

Shabbat Zachor

Vayikra, Benny Dickson's Bar-Mitzvah

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TORAH PORTION

Leviticus 1:1-17

(1) יהוה called to Moses and spoke to him from the Tent of Meeting, saying: (2) Speak to the Israelite people, and say to them: When any of you presents an offering of cattle to יהוה: You shall choose your offering from the herd or from the flock. (3) If your offering is a burnt offering from the herd, you shall make your offering a male without blemish. You shall bring it to the entrance of the Tent of Meeting, for acceptance in your behalf before יהוה. (4) You shall lay a hand upon the head of the burnt offering, that it may be acceptable in your behalf, in expiation for you. (5) The bull shall be slaughtered before יהוה; and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall offer the blood, dashing the blood against all sides of the altar which is at the entrance of the Tent of Meeting. (6) The burnt offering shall be flayed and cut up into sections. (7) The sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire on the altar and lay out wood

ויקרא א' א'-י"ז

(א) ויקרא אל־מֹשֶׁה וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוָה
 אֵלָיו מֵאֵהָל מוֹעֵד לֵאמֹר: (ב) דַּבֵּר
 אֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל וְאָמַרְתָּ אֲלֵהֶם אָדָם
 כִּי־יִקְרִיב מִכֶּם קֶרְבָּן לַיהוָה מִן־
 הַבְּהֵמָה מִן־הַבָּקָר וּמִן־הַצֹּאן
 תִּקְרִיבוּ אֶת־קֶרְבַּנְכֶם: (ג) אִם־עֹלָה
 קֶרְבָּנוּ מִן־הַבָּקָר זָכָר תָּמִים
 יִקְרִיבֵנוּ אֶל־פֶּתַח אֵהָל מוֹעֵד יִקְרִיב
 אֹתוֹ לְרֹצֵנוּ לִפְנֵי יְהוָה: (ד) וְסָמַךְ
 יָדוֹ עַל רֹאשׁ הָעֹלָה וְנִרְצָה לוֹ לְכַפֵּר
 עָלָיו: (ה) וְשָׁחַט אֶת־בָּנוּ הַבָּקָר לִפְנֵי
 יְהוָה וְהִקְרִיבוּ בְּנֵי אֹהֶל הַכֹּהֲנִים
 אֶת־הַדָּם וְזָרְקוּ אֶת־הַדָּם עַל־
 הַמִּזְבֵּחַ סָבִיב אֲשֶׁר־פֶּתַח אֵהָל
 מוֹעֵד: (ו) וְהִפְשִׁיט אֶת־הָעֹלָה וְנִתַח
 אֹתָהּ לְנִתְחֶיהָ: (ז) וְנִתְּנוּ בְּנֵי אֹהֶל

upon the fire; (8) and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall lay out the sections, with the head and the suet, on the wood that is on the fire upon the altar. (9) Its entrails and legs shall be washed with water, and the priest shall turn the whole into smoke on the altar as a burnt offering, an offering by fire of pleasing odor to יהוה. (10) If your offering for a burnt offering is from the flock, of sheep or of goats, you shall make your offering a male without blemish. (11) It shall be slaughtered before יהוה on the north side of the altar, and Aaron's sons, the priests, shall dash its blood against all sides of the altar. (12) When it has been cut up into sections, the priest shall lay them out, with the head and the suet, on the wood that is on the fire upon the altar. (13) The entrails and the legs shall be washed with water; the priest shall offer up and turn the whole into smoke on the altar. It is a burnt offering, an offering by fire, of pleasing odor to יהוה. (14) If your offering to יהוה is a burnt offering of birds, you shall choose your offering from turtledoves or pigeons. (15) The priest shall bring it to the altar, pinch off its head, and turn it into smoke on the altar; and its blood shall be drained out against the side of the altar. (16) He shall remove its crop with its contents, and cast it

