

## The Hebrew Corner

The book of Exodus describes the plight of the descendants of Israel, being mistreated at the hands of a ruthless dictator, Pharaoh, king of Egypt. This book chronicles not only their escape from Egypt, but also the detailed instructions as to the building and organization of the place where God would dwell to guide the Israelites in their journey through the wilderness. The ten statements that God gave to Moses to be presented to the Israelites are discussed in this book. These statements (commandments) provide a basis for moral behavior for all who have succeeded this generation.

The following is a translation from the original Hebrew into English of the book of Exodus. The reader should take note of the following explanatory items concerning this translation. Whenever an asterisk (\*) appears after “the Lord” or “God” in the text, this is referring to the Hebrew name of God יהוה, also known as the tetragrammaton. Two Hebrew words that have a meaning more broad in scope than an English word can represent are usually left untranslated; these are the Hebrew words shalom (שלום) and Torah (תורה). Words or letters in parentheses are added to clarify the meaning or make the grammar more correct in English. Words or phrases that appear in brackets are used to give clarity to the English translation that is evident in the Hebrew but not in English. The author would like to acknowledge that the Hebrew lexicon Brown-Driver-Briggs was used almost exclusively to determine the meaning of Biblical Hebrew words, and many phrases.

Enjoy your reading and God bless.

# Exodus (Sh'mot)

## Chapter 1

These are the names of the sons of Israel who came to Egypt. Each one and his household came with Jacob:

2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,

3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin.

4 Dan, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.

5 Every life that came out of the loins of Jacob were seventy lives, and Joseph was in Egypt.

6 Now Joseph died, all his brothers, and all that generation.

7 But the children of Israel were fruitful. They teemed, multiplied, and became very, very numerous, and the land was filled with them.

8 There rose up a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph,

9 And he said to his people, Behold, the people of the Israelites are more and mightier than us.

10 Come now, let us deal wisely with them, lest they multiply, and it happens that war ensues, and indeed they join themselves together with our enemies, and they wage war against us, and it ascends out of the land.

11 So they set over (them) overseers of the labor bands for the sake of afflicting (them) with their burdens, and (they) built the storage cities of Pharaoh: Pithom and Raamses.

12 But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied, and so they increased, and they felt a sickening dread from the presence of the Israelites.

13 So the Egyptians compelled the Israelites to serve with severity,

14 And they made their lives bitter with severe labor, in mortar, in brick, and in all work in the field, with all their service in which they labored with severity.

15 The king of Egypt also spoke to the Hebrew midwives, whom the name of the one was Shiprah, and the name of the second was Puah.

16 He said, When you assist the Hebrew women as a midwife, and you observe on the midwife's stools, if he is a son you will put him to death, and

if she is a daughter, then she may live.

17 But the midwives feared God, and did not do according to what the king of Egypt spoke to them, and they let the male children live.

18 So the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and said to them, Why did you do this thing, and let the male children live?

19 The midwives said to Pharaoh, Because the Hebrew women are not according to (the way of) the Egyptian women, for they are lively, and before the midwife would come to them, they would give birth.

20 But God was good to the midwives, and the people multiplied, and became very numerous,

21 And it happened that the midwives feared God, and he made families for them.

22 Now Pharaoh gave a command to all his people, saying, Every son who is born you must throw him into the Nile River, and every daughter you will let live.

## Chapter 2

There was a man from the house of Levi who went and took a daughter of Levi,

2 And the woman conceived and bore a son, and saw him, that he was pleasing, so she hid him three months.

3 When she was not able to hide him anymore, she took for him an ark of paper reeds, and covered (it) with asphalt. She put the child in it, and put (it) in the reeds upon the edge of the river.

4 Now his sister stood from a distance to know what would be done to him,

5 And the daughter of Pharaoh went down to the Nile River to bathe, and her maids were walking by the side of the river. Then she saw the ark in the middle of the reeds, sent her maidservant, and she took it up.

6 Then she opened (it), and saw the child. Now the young boy was weeping, and she took pity on him, and said, This is (one) of the Hebrew children.

7 Then his sister said to the daughter of Pharaoh, Should I go and summon for you a nursing woman from the Hebrew women, that she may nurse the

child for you?

8 So the daughter of Pharaoh said to her, Go ahead. Then the young woman went, and summoned the mother of the child.

9 The daughter of Pharaoh said to her, Take away this child and nurse him for me. I will pay your hire. So the woman took the child and nursed him.

10 So the child grew, and she brought him to the daughter of Pharaoh. He became to her for a son, and she called his name Moses, as she said, Because I drew him out from the water.

11 It happened in those days, that Moses grew, he went out to his kinsmen that he saw with their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian man beating a Hebrew man of his kinsmen.

12 So he turned here and there, saw that there was no one, and killed the Egyptian and hid him in the sand.

13 Then he went out on the next day, and now two Hebrew men were physically struggling, and he said to the guilty one, Why are you striking your fellow citizen?

14 And he said, What is your reputation, for (such) a one to be a ruler and a judge over us, (and) saying, Do you purpose to kill me, according to the way you killed the Egyptian? Now Moses was afraid, and he said, Surely the matter is known.

15 Now Pharaoh heard (of) this matter, and sought to kill Moses, so Moses fled from the presence of Pharaoh, dwelled in the land of Midian, and sat near the well.

16 Now the priest of Midian had seven daughters, and they came, drew (water), and filled the reservoirs to water the flock of their father.

17 Then the shepherds came, and drove them away, but Moses rose up and saved them, and watered their flock.

18 Then they came to Reuel, their father, and he said, Why did you hurry to come in today?

19 And they said, One of the Egyptians rescued us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also he abundantly drew (water) for us, and watered the flock.

20 He said to his daughters, Where then is he? Why is this, (that) you left the man? Give an invitation to him, so that he may eat food.

21 So Moses was willing to dwell with the man, and he gave Zipporah, his daughter, to Moses.

22 She bore a son, and he called his name Gershom, because he said, I have been a sojourner [Hebrew: gayr] in a foreign land.

23 So it was during these many days, that the king of Egypt died, and the Israelites groaned on account of the servitude. They cried out, and their cry for help came up to God on account of the servitude.

24 Now God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

25 And God saw the Israelites, and God understood.

### Chapter 3

Now Moses was shepherding the flock of Jethro, his father-in-law, priest of Midian, and was driving the flock to the back of the wilderness, and came to the mountain of God, Horeb.

2 Then an angel of the Lord\* appeared to him in a flame of fire in the middle of a blackberry bush, and he looked, and now he saw the blackberry bush burning in fire, but the blackberry bush was not consumed.

3 Moses said, Let me turn, and see this great sight! Why does the blackberry bush not burn up?

4 Now the Lord\* saw that he had turned to see (it). So God called to him in the middle of the blackberry bush, and said, Moses, Moses! And he said, Here am I.

