

Numbers Chapter 13 בְּמִדְבַּר שְׁלַח-לָךְ

- א** 1 God spoke to Moses, saying:
וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוָה, אֶל-מֹשֶׁה
לֵאמֹר.
- ב** 2 'Send men, that they may spy out the
אֶת-אֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן, אֲשֶׁר-אֲנִי נֹתֵן,
לְבְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: אִישׁ אֶחָד אִישׁ
אֶחָד לְמִטָּה אֲבֹתָיו, וְתִשְׁלַחוּ--
כָּל, נָשִׂיא בָהֶם.
- ג** 3 And Moses sent them from the
וַיִּשְׁלַח אֹתָם מֹשֶׁה מִמִּדְבַּר
פָּאֲרָן, עַל-פִּי יְהוָה: כְּכֹל
אֲנָשִׁים, רָאשֵׁי בְנֵי-יִשְׂרָאֵל
הַמָּה.
- ד** 4 These were their names: of the tribe of
וְאֵלֶּה, שְׁמוֹתָם: לְמִטָּה
רְאוּבֵן, שְׁמוּעַ בֶּן-זַכּוּר.
- ה** 5 Of the tribe of Simeon, Shaphat ben
לְמִטָּה שִׁמְעוֹן, שָׁפַט בֶּן-
חֹרִי.
- ו** 6 Of the tribe of Judah, Caleb ben
לְמִטָּה יְהוּדָה, כָּלֵב בֶּן-
יִפְנֵה.
- ז** 7 Of the tribe of Issachar, Yigal ben
לְמִטָּה יִשָּׂשכָר, יִגָּאל בֶּן-
יוֹסֵף.
- ח** 8 Of the tribe of Ephraim, Hoshea ben
לְמִטָּה אֶפְרַיִם, הוֹשֵׁעַ בֶּן-
נוּן.
- ט** 9 Of the tribe of Benjamin, Palti ben
לְמִטָּה בִּנְיָמִן, פִּלְטִי בֶּן-
רַפּוּא.
- י** 10 Of the tribe of Zebulun, Gaddiel ben
לְמִטָּה זְבוּלֹן, גַּדִּיאל בֶּן-
סוּדִי.
- יא** 11 Of the tribe of Joseph, namely, of the
לְמִטָּה יוֹסֵף, לְמִטָּה
מְנַשֶּׁה--גַּדִּי, בֶּן-סוּסִי.
- יב** 12 Of the tribe of Dan, Ammiel ben
לְמִטָּה דָן, עַמִּיאל בֶּן-
גַּמְלִי.

- 13 Of the tribe of Asher, Sethur ben Michael.
יג לְמִטָּה אָשֶׁר, סֶתוּר בֶּן-מִיכָאֵל.
- 14 Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi ben Vophsi.
יד לְמִטָּה נַפְתָּלִי, נַחְבִּי בֶן-וּפְסִי.
- 15 Of the tribe of Gad, Geuel ben Machi.
טו לְמִטָּה גָּד, גְּאוּאֵל בֶּן-מָכִי.
- 16 These are the names of the men that Moses sent to spy out the land. And Moses called Hoshea bin Nun Joshua.
טז אֵלֶּה שְׁמוֹת הָאֲנָשִׁים, אֲשֶׁר-שָׁלַח מֹשֶׁה לְתוֹר אֶת-הָאָרֶץ; וַיִּקְרָא מֹשֶׁה לְהוֹשֵׁעַ בֶּן-נוּן, יְהוֹשֻׁעַ.
- 17 And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said to them: 'Get you up here into the South, and go up into the mountains;
יז וַיִּשְׁלַח אֹתָם מֹשֶׁה, לְתוֹר אֶת-אֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן; וַיֹּאמֶר, אֲלֵהֶם, עָלוּ זֶה בְּהַרְבֵּי, וְעַלִּיתֶם, אֶת-הַהָר.
- 18 and see the land, what it is like; and the people that dwell therein, whether they are strong or weak, whether they are few or many;
יח וּרְאִיתֶם אֶת-הָאָרֶץ, מַה-הוּא; וְאֶת-הָעָם, הַיֹּשֵׁב עָלֶיהָ--הַחֲזָק הוּא הַרְפָּה, הַמְעַט הוּא אִם-רַב.
- 19 and what the land is that they dwell in, whether it is good or bad; and what cities they are that they dwell in, whether in camps, or in strongholds;
יט וּמָה הָאָרֶץ, אֲשֶׁר-הוּא יוֹשֵׁב בָּהּ--הַטּוֹבָה הוּא, אִם-רָעָה; וּמָה הָעָרִים, אֲשֶׁר-הוּא יוֹשֵׁב בָּהֶנָּה--הַבְּמַחֲנִים, אִם בְּמִבְצָרִים.
- 20 and what the land is, whether it is fat or lean, whether there is wood therein, or not. And be you of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land.'--Now the time was the time of the first-ripe grapes.--
כ וּמָה הָאָרֶץ הַשְּׂמֵנָה הוּא אִם-רָזָה, הַיֵּשׁ-בָּהּ עֵץ אִם-אֵין, וְהִתְחַזְּקוּתְכֶם, וּלְקַחְתֶּם מִפְּרֵי הָאָרֶץ; וְהַיְמִים--יְמֵי, בְּכוּרֵי עֲנָבִים.
- 21 So they went up, and spied out the land from the wilderness of Zin to Rehob, at the entrance to Hamath.
כא וַיַּעֲלוּ, וַיִּתְרוּ אֶת-הָאָרֶץ, מִמִּדְבַּר-צִן עַד-רְחֹב, לְבֵאֵת חַמַּת.