הִפְתִּיחוּ אֶשׁ עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וְעָרְכוּ עֲצִים
עַל־הָאֵשׁ: (ח) וְעָרְכוּ בְּגִי אֹהֶל
הַכֹּהֲנִים אֶת הַנֶּתְחִים אֶת־הָרֹאשׁ
וְאֶת־הַפָּדָר עַל־הָעֲצִים אֲשֶׁר עַל־
הָאֵשׁ אֲשֶׁר עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: (ט) וְקָרְבוּ
וְכָרְעוּ יָרְחָץ בַּמַּיִם וְהִקְטִיר הַכֹּהֵן
אֶת־הַכֹּל הַמִּזְבֵּחַה עֲלֶה אִשָּׁה רֵיח־
נִיחֹחַ לַיהוָה: { ס } (י) וְאִם־
מִן־הַצֹּאן קָרְבָּנוּ מִן־הַכְּשָׂבִים אֹו מִן־
הָעִזִּים לְעֹלָה זָכָר תָּמִים יִקְרִיבֵנוּ:
(יא) וְשָׁחַט אֹתוֹ עַל יָרֵךְ הַמִּזְבֵּחַ
צָפֹנָה לְפָנָי יְהוָה וְזָרְקוּ בְּגִי אֹהֶל
הַכֹּהֲנִים אֶת־דָּמוֹ עַל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ סָבִיב:
(יב) וְנִתַּח אֹתוֹ לְנִתְחָיו וְאֶת־רֹאשׁוֹ
וְאֶת־פָּדָרוֹ וְעִבְדוֹ הַכֹּהֵן אֲתָם עַל־
הָעֲצִים אֲשֶׁר עַל־הָאֵשׁ אֲשֶׁר עַל־
הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: (יג) וְהִקְרַב וְהִכְרַעַם
יָרְחָץ בַּמַּיִם וְהִקְרִיב הַכֹּהֵן אֶת־הַכֹּל
וְהִקְטִיר הַמִּזְבֵּחַה עֲלֶה הוּא אִשָּׁה
רֵיח־נִיחֹחַ לַיהוָה: { פ }
(יד) וְאִם מִן־הָעוֹף עֲלֶה קָרְבָּנוּ
לַיהוָה וְהִקְרִיב מִן־הַתּוֹרִים אֹו מִן־
בְּגִי הַיּוֹנָה אֶת־קָרְבָּנוֹ: (טו)

into the place of the ashes, at the east side of the altar. (17) The priest shall tear it open by its wings, without severing it, and turn it into smoke on the altar, upon the wood that is on the fire. It is a burnt offering, an offering by fire, of pleasing odor to יהוה.

וְהִקְרִיבוּ הַכֹּהֵן אֶל־הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וּמִלֵּק
אֶת־רֹאשׁוֹ וְהִקְטִיר הַמִּזְבֵּחַ וְנִמְצָה
דָּמוֹ עַל קִיר הַמִּזְבֵּחַ: (טז) וְהִסִּיר
אֶת־מְרָאָתוֹ בְּנִצְתָהּ וְהִשְׁלִיךְ אֹתָהּ
אֶצְל הַמִּזְבֵּחַ לְקֹדֶמָה אֶל־מִקְוֹם
הַדָּשָׁן: (יז) וְשִׁטַּע אֹתוֹ בְּכַנְפָיו לֹא
יְבַדִּיל וְהִקְטִיר אֹתוֹ הַכֹּהֵן הַמִּזְבֵּחַ
עַל־הָעֵצִים אֲשֶׁר עַל־הָאֵשׁ עֲלֶה הוּא
אִשָּׁה רַיַח נִיחַח לַיהוָה: { ס }

MAFTIR

Leviticus 5:24-26

(24) or anything else about which one swore falsely, that person shall repay the principal amount and add a fifth part to it. One shall pay it to its owner upon realizing guilt. (25) Then that person shall bring to the priest, as a penalty to יהוה, a ram without blemish from the flock, or the equivalent, as a guilt offering. (26) The priest shall make expiation before יהוה on behalf of that person, who shall be forgiven for whatever was done to draw blame thereby.