5 Then he said, Do not approach here. Slip off your sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.

6 He said, I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

7 And the Lord\* said, I have definitely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt. I have heard their cry from the presence of their taskmasters, and I know their pain.

8 So I went down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them out from that land, to a land fertile and wide, to a land (that) is gushing (with) milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites,

the Amorites, the Perezites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites,

9 And now, behold, the cry of the Israelites has come to me, and also I have seen the oppression that the Egyptians have oppressed them.

10 So now, go, and I will send you to Pharaoh, and bring out my people the Israelites from Egypt.

11 But Moses said to God, Who am I that I could go to Pharaoh, and bring out the Israelites from Egypt?

12 He said, I will be with you, and this will be a sign to you that I have sent you. When you bring out the people from Egypt, you will serve God on this mountain.

13 Then Moses said to God, Now I am coming to the Israelites, and I will say to them, The God of your fathers sent me to you, and should they say to me, What is his name, what should I say to them?

14 God said to Moses, I will always be what I am. Thus will you say to the Israelites, I AM sent me to you.

15 God said more to Moses, Thus will you say to the Israelites, The Lord\* God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob sent me to you. This is my name forever, and this is my memorial from generation to generation.

16 Go, and you will gather the elders of Israel, and say to them, The Lord\* God of your fathers appeared to me, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, Surely I have visited you, and what is being done to you in Egypt.

17 I say I will lift you up from the affliction of Egypt to the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Perezite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, to a land (that) flows milk and honey.

18 They will listen to your voice. You and the elders of Israel will come in to the king of Egypt, and say to him. The Lord\* God of the Hebrews has made an encounter upon us. So now let us go a three day's journey into the wilderness, and we will sacrifice to the Lord\* our God.

19 Now I know that the king of Egypt will not allow you to go out, not even by a strong hand.

20 Then I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all my wonders, which I will do in its midst, and after that he will send you out.

21 So I will give favor to this people in the sight of Egypt, and it will be when

you go out, you will not go out with empty hands.

22 Then a wife will ask from her neighbor, and from a sojourner of her house, (for) articles of silver, gold, and clothing, and you will place them upon your sons and daughters, and you will spoil Egypt.

## Chapter 4

Moses answered and said, Suppose they do not have trust in me, and do not listen to my voice, that they say, The Lord\* has not appeared to you.

2 So the Lord\* said to him, What is this in your hand, and he said, A staff.

3 Then he said, Throw it to the ground. So he threw it to the ground, it went to a snake, and Moses fled from its presence.

4 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Stretch out your hand and grasp (it) by its tail. So he stretched out his hand, he took hold of it, and it went to a staff in his palm.

5 This is so that they will believe that the Lord\* God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob has appeared to you.

6 Then the Lord\* said to him, Bring your hand into your bosom. So he brought his hand into his bosom, he brought it out, and now his hand was the likeness of the snow white of leprosy.

7 He said, Return your hand to your bosom. So he returned his hand to his bosom, he brought it out from his bosom, and now it had returned (to) the likeness of his flesh.

8 So it will be, if they do not have trust for you, and do not heed to the influence of the first sign, then they will have trust for the influence of the following sign.

9 But it may be, if they will not have trust even for these two signs, and they will not listen to your voice, then you will take some of the water of the Nile and pour (it) out on the dry ground, and it will happen that the water that you take from the Nile, it will become blood on the dry ground.

10 Moses said to the Lord\*, Pardon me, O Lord, I have not been a man of words, even prior to the time of your words to your servant, for I am of a dull speech and tongue.

11 So the Lord\* said to him, Who has made the mouth of mankind, or who makes (one) dumb, or deaf, or seeing, or blind? Is it not I, the Lord\*?

12 So now, go, and I will be with your mouth, and instruct you what you will say.

13 He said, Pardon me, O Lord. Please send (one) with the hand you will send.

14 Then the Lord\* was incensed (in) anger with Moses, and said, Is not Aaron your brother, a Levite? I know that he certainly can speak, and indeed now, he will go out to meet you, he will see you, and will rejoice in his heart.

15 So you will speak to him, and put words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and his mouth, and I will instruct you (in) what you will do,

16 And he will speak for you to the people. It will happen (that) he himself will be to you for a mouth, and you will be to him for God.

17 This staff you will take in your hand, with which you will perform the signs.

18 Then Moses went and turned to Jethro his father-in-law, and said to him, Please let me go. Let me return to my brothers who are in Egypt, and let me see whether they are yet alive. Jethro said, Go to shalom.

19 Then the Lord\* said to Moses in Midian, Go! Return (to) Egypt, for all the men who were seeking your life are dead.

20 So Moses took his wife and sons, mounted them upon the donkey, and returned to the land of Egypt. Moses also took the staff of God in his hand.

21 The Lord\* had said to Moses, When you go to return to Egypt, observe all the wonders that I have put in your hand, and perform them before Pharaoh. Yet I will harden his heart, and he will not send out the people.

22 Now you will say to Pharaoh, Thus says the Lord\*, My firstborn son is Israel,

23 And I say to you, Send out my son, that he may serve me, but you have refused to send him out. Behold, It is I who will kill your firstborn son.

24 Now it was along the way into the lodging place, that the Lord\* encountered him, and sought to kill him.

25 Then Zipporah took a knife of flint, cut off the foreskin of her son, let it drop to his feet, and said, Surely you are a bridegroom of bloodshed to me.

26 Then he let (her) alone from (this), when she said, (You are) a bridegroom

of bloodshed, because of the circumcision.

27 The Lord\* said to Aaron, Go to the wilderness to meet Moses. So he went and encountered him on the mountain of God, and gave a kiss to him,

28 And Moses related to Aaron all the words of the Lord\* who sent him, and all the signs that he commanded him.

29 So Moses and Aaron went out, and gathered all the elders of the Israelites,

30 And Aaron spoke all the words that the Lord\* spoke to Moses, and performed the signs in the sight of the people.

31 Now the people trusted (him), and the people listened, for the Lord\* visited the Israelites, because he saw their affliction, and they bowed down and worshipped.

## Chapter 5

After this Moses and Aaron went out, and said to Pharaoh, Thus says the Lord\* God of Israel, Send out my people, and let them keep a pilgrim feast to me in the wilderness.

2 Pharaoh said, Who is the Lord\* that I should listen to his voice to send out Israel? I do not know the Lord\*, and indeed, I will not send out Israel,

3 And they said, The God of the Hebrews has met together with us. Let us go three days journey into the wilderness, and we will sacrifice to the Lord\* our God, lest he meet us with pestilence or the sword.