כב וַיַּעֲלוּ בְּנֵגֶב, וַיָּבֹאוּ עַד-
חֶבְרוֹן, וְשֵׁם אַחִימָן שֵׁשַׁי
וְתַלְמַי, יְלִידֵי הָעֵנָק; וְחֶבְרוֹן,
שֶׁבַע שָׁנִים נִבְנְתָה, לִפְנֵי, צֵעַן
מִצְרַיִם. **22** And they went up into the South, and
came to Hebron; and Ahiman, Sheshai,
and Talmai, the children of Anak, were
there.-- Hebron was built seven years
before Zoan in Egypt.--

כג וַיָּבֹאוּ עַד-נַחַל אֶשְׁכּוֹל,
וַיִּכְרְתוּ מִשָּׁם זְמוּרָה וְאֶשְׁכּוֹל
עֲנָבִים אֶחָד, וַיִּשְׂאֶהוּ בְמוֹט,
בְּשָׁנִים; וּמִן-הָרְמָנִים, וּמִן-
הַתְּאֵנִים. **23** And they came to the valley of Eshcol,
and cut down from thence a branch with
one cluster of grapes, and they carried it
upon a pole between two; they took also
of the pomegranates, and of the figs.--

כד לַמָּקוֹם הַהוּא, קָרָא נַחַל
אֶשְׁכּוֹל, עַל אֲדוֹת הָאֶשְׁכּוֹל,
אֲשֶׁר-כָּרְתוּ מִשָּׁם בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל.
24 That place was called the valley of
Eshcol, because of the cluster which the
children of Israel cut down from
thence.—

כה וַיָּשִׁבוּ, מִתּוֹר הָאָרֶץ,
מִקָּץ, אַרְבָּעִים יוֹם. **25** And they returned from spying out
the land at the end of forty days.

כו וַיֵּלְכוּ וַיָּבֹאוּ אֶל-מֹשֶׁה
וְאֶל-אַהֲרֹן וְאֶל-כָּל-עֵדֹת בְּנֵי-
יִשְׂרָאֵל, אֶל-מִדְבַּר פָּאֲרָן--
קַדְשָׁה; וַיִּשְׁיבוּ אֲתָם דָּבָר
וְאֶת-כָּל-הָעֵדָה, וַיִּרְאוּם אֶת-
פְּרֵי הָאָרֶץ. **26** And they went and came to Moses,
and to Aaron, and to all the community
of the children of Israel, to the
wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and
brought back word to them, and to all
the community, and showed them the
fruit of the land.

כז וַיִּסְפְּרוּ-לוֹ, וַיֹּאמְרוּ,
בָּאֲנוּ, אֶל-הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר
שָׁלַחְתָּנוּ; וְגַם זָבַת חֶלֶב
וּדְבַשׁ, הִוא--וְזֶה-פְּרִיָּהּ. **27** And they told him, and said: 'We
came to the land whither you sent us,
and surely it flows with milk and honey;
and this is the fruit of it.

כח אָפֶס כִּי-עַז הָעָם, הַיֹּשֵׁב
בָּאָרֶץ; וְהָעָרִים, בְּצִירוֹת גְּדֹלֹת
מְאֹד, וְגַם-יְלִידֵי הָעֵנָק, רָאִינוּ
שָׁם. **28** However, the people that dwell in the
land are fierce, and the cities are
fortified, and very great; moreover we
saw the children of Anak there.

כט עַמְלֵק יוֹשֵׁב, בָּאָרֶץ
הַנֶּגֶב; וְהַחִתִּי וְהַיְבוּסִי **29** Amalek dwells in the land of the
South; and the Hittite, and the Jebusite,

וְהָאֱמֹרִי, יוֹשֵׁב בְּהָר, וְהַכְּנַעֲנִי
יֹשֵׁב עַל-הַיָּם, וְעַל יַד הַיַּרְדֵּן.
and the Amorite dwell in the mountains;
and the Canaanite dwells by the sea, and
along by the side of the Jordan.'