וּיִקְרָא ה' כִּי־ד-כִּי
(כד) אֹו מִכָּל אֲשֶׁר־יִשָּׁבַע עָלָיו
לְשֹׁקֵר וְשָׁלֵם אֹתוֹ בְּרֹאשׁוֹ וְחִמְשִׁתּוֹ
יִסֹף עָלָיו לְאֲשֶׁר הוּא לוֹ וַיִּתְּנֵנוּ בְּיוֹם
אֲשַׁמְתּוֹ: (כה) וְאֶת־אֲשָׁמוֹ יָבִיא
לַיהוָה אֵיל תְּמִים מִן־הַצֹּאן בְּעֶרְכָּךְ
לְאֲשֶׁם אֶל־הַכֹּהֵן: (כו) וְכָפַר עָלָיו
הַכֹּהֵן לִפְנֵי יְהוָה וְנִסְלַח לוֹ עַל־אֲחַת
מִכָּל אֲשֶׁר־יַעֲשֶׂה לְאֲשָׁמָה בָּהּ: { פ }

SECOND SCROLL

Deuteronomy 25:17-19

(17) Remember what Amalek did to you on your journey, after you left Egypt— (18) how, undeterred by fear of God, he surprised you on the march, when you were famished and weary, and cut down all the stragglers in your rear. (19) Therefore, when your God יהוה grants you safety from all your enemies around you, in the land that your God יהוה is giving you as a hereditary portion, you shall blot out the memory of Amalek from under heaven. Do not forget!

דברים כ"ה: י"ז-י"ט

יז) זְכוֹר אֶת אֲשֶׁר־עָשָׂה לְךָ עַמְלֵק
 בְּדַרְדָּךְ בְּצֵאתְכֶם מִמִּצְרָיִם: (יח)
 אֲשֶׁר קָרָךְ בְּדַרְדָּךְ וַיִּזְנֹב בְּךָ כֹּל־
 הַנֶּחֱשָׁלִים אַחֲרֶיךָ וְאֶתָּה עֵינֶיךָ וַיִּגָּע
 וְלֹא יָרָא אֱלֹהִים: (יט) וְהָלָה בְּהַגִּיחַ
 יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְךָ מִכָּל־אֹיְבֶיךָ
 מִסָּבִיב בְּאֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ
 נֹתֵן לְךָ נַחֲלָה לְרִשְׁתָּהּ תִּמְחָה אֶת־
 זְכַר עַמְלֵק מִתַּחַת הַשָּׁמַיִם לֹא
 תִשְׁכַּח: {פ}

HAFTARAH READING

1 Samuel 30:1-18

By the time David and his men arrived in Ziklag, on the third day, the Amalekites had made a raid into the Negev and against Ziklag; they had stormed Ziklag and burned it down.

They had taken the women in it captive, low-born and high-born alike; they did not kill any, but carried them off and went their way.

When David and his men came to the town and found it burned down, and their wives and sons and daughters taken captive, David and the troops with him broke into tears, until they had no strength left for weeping.

David's two wives had been taken captive, Achinoam of Jezreel and Abigail wife of Naval from Carmel.

David was in great danger, for the troops threatened to stone him; for all the troops were embittered on account of their sons and daughters. But David sought strength in Adonai his God.

David said to the priest Abiatar son of Achimelech, "Bring the ephod up to me." When Abiatar brought up the ephod to David, David inquired of Adonai, "Shall I pursue those raiders? Will I overtake them?" And He answered him, "Pursue, for you shall overtake and you shall rescue."

So David and the six hundred men with him set out, and they came to the Wadi Besor, where a halt was made by those who were to be left behind. David continued the pursuit with four hundred men; two hundred men had halted, too faint to cross the Wadi Besor.

They came upon an Egyptian in the open country and brought him to David. They gave him food to eat and water to drink; he was also given a piece of pressed fig cake and two cakes of raisins. He ate and regained his strength, for he had eaten no food and drunk no water for three days and three nights.

Then David asked him, "To whom do you belong and where are you from?" "I am an Egyptian boy," he answered, "the slave of an Amalekite. My master abandoned me when I fell ill three days ago.

We had raided the Negev of the Cheretites, and [the Negev] of Judah, and the Negev of Caleb; we also burned down Ziklag."

And David said to him, "Can you lead me down to that band?" He replied, "Swear to me by God that you will not kill me or deliver me into my master's hands, and I will lead you down to that band."

So he led him down, and there they were, scattered all over the ground, eating and drinking and making merry because of all the vast spoil they had taken from the land of the Philistines and from the land of Judah.

David attacked them from before dawn until the evening of the next day; none of them escaped, except four hundred young men who mounted camels and got away.

David rescued everything the Amalekites had taken; David also rescued his two wives.