4 Then the king of Egypt said to them, Moses and Aaron, why do you cause the people to refrain from their work? Go to your burdens!

5 And Pharaoh said, Behold, at this time, many are the people of the land, and will you make them rest from their burdens?

6 So Pharaoh commanded on this day the taskmasters over the people, and his officers, saying:

7 You must not gather straw to give to the people to make the bricks, as previously. Let them go and gather straw for themselves,

8 But the quota of the bricks that they were making previously, you will set upon them. You will not diminish (it) from anyone. For they are idle,

therefore they are crying out, saying, Let us go. Let us sacrifice to our God.

9 You will make heavy the service upon the men, they will work in it, and they must not gaze about with false matters.

10 So the taskmasters of the people and his officers went out and spoke to the people, saying, Thus says Pharaoh, I am not giving straw to you.

11 You, Go! Get straw for yourselves according to what you can find, for nothing will be diminished from your service.

12 Then the people scattered into all the land of Egypt to gather stubble for straw,

13 And the taskmasters hurried them, saying, Complete your work, the daily duty, as when there was straw.

14 But the officers of the Israelites that the taskmasters of Pharaoh put over them were beaten, saying, Why have you not completed your prescribed portion of brick, even yesterday and today, as previously?

15 The officers of the Israelites came in and cried out to Pharaoh, saying, Why have you done so to your servants?

16 Straw has not been given to your servants, Yet you say to us, Bricks! Make! And now your servants are beaten, but your (own) people have missed the goal.

17 Then he said, Idle, you are idle! Therefore you say, Let us go. Let us sacrifice to the Lord\*.

18 So now, Go! Work! No straw will be provided for you, and you will yield the quota of bricks.

19 So the officers of the Israelites looked on them in misery, saying, Do not diminish from your bricks, the daily duty.

20 Then they met with Moses and Aaron, who stationed themselves to meet them when they went out from being with Pharaoh.

21 They said to them, The Lord\* looks upon you, and he will judge that you have made our scent odious in the sight of Pharaoh and his servants, to put a sword in their hand to kill us.

22 Then Moses returned back to the Lord\*, and said, My Lord, why have you done injury to this people, and have you not indeed rescued your people?

23 From the time I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done injury to this people, and you have not rescued your people at all.

## Chapter 6

The Lord\* said to Moses, Now you will see what I will do to Pharaoh. For by a strong hand he will send them out, and by a strong hand he will drive them out from his land.

2 Then God spoke to Moses, and said to him, I am the Lord\*,

3 And I appeared to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob with (the name) El Shaddai, but (by) my name Yahweh I was not known to them.

4 Indeed, I established my covenant with them, to give to them the land of Canaan, the land of their dwelling place in which they sojourned,

5 And also I myself heard the groaning of the Israelites, whom the Egyptians compelled to work, and I remembered my covenant.

6 Therefore, say to the Israelites, I am the Lord\*, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. I will rescue you from their servitude, and redeem you with an outstretched arm and great acts of judgment.

7 I will take you to myself for a people, and I will be to you for God. Then you will know that I am the Lord\* your God, the one who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

8 So I will bring you to the land where I lifted my hand to give it to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and I will give it to you (to) inherit. I am the Lord\*.

9 So Moses spoke thus to the Israelites, but they did not listen to Moses because of impatience, and because of the severe work.

10 Then the Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

11 Come, speak to Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, that he must send the Israelites out of his land.

12 But Moses spoke in the presence of the Lord\*, saying, Behold, the Israelites have not listened to me, so how will Pharaoh listen to me, for I am uncircumcised (in) speech.

13 So the Lord\* spoke to Moses and Aaron, and gave them a command to the Israelites and to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, to bring out the Israelites from the land of Egypt.

14 These are the heads of the house of their fathers: the sons of Reuben, the firstborn of Israel: Hanoch, Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi. These are the families

of Reuben.

15 The sons of Simeon: Jemuel, Jamin, Ohad, Jachin, Zohar, and Shaul, son of the Canaanite. These are the families of Simeon.

16 These are the names of the sons of Levi, of their generations: Gershon, Kohath, and Merari, and the years of the life of Levi were one hundred thirty-seven years.

17 The sons of Gershon: Libni and Shimi, of their families.

18 The sons of Kohath: Amram, Izhar, Hezron, and Uzziel, and the years of the life of Kohath were one hundred thirty-three years.

19 The sons of Merari: Mahli and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites, of their generations.

20 Now Amram took Jochebed, his father's sister, to himself for a wife, and she bore Aaron and Moses to him. The years of the life of Amram were one hundred thirty-seven years.

21 The sons of Izhar: Korah, Nepheg, and Zichri.

22 The sons of Uzziel: Mishael, Elzafan, and Sithri.

23 Now Aaron took Elisheba, daughter of Amminadab, sister of Nahshon, to himself for a wife, and she bore to him Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

24 The sons of Korah: Assir, Elkanah, and Abiasaph. These are the families of the Korhites.

25 Now Eleazar, son of Aaron, took for himself out of the daughters of Putiel to himself for a wife, and she bore to him Phinehas. These are the heads of the fathers of the Levites of their families.

26 This is Aaron and Moses, to whom the Lord\* said, Bring the Israelites out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

27 These are the ones who spoke to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, to bring the Israelites out of Egypt. This is Moses and Aaron.

28 Now it happened on one day, the Lord\* spoke to Moses in the land of Egypt.

29 The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying, I am the Lord\*. Speak to Pharaoh, king of Egypt, all that I speak to you.

30 Then Moses said in the presence of the Lord\*, Look, I am uncircumcised (in) speech, so how would Pharaoh listen to me?

## Chapter 7

So the Lord\* said to Moses, See, I have made you God to Pharaoh, and your brother will be your prophet.

2 You will speak all that I command you, and Aaron your brother will say to Pharaoh that he must send out the Israelites from his land.

3 So I will make hard the heart of Pharaoh, and multiply my signs and wonders in the land of Egypt,

4 But Pharaoh will not listen to you, and I will set my hand upon Egypt, and bring out my people the Israelites from the land of Egypt with my armies, with great acts of judgment.

5 Then the Egyptians will know that I am the Lord\*, when I stretch out my hand upon Egypt, and lead out the Israelites from the midst of them.

6 So Moses and Aaron did according to what the Lord\* commanded them. So did they.

7 Now Moses was eighty years old, and Aaron was eighty-three years old when they spoke to Pharaoh,

8 And the Lord\* spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying:

9 When Pharaoh speaks to you, saying, You, give us a wonder, then you will say to Aaron, Take your staff and throw (it) in front of Pharaoh. Let it become a serpent.

10 So Moses and Aaron came to Pharaoh and did thus, according to what the Lord\* commanded. Aaron threw down the staff in the presence of Pharaoh and his servants, and it became a serpent.

