their fathers, and **his testimonies** which he testified against them, and they followed vanity, and became vain, and went after the heathen that were round about them, concerning whom the LORD had charged them, that they should not do like them

2Chronicles 36:14-17 Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen, and polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed in Jerusalem. And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending, because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place: **But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets**, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy. Therefore, he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: He gave them all into his hand.

Matthew 21:34-40 And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it. And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants more than the first: And they did unto them likewise. But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. But when the

husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir, come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.

And they caught him, and cast him out of the vineyard, and slew him. When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh, what will he do unto those husbandmen?

Matthew 3:1,2 In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, And saying, **Repent** ye: For the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Matthew 4:17 From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, **Repent**: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

Luke 24:45-47 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behooved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: And that **repentance** and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Announcements

July 29 Manna Time

July 31 Oneg after service

August 9 Rosh Chodesh, New Moon Teaching of Elul at 7:00p.m on August 8th.
Forty Days of repentance begins.

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