ל וַיַּחֲסֵם כָּל־בְּנֵי אֶת-הָעָם, אֶל-
מֹשֶׁה; וַיֹּאמֶר, עֲלֵה נַעֲלֶה
וְיִרְשָׁנוּ אֶתְּהָ--כִּי-יָכוֹל נוֹכַח
לָהּ.
30 And Caleb stilled the people toward
Moses, and said: 'We should go up at
once, and possess it; for we are well able
to overcome it.'

לא וְהָאֲנָשִׁים אֲשֶׁר-עָלוּ עִמּוֹ,
אָמְרוּ, לֹא נוֹכַח, לַעֲלוֹת אֶל-
הָעָם: כִּי-חֲזָק הוּא, מִמֶּנּוּ.
31 But the men that went up with him
said: 'We are not able to go up against
the people; for they are stronger than
we.'

לב וַיִּצְיֵאוּ דְבַר הָאָרֶץ, אֲשֶׁר
תָּרוּ אֶתְּהָ, אֶל-בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל,
לֵאמֹר: הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר עָבְרָנוּ
בָּהּ לְתוֹר אֶתְּהָ, אָרֶץ אֹכֶלֶת
יֹשְׁבֵיהָ הוּא, וְכָל-הָעָם אֲשֶׁר-
רָאִינוּ בְּתוֹכָהּ, אַנְשֵׁי מְדוֹת.
32 And they spread an evil report of the
land which they had spied out to the
children of Israel, saying: 'The land,
through which we have passed to spy it
out, is a land that eats up its inhabitants;
and all the people that we saw in it are
men of great stature.'

לג וַשָּׂם רָאִינוּ, אֶת-הַנְּפִלִים
בְּנֵי עֲנָק--מִן-הַנְּפִלִים; וַנְּהִי
בְּעֵינֵינוּ כַּחֲגָבִים, וַיְהִי
בְּעֵינֵיהֶם.
33 And there we saw the Nephilim, the
sons of Anak, who come of the Nephilim;
and we were in our own sight as
grasshoppers, and so we were in their
sight.'

HAFTARAH SHELACH LECHA JOSHUA CHAPTER 2

Joshua son of Nun secretly sent two spies from Shittim, saying, "Go, reconnoiter the region of Jericho." So, they set out, and came to the house of an innkeeper named Rahab and lodged there.

The king of Jericho was told, "Some men have come here tonight, Israelites, to spy out the country."

The king of Jericho thereupon sent orders to Rahab: "Bring out the men who came to you and entered your house, for they have come to spy out the whole country."

The woman, however, had taken the two men and hidden them. "It is true," she said, "the men did come to me, but I didn't know where they were from."

When the gate was about to be closed at dark, the men left; and I don't know where the men went. Quick, go after them, for you can overtake them." —

So, the men pursued them in the direction of the Jordan down to the fords; and no sooner had the pursuers gone out than the gate was shut behind them. Now she had taken the men up to the roof and hidden them under stalks of flax which she had lying on the roof.

The spies had not yet gone to sleep when she came up to them on the roof.

She said to the men, "I know that God has given the country to you, because dread of you has fallen upon us, and all the inhabitants of the land are melting before you."

For we have heard how God dried up the waters of the Sea of Reeds for you when you left Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two Amorite kings across the Jordan, whom you doomed.

When we heard about it, we lost heart, and no man had any more spirit left because of you; for the Eternal your God is the only God in

Now, since I have shown loyalty to you, swear to me by the LORD that you in turn will show loyalty to my family. Provide me with a reliable sign that you will spare the lives of my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and save us from death."

The men answered her, “Our persons are pledged for yours, even to death! If you do not disclose this mission of ours, we will show you true loyalty when God gives us the land.”

She let them down by a rope through the window—for her dwelling was at the outer side of the city wall and she lived in the actual wall.

She said to them, “Make for the hills, so that the pursuers may not come upon you. Stay there in hiding three days, until the pursuers return; then go your way.”

But the men warned her, “We will be released from this oath which you have made us take :[unless,] when we invade the country, you tie this length of crimson cord to the window through which you let us down. Bring your father, your mother, your brothers, and all your family together in your house; and if anyone ventures outside the doors of your house, his blood will be on his head, and we shall be clear. But if a hand is laid on anyone who remains in the house with you, his blood shall be on our heads. And if you disclose this mission of ours, we shall likewise be released from the oath which you made us take.”

She replied, “Let it be as you say.” She sent them on their way, and they left; and she tied the crimson cord to the window.

They went straight to the hills and stayed there three days, until the pursuers turned back. And so, the pursuers, searching all along the road, did not find them. Then the two men came down again from the hills and crossed over. They came to Joshua son of Nun and reported to him all that had happened to them.

They said to Joshua, “God has delivered the whole land into our power; in fact, all the inhabitants of the land are melting before us.”