11 Pharaoh also called for the wise men and the astrologers, and the magicians of Egypt also did thus with their enchantments,

12 And each one threw down his staff, and (it) became a serpent, but the staff of Aaron swallowed their staff.

13 So the heart of Pharaoh grew hard, and he did not listen to them, according to what the Lord\* spoke.

14 The Lord\* said to Moses, The heart of Pharaoh is hard. He has refused to send out the people.

15 Go to Pharaoh in the morning. Behold, he will go out to the water, you will take your stand to meet him on the bank of the Nile, and you will take in

your hand the staff that was turned into a snake.

16 Then you will say to him, The Lord\* God of the Hebrews sent me to you, saying, Send out my people, and let them serve me in the wilderness, but behold, you have not listened up to this point.

17 Thus says the Lord\*, With this you will know that I am the Lord\*. Behold, I will strike with the staff that is in my hand upon the waters that are in the Nile, and they will be turned into blood.

18 Now the fish that are in the Nile will die, the Nile will stink, and the Egyptians will be weary to drink the water from the Nile.

19 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Take your staff and stretch out your hand over the waters of Egypt, over their canals, their rivers, their ponds, and every pool of their waters. They will become blood, and the blood will be in all the land of Egypt, and in the vessels of wood and of stone.

20 So Moses and Aaron did thus according to what the Lord\* commanded, and he rose up with the staff and struck the waters that were in the Nile in the presence of his servants, and all the waters that were in the Nile turned to blood.

21 The fish that were in the Nile died, and the Nile stank. The Egyptians were not able to drink the water from the Nile, and there was blood in all the land of Egypt.

22 Yet the magicians of Egypt did thus with their enchantments, the heart of Pharaoh grew hard, and he did not listen to them, according to what the Lord\* had spoken.

23 Then Pharaoh turned and entered into his house, but he did not set his mind even to this.

24 But all the Egyptians dug (wells) around the Nile (for) water to drink, for they were not able to drink from the water of the Nile.

25 So seven days were fulfilled after the Lord\* struck the Nile.

## Chapter 8

Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Go to Pharaoh, and you will say to him, Thus

says the Lord\*, Send out my people, that they may serve me.

2 But if you refuse to send (them) out, behold, I will strike all your territory with frogs.

3 Then the Nile will teem of frogs, and go up and enter into your house, in your bedchamber, on your beds, in the house of your subjects, among your people, in your firepots, and in your kneading troughs.

4 So frogs will go up among you, your people, and all your subjects.

5 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Stretch out your hand with your staff over the canals, the rivers, and the ponds, and bring up the frogs upon the land of Egypt.

6 So Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt, and the frog(s) came up and spread over the land of Egypt.

7 Yet the magicians did thus with their enchantments, and brought up the frogs upon the land of Egypt.

8 Now Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Make supplication to the Lord\*, that he would remove the frogs from me and my people, and I will send out the people that they may make a sacrifice to the Lord\*.

9 Then Moses said to Pharaoh, Assume the honor over me. When should I make supplication for you, your subjects, and your people, to destroy the frogs out from you and your houses? Only in the Nile will they remain.

10 He said, Tomorrow, and he said , According to your word, for the sake of your knowledge, that there is no one like the Lord\* our God.

11 The frogs will depart from you, your houses, your subjects, and your people. Only in the Nile will they remain.

12 Then Moses and Aaron went out from (being) with Pharaoh, and Moses cried out to the Lord\* concerning the matter of the frogs that he had appointed to Pharaoh.

13 So the Lord\* did according to the word of Moses, and the frogs died out of the houses, the courtyards, and the fields,

14 And they heaped them up, their heaps upon heaps, and the land stank.

15 But Pharaoh saw that the relief had come, it made his heart unresponsive, and he did not listen to them, according to what the Lord\* said.

16 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Say to Aaron, Stretch out your staff, strike

the dust of the land, and it will become gnats in all the land of Egypt.

17 Thus they did. Aaron stretched out with his staff, struck the dust of the earth, and it became gnats on man and beast. All the dust of the land became gnats in all the land of Egypt.

18 The magicians so did with their enchantments in order to bring out the gnats, but they were not able (to), and the gnats were on man and beast.

19 The magicians said to Pharaoh, It is an act of God, but the heart of Pharaoh grew hard, and he did not listen to them, according to what the Lord\* had spoken.

20 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Rise up early in the morning, present yourself before Pharaoh now going out to the water, and you will say to him, Thus says the Lord\*, Send out my people, that they may serve me.

21 For if you will not send my people out, here am I, bringing a swarm (of flies) to you, your subjects, your people, and into your houses. The houses of the Egyptians will be filled with a swarm (of flies), and also the ground that they themselves are upon.

22 I will make separate on this day the land of Goshen, upon which my people dwell, so that the swarm (of flies) will not be there, in order that you will know that I am the Lord\* in the midst of the land.

23 So I will set a distinction between my people and your people. This sign will happen tomorrow.

24 So the Lord\* did thus. The heavy swarm (of flies) was into the house of Pharaoh, and the house of his subjects, and in all the land of Egypt the land went to ruin from the swarm (of flies).

25 Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron, and said, Go, sacrifice to your God in the land.

26 But Moses said, It is not right to do thus, for we would be sacrificing an abomination of the Egyptians to the Lord\* our God. If we sacrifice an abomination of the Egyptians to their sight, would they not stone us to death?

27 Let us go a journey of three days into the wilderness, and we will sacrifice to the Lord\* our God, according to what he said to us.

28 Then Pharaoh said, I will send you out, and you can sacrifice to the Lord\* your God in the wilderness, only you may certainly not go far. Make

supplication on behalf of me.

29 Moses said, Now I am going out from being with you. I will make supplication to the Lord\*, that the swarm (of flies) may turn aside from Pharaoh, his subjects, and his people tomorrow, only do not continue, O Pharaoh, to deceive, to not send out the people to sacrifice to the Lord\*.

30 Then Moses went out from being with Pharaoh, and made supplication to the Lord\*.

31 So the Lord\* acted according to the word of Moses, and turned back the swarm (of flies) from Pharaoh, his subjects, and his people. Not one remained.

32 Yet Pharaoh made his heart unresponsive, even on this occasion, and did not send out the people.

## Chapter 9

The Lord\* said to Moses, Go to Pharaoh, and you will say to him, Thus says the Lord\* God of the Hebrews, Send my people out, that they may serve me.

2 For if you refuse to send (them) out, and you still keep them,

3 Behold, the hand of the Lord\* will be against your livestock that are in the field, against the horses, the donkeys, the camels, the herd, and the flock.

The pestilence will be very heavy,

4 And the Lord\* will distinguish between the livestock of Israel and the livestock of Egypt, and nothing from any of the Israelites will die.

5 So the Lord\* set an appointed time, saying, Tomorrow the Lord\* will do this thing in the land,

6 And the Lord\* did this thing the next day, and all of the livestock of Egypt died, but from the livestock of the Israelites, not one died.

7 Then Pharaoh sent, and behold, not even one from the livestock of Israel were dead, but the heart of Pharaoh was unresponsive, and he did not send out the people.

8 Then the Lord\* said to Moses and Aaron, Take for yourself your hands full of ashes of a kiln, and Moses will toss handfuls of it toward the heavens in the sight of Pharaoh,

9 And it will be of the dust, upon all the land of Egypt, that boils that break out will be upon man and beast, blisters among all the land of Egypt.

10 So they took the ashes of the kiln, and stood in front of Pharaoh. Moses tossed handfuls of it to the heavens, and it became boils, blisters that broke out on man and beast.

11 Now the magicians were not able to stand in front of Moses from the boils, for the boils were on the magicians, and among all Egyptians,

12 And the Lord\* made the heart of Pharaoh hard, and he did not listen to them, according to what the Lord\* spoke to Moses.

13 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Rise up early in the morning, and station yourself before Pharaoh, and you will say to him, Thus says the Lord\* God of the Hebrews, Send out my people, that they may serve me.

14 For on this occasion, I will send all my blows to your heart, and against your subjects and your people, in order that you will know that there are none like me (on) the earth.

15 For in that case, I could have stretched out my hand, struck you and your people with the pestilence, and you would be destroyed from the land.

16 But indeed, for the sake of this, I maintain you in order to make you see my power, so that my name would be recounted in all the land.

17 You still exalt yourself against my people, to not send them out.

18 Here am I, about (this) time tomorrow, sending to rain very heavy hail, which there has not been the like of in Egypt, that from (previous) days has never been even until now.

19 So now, send for your livestock, and all that are yours in the field. All mankind and the beast that is found in the field, and is not gathered into the house, the hail will descend upon them, and they will die.

20 He who feared the word of the Lord\* out of the subjects of Pharaoh, drove his servants and his livestock hastily to the houses,

21 But he who did not set his mind to the word of the Lord\* left his servants and livestock in the field.

22 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Stretch out your hand at the heavens, and let there be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon mankind, the beast, and the herbage of the field, in the land of Egypt.

23 So Moses stretched out his staff at the heavens, and the Lord\* gave

thunderings and hail. Fire went (down) to the land, as the Lord\* rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

24 So there was hail, and fire taking hold of itself in the midst of the hail, very heavy, that there never was the like of it in all the land of Egypt, from when it became a nation.

25 Yes, the hail struck, in all the land of Egypt, all that was in the field, from mankind to the beast. The hail struck all the herbage of the field, and shattered every tree of the field.

26 Only in the land of Goshen, where the Israelites were, was there no hail.

27 Then Pharaoh sent out, called for Moses and Aaron, and said to them, I have sinned (this) time. The Lord\* is righteous, and I and my people are the wicked ones.

28 Make supplication to the Lord\*, as the thunderings of God and the hail are too much. I send you out, so you will put an end to staying.

29 Moses said to him, When I go out of the city, I will spread out my palms to the Lord\*, (that) the thunderings will cease, and the hail will not continue, in order that you will know that the earth belongs to the Lord\*.

30 Now you and your subjects, I have known that you are not yet afraid on account of the presence of the Lord\* God.

31 The flax and the barley were struck down, for the barley was (in) the young ear, and the flax was (in) bud.

32 But the wheat and the spelt were not struck, for they were late crops.

33 So Moses went out from being with Pharaoh (in) the city, and spread out his palms to the Lord\*. The thunderings and the hail ceased, and the rain did not pour forth on to the land.

34 But Pharaoh saw that the rain, the hail, and the thunderings had ceased, and continued to sin, and made his heart unresponsive, he and his subjects.

35 So the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not send out the Israelites, according to what the Lord\* spoke by the hand of Moses.

## Chapter 10

Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Go to Pharaoh, for I have made his heart and

the heart of his subjects unresponsive, in order that I may perform these my signs in his midst,

2 In order that you will recount in the hearing of your children, and the children of your children, that I have dealt ruthlessly against Egypt, and my signs that I am performing against them, so you will know that I am the Lord\*.

3 So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh, and said to him, Thus says the Lord\* God of the Hebrews, Until when are you refusing to humble yourself in my presence. Send my people out, that they may serve me.

4 For if you refuse to send out my people, behold, tomorrow I am bringing locusts within your borders.

5 It will cover the visible surface of the land, and one will not be able to see the land. It will consume the remainder that escaped, which remained of yours from the hail, and it will consume every tree, that which has sprouted of yours from the field.

6 They will fill your houses, the houses of all your subjects, and the houses of all of Egypt, that your fathers have not seen, nor the fathers of your fathers, from the day they came upon the land until this day. Then he turned and went out from being with Pharaoh.

7 Now the subjects of Pharaoh said to him, Until when will this one be ours for a snare? Send out the people, that they may serve the Lord\* their God. Do you not yet know that Egypt will perish?

8 Then Moses and Aaron were brought back to Pharaoh, and he said to them, Go, serve the Lord\* your God, but who will be going?

9 Moses said, We will go with our children and our elderly. We will go with our sons and our daughters, with our flocks and our herd, for it is our pilgrim feast of the Lord\*.

10 He said to them, May it be so. When I send you and your children out, will the Lord\* be with you? Do you see that he will be amicable in your view?

11 Not so! Go away now, you men, that they may serve the Lord\*, for that is what you have desired. Then he drove them away from being in the presence of Pharaoh.

12 So the Lord\* said to Moses, Stretch out your hand against the land of

Egypt with the locust. It will rise up on the land of Egypt, and consume all of the herbage of the land, all that remains (from) the hail.

13 So Moses stretched out his staff over the land of Egypt, and the Lord\* led an east wind on the land all that day and night. It was the morning, and the east wind carried the locust.

14 So the locust ascended upon all the land of Egypt, and rested on all the territory of Egypt, very heavy. Before it there was none like it, and after it there will be none such.

15 It covered the view of all the land, and the land was darkened. It consumed all the herbage of the land, and all the fruit of the trees that the hail left. No green thing remained in the trees or the herbage of the field in all the land of Egypt.

16 Then Pharaoh hastened to call for Moses and Aaron, and said, I have sinned against the Lord\* your God and against you.

17 So now forgive my sin only this once, and make supplication to the Lord\* your God, that he may remove from upon me only this death.

18 Then he went out from being with Pharaoh, and made supplication to the Lord\*,

19 And the Lord\* turned a very strong wind westward that lifted up the locust (swarm), and drove it into the Red Sea. Not one locust remained in all the territory of Egypt.

20 But the Lord\* hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he did not send out the Israelites.

21 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Stretch out your hand to the heavens, and let there be darkness over the land of Egypt, that one may feel (the) darkness.

22 So Moses stretched out his hand to the heavens, and there was gloomy darkness in all the land of Egypt, three days.

23 No one could see his fellow citizen, and no one could rise up from his place, three days, but for all the Israelites, there was light in their dwellings.

24 So Pharaoh called to Moses, and said, Go, serve the Lord\*, only your flock and your herd will be detained. Even your children may go with you.

25 Moses said, You must also give into our possession sacrifices and burnt offerings that we may perform to the Lord\* our God.

26 Our livestock must also go with us. Not a hoof must be left behind, for if we must take the one of them to serve the Lord\* our God, then we do not know how we can serve the Lord\* when we go there.

27 But the Lord\* hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he was not willing to send them out.

28 So Pharaoh said to him, Go away from me! Take care for yourself, to look at my face anymore, because on the day you see my face you will die.

29 Moses said, Thus you have spoken. I will not look at your face anymore.

## Chapter 11

Then the Lord\* said to Moses, One more plague I am bringing upon Pharaoh and Egypt. After that, he will send you out because of this. As he sends you out, finally, he will surely drive you out because of this.

2 Speak now in the hearing of the people, that they would request, a man from his friend, and a woman from her neighbor, articles of silver and gold.

3 So the Lord\* gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians. Indeed, the man Moses was greatly magnified in the eyes of the subjects of Pharaoh and the people.

4 Then Moses said, Thus says the Lord\*, About midnight I am going out in the midst of the Egyptians.

5 Every firstborn in the land of Egypt will die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits upon his throne, to the firstborn of the maidservant who is behind the mills, and every firstborn of the beast.

6 Then there will be a great cry in all the land of Egypt, which there has not been the like of it, nor will the like be repeated.

7 But for the Israelites, a dog will not utter a sound from its tongue, from a man even to a beast, in order that you will know that the Lord\* distinguishes between Egypt and Israel.

8 But these, all your subjects, will come toward me, and bow down to me, saying, Go out, you and all the people who are at your feet! After that, I will go out. Then he went out from being with Pharaoh in burning anger.

9 The Lord\* said to Moses, Pharaoh will not listen to you, in order that my

wonders may multiply in the land of Egypt.

10 Thus Moses and Aaron performed all of these wonders in front of Pharaoh, but the Lord\* hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he did not send out the Israelites from his land.

## Chapter 12

Then the Lord\* spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying:

2 This month will be to you the first of the months. It is to you the first of the months of the year.

3 Speak to all the assembly of Israel, saying, On the tenth of this month, each one must take for themselves a lamb for the house of their fathers, a lamb for the house.

4 If the house is too small for a lamb, then he and his neighbor, the nearest to his house, will take by the number of lives. You will compute for the lamb each one according to his consumption.

5 It must be to you a perfect male lamb of one year old. You will take (it) from the sheep or the goats.

6 It will be to you for a watch until the fourteenth day of this month, and all the congregation, the assembly of Israel, will slaughter it in the dusk.

7 Then they will take some of the blood, and put it upon both of the doorposts and the frame on the houses within which they will eat it.

8 They will eat the flesh on this night, roasted at a fire, and unleavened bread. They will eat it upon bitter herbs.

9 Do not eat any of it raw, boiled, (or) soaked in water, but only roasted in fire, his head with his legs and his inward parts.

10 But do not leave any of it over until the morning. You will burn in fire that which remains over of it until the morning.

11 Thus you will eat it. Get ready for travel, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand, and you will eat it with hurried flight. It is the Passover to the Lord\*,

12 For I will pass over into the land of Egypt on this night, and strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from mankind even to beast. I, the Lord\*, will

perform judgments against all the gods of Egypt.

13 The blood will be yours for a sign upon the houses where you are. I will see the blood, I will pass over you, and a fatal blow to destruction will not come against you when I strike against the land of Egypt.

14 This day will be to you a memorial day, and you will keep it as a pilgrim feast to the Lord\* for your generations. You will keep it as a pilgrim feast, a statute forever.

15 Seven days you will eat unleavened bread. Only on the first day you will remove leaven from your houses, for from the first day until the seventh day, anyone who eats that which is leavened, that person will be cut off from Israel.

16 Now the first day will be a holy convocation, and the seventh day will be a holy convocation for you. No work will be done on them, only what will be eaten by every person, it alone may be prepared for you.

17 You will also keep the (feast) of unleavened bread, for on this selfsame day, I have brought your armies out of the land of Egypt. You will keep this day for your generations, a statute forever.

18 In the first (month), on the fourteenth day of the month, in the evening, you will eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month in the evening.

19 Seven days leaven must not be found in your houses, for anyone who eats from leaven, that person will be cut off from the assembly of Israel, by the sojourner, or by the native of the land.

20 You must not eat anything from leaven. In all your dwellings you will eat unleavened bread.

21 Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said to them, Proceed and take for yourself flock animals for your clans, and slaughter the Passover (lambs).

22 Then you will take a bunch of hyssop and dip into the blood that is in the basin. You will strike upon the frame and both of the doorposts from the blood that is in the basin, but none of you will go out of the door of his house until the morning.

23 Then the Lord\* will cross over to strike Egypt, will see the blood upon the frame and both doorposts, will pass over the door, and he will not appoint

the destroyer to come against your houses, to strike them.

24 You will keep this matter for a statute for you and your children forever.

25 So it will happen that you will come into the land that the Lord\* will give to you, according to what he said, and you will keep this service,

26 And it will happen that your children will say to you, What is this service to you?

27 Then you will say, The sacrifice of the Passover is to the Lord\*, who passed over the houses of the Israelites in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians, but our houses he rescued. Then the people bowed down and worshipped.

28 So the Israelites went and did according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses and Aaron. They did thus,

29 And it happened at midnight, that the Lord\* struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne, to the firstborn of captives who were in the prison, and every firstborn of a beast.

30 Then Pharaoh rose up (in) the night, he, all his subjects, and all the Egyptians, and there was a great cry among the Egyptians, for there was not a house where there was no one dead.

31 So he called for Moses and Aaron (in) the night, and said, Rise up! Go out from the midst of my people, even you, also the Israelites, and go serve the Lord\* according to your words.

32 Indeed, take your flock, also your herd, according to what you said, and go! May you also bless me.

33 Then the Egyptians pressed upon the people to hurry to send them out from the land, because they said, All of us are dying!

34 The people took up their dough before it became leavened. Their kneading troughs bound up in their wrappers were upon their shoulders.

35 Now the Israelites did according to the word of Moses, and asked for articles of silver and gold, and clothes, from the Egyptians.

36 The Lord\* gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians, so they handed them over. Yes, they stripped the Egyptians of spoil.

37 Then the Israelites journeyed from Raamses to Succoth, about six hundred thousand footmen, apart from children.

38 Many mixed races also went up with them, and the flock and the herd of

livestock, very massive,

39 And they baked the dough that they brought out of Egypt, cakes of unleavened bread that had not been fermented, for they were driven out of Egypt and were not able to linger, and also they could not make provision for themselves.

40 So the time of dwelling of the Israelites that they dwelled in Egypt was four hundred thirty years,

41 And it was at the end of four hundred thirty years (it happened on this selfsame day), all the armies of the Lord\* went out from the land of Egypt.

42 It was a night of vigils to the Lord\* for bringing them out from the land of Egypt. This was that night of the Lord\*, vigils for all Israelites for their generations.

43 Then the Lord\* said to Moses and Aaron, This is a statute of the Passover: no foreigner will partake in it,

44 And every male servant purchased by money, circumcise him, then he may partake in it.

45 A sojourner or a hired laborer will not partake in it.

46 In one house it will be eaten. You will not bring any of the flesh from the house outside, and you will not break a bone within it.

47 All the assembly of Israel will perform it,

48 And for the stranger who is sojourning with you, and would perform the Passover to the Lord\*, circumcise every male of his, then he may come near to perform it, and he will be as a native of the land, but no one with foreskin will partake in it.

49 There will be one law for the native and for the stranger sojourning in your midst.

50 So all the Israelites did according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses and Aaron. They did thus.

51 So it happened on this selfsame day, the Lord\* brought out the Israelites from the land of Egypt by their armies.

## Chapter 13

The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

2 Set apart to me all the firstborn, the one who first opens any womb by the Israelites, by man or beast. He will be mine.

3 Now Moses said to the people, Remember this day when you went out from Egypt, from the house of slavery, that by strength of hand the Lord\* brought you out from this (place). Leaven must not be eaten.

4 Today you are going out in the month of Abib,

5 And it will be when the Lord\* causes you to enter into the land of the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Amorite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, which he took an oath to your fathers to give to you a land that flows milk and honey, that you will perform this service in this month.

6 Seven days you will eat unleavened bread, and a pilgrim feast to the Lord\* will happen on the seventh day.

7 Unleavened bread will be eaten (for) seven days. Nothing that is leavened may be seen in your possession, and no leaven may be seen in your possession, within all your territory.

8 Thus you will declare to your children on that day, saying, It is on account of that which the Lord\* did for me, when I went out from Egypt.

9 It will be for a sign to you on your hand, and for a memorial between your eyes, in order that the law of the Lord\* may be in your mouth, since by a strong hand the Lord\* brought you out from Egypt.

10 So you will observe this statute for its appointed season from year to year.

11 Then it will happen when the Lord\* brings you into the land of the Canaanite, according to what he took an oath to you and your fathers that he would give to you,

12 That you will dedicate all the first to open the womb to the Lord\*, and all the first to open (it) of the young of a beast that are yours, the males, belong to the Lord\*.

13 So every male donkey that is first to open the womb, you will ransom with a lamb. If you will not ransom (it), then you must break its neck. You must ransom every firstborn of man among your sons.

14 Now it will be that your son will ask in a future time, saying, What is this, and you will say to him, By strength of hand the Lord\* brought us out from Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

15 Then Pharaoh became obstinate to send us out, so the Lord\* killed all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of mankind, even to the firstborn of a beast. Therefore I will sacrifice to the Lord\* any males that first open the womb, but any firstborn of my sons, I will ransom.

16 So it will be for a sign upon your hand, and frontlets between your eyes, that by strength of hand the Lord\* brought us out of Egypt.

17 Now it was when Pharaoh sent out the people, that God did not lead them (by) way of the land of the Philistines that was nearer, for God said, Lest the people have regret when they see battle, and return to Egypt.

18 So God led the people around the way of the wilderness of the Red Sea, and the Israelites went up in battle array out of the land of Egypt.

19 Moses took the bones of Joseph with him, for he caused the sons of Israel to swear the oath, saying, God will surely visit you, and you will take up my bones from this (place) with you.

20 Then they departed from Succoth and camped in Etham at the edge of the wilderness.

21 Now the Lord\* went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud mass, to lead them (in) the way, and at night in a pillar of fire to shine light for them, to go by day and night.

22 He did not take away the pillar of the cloud mass by day, or the pillar of the fire by night, in front of the people.

## Chapter 14

The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

2 Speak to the Israelites. They must turn back and make camp in front of Pi Hahiroth between Migdol and the sea, before Baal Zephon. You will make camp opposite to it by the sea.

3 Now Pharaoh will say regarding the Israelites, They are wandering aimlessly in the land. The wilderness has closed in upon them!

4 So I will harden the heart of Pharaoh, and he will pursue after them. I will get glory against Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the Lord\*. And they did thus.

5 Then it was told to the king of Egypt that the people had fled, and the mind of Pharaoh and his subjects was turned against the people, and they said, What is this we have done? For we sent out Israel from (being) our slaves.

6 So he harnessed his chariot, and took his people with him,

7 And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and every chariot of Egypt. An officer was upon each one.

8 Now the Lord\* hardened the heart of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and he pursued after the Israelites, but the Israelites went out with a high hand.

9 So the Egyptians pursued after them, every chariot horse of Pharaoh, his horsemen and his army, and overtook those who were camped by the sea, near Pi Haharoth before Baal Zephon.

10 Then Pharaoh drew near, the Israelites lifted up their eyes, and now there were Egyptians marching after them. They were very afraid, and the Israelites cried out to the Lord\*.

11 They said to Moses, Is it on account of there being no graves in Egypt, to take us to die in the wilderness? What is this you have done to us, to bring us out from Egypt?

12 Was this not the word that we spoke to you in Egypt, saying, Cease from us, and let us serve the Egyptians, for serving the Egyptians would have been better for us, than our dying in the wilderness.

13 So Moses said to the people, Do not fear! Take your stand and see the salvation of the Lord\* that he will do for you today, for the Egyptians whom you see today, you will not see again forever.

14 The Lord\* will fight for you, and you will be silent.

15 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Why do you cry out to me? Speak to the Israelites, that they should set out.

16 Now (as for) you, raise your staff, and stretch out your hand upon the sea and cleave it, and the Israelites will enter into the midst of the sea on dry ground.

17 Yet I, here am I, hardening the heart of the Egyptians. They will enter in after them, and I will get glory against Pharaoh, all his army, his chariot, and his horsemen.

18 Then the Egyptians will know that I am the Lord\*, when I get glory against

Pharaoh, his chariot, and his horsemen.

19 Now an angel of God, who was going in front of the camp of Israel, set out and went behind them. The pillar of the cloud mass also set out from before them and was standing behind them.

20 So he came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel, and there was the cloud mass (in) the darkness, he lit up the night, and this one did not draw near to that one all night.

21 Then Moses stretched out his hand upon the sea, the Lord\* drove into the sea with a strong east wind all night, set the sea to dry ground, and the waters were cleaved.

22 Then the Israelites entered into the middle of the sea on dry ground, and the waters were to them a wall from their right side and their left side.

23 Now the Egyptians pursued, and came after them, every horse of Pharaoh, his chariot, and his horsemen, into the middle of the sea.

24 It was in the morning watch, (that) the Lord\* looked down upon the camp of the Egyptians, in a pillar of fire and a cloud mass, and he confused the camp of the Egyptians.

25 Then he turned aside the wheel of his chariots, they drove them with difficulty, and the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the presence of Israel, for the Lord\* is fighting for them against Egypt.

26 The Lord\* said to Moses, Stretch out your hand upon the sea, and the waters will recede over the Egyptian, his chariot, and his horsemen.

27 Then Moses stretched out his hand upon the sea, and the sea receded steadily at the turn of the morning, and the Egyptians fled toward it, but the Lord\* shook off the Egyptians into the middle of the sea.

28 Then the waters receded, and covered the chariot and the horsemen of all the army of Pharaoh who came after them into the sea. None remained among them, (not) even one.

29 Now the Israelites went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, and the waters were to them a wall from their right side and their left side.

30 So the Lord\* delivered Israel on that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw dead Egyptians upon the edge of the sea,

31 And Israel saw the great hand the Lord\* appointed against the Egyptians, the people feared the Lord\*, and they believed in the Lord\* and in Moses his

servant.

## Chapter 15

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the Lord\*, and spoke, saying, I will sing to the Lord\*, for he is highly exalted. He has cast the horse and its rider into the sea.

2 My strength and song is Yah, and he has been to me for deliverance. This is my God, and I will adorn him with praise. He is the God of my father, and I exalt him.

3 The Lord\* is a man of war. The Lord\* is his name.

4 He threw the chariots of Pharaoh and his army into the sea, and his best officers were sunk into the Red Sea.

5 The depths are covering them. They sank in the deep like a stone.

6 Your right hand, O Lord\*, is glorious in power. Your right hand, O Lord\*, shatters the enemy.

7 In the abundance of your exaltation, you throw down those rising up against you. You send (the burning of) your anger. It consumes them as stubble.

8 With the breath of your anger, the waters were heaped up. They stood firm like a heap of flood waters. The depths were condensed in the heart of the sea.

9 The enemy said, I will pursue. I will overtake. I will divide the spoil. My desire will be full of them. I will empty my sword. My hand will bring them to ruin.

10 You blew with your breath. The sea covered them. They sank like lead in majestic waters.

11 Who is like you among the gods, O Lord\*? Who is like you, glorified in holiness, awesome in praise, doing wonders?

12 You stretched out your right hand. The earth swallowed them up.

13 In your steadfast love you have led the people you redeemed. By your strength you have guided (them) to rest, into the habitation of your holiness.

14 The peoples are listening, (and) they will quake. Writhing seizes the

inhabitants of Philistia.

15 Before the chiefs of Edom become dismayed, the leaders of Moab, trembling will seize them. All inhabitants of Canaan are agitated.

16 Terror and dread will fall upon them. In the greatness of your arm, they will be struck dumb as a stone, until your people pass by, O Lord\*, until the people that you acquired pass by.

17 You will bring them in, and plant them on the mountain of your possession. You make a fixed place for your dwelling, O Lord\*, a sanctuary your hands established, O Lord.

18 The Lord\* will reign forever and ever.

19 For the horse of Pharaoh, with his chariot and his horsemen, went into the sea. The Lord\* turned back the waters of the sea upon them, and the Israelites walked on the dry ground in the middle of the sea.

20 Then Miriam the prophetess, the sister of Aaron, took the tambourine in her hand, and all the women went out after her with tambourines and dancing.

21 Miriam sang to them, Sing to the Lord\*, for he is highly exalted. He cast the horse and its rider into the sea.

22 Moses brought out Israel from the Red Sea, and they went out to the wilderness of Shur. They walked three days into the wilderness, and found no water.

23 They came to Marah, but they were not able to drink the water from Marah, because it was bitter. Therefore its name was called Marah [bitter].

24 So the people murmured against Moses, saying, What can we drink?

25 Then he cried out to the Lord\*, and the Lord\* pointed out wood to him. He threw (it) into the water, and the water became sweet. There he set for them a decree and judgment, and there he tried them.

26 He said, If you will carefully listen to the voice of the Lord\* your God, and do what is upright in his eyes, give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes, all the disease that I appointed on Egypt, I will not appoint against you, for I am the Lord\*, your healer.

27 Then they went to Elim, and twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees were there. There they camped by the waters.

## Chapter 16

Then all the assembly of the Israelites set out from Elim, and entered into the wilderness of Sin, which was between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month of going out from the land of Egypt.

2 Now all the assembly of Israelites murmured against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness.

3 The Israelites said to them, O that we had been allowed to die by the hand of the Lord\* in the land of Egypt, when we sat by a pot of flesh, when we ate food to satisfy (us). For you brought us to this wilderness to kill all this congregation through hunger.

4 So the Lord\* said to Moses, Here am I , raining food from the heavens for you. The people will go out and gather this substance, day by day, in order that I may test them, whether they will proceed by my law or not.

5 Now it will happen on the sixth day, they will prepare what they bring in, but it will be twice as much as what they gather day by day.

6 Then Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, (In) the evening, you will know that the Lord\* brought you out from the land of Egypt,

7 And (in) the morning, then you will see the glory of the Lord\* , in his hearing your murmurings against the Lord\*. What are we, that you should murmur against us?

8 And Moses said, When the Lord\* gives to you flesh to eat in the evening, and food to satisfy (you) in the morning, when the Lord\* heard your murmurings that you murmured against him, then what are we? Not against us were your murmurings, for they were against the Lord\*.

9 Then Moses said to Aaron, Say to all the assembly of the Israelites, Draw near before the Lord\* , for he has heard your murmurings.

10 Now it was as Aaron spoke to all the assembly of the Israelites, that they turned and looked toward the wilderness, and behold, the glory of the Lord\* appeared in a cloud mass.

11 Then the Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

12 I have heard the murmurings of the Israelites. Speak to them, saying, In the dusk you will eat flesh. In the morning you will be satisfied (with) food, and you will know that I am the Lord\* your God.

13 So it was in the evening that he brought the quail. They covered the camp, and in the morning there was the dew lying around the camp,

14 And the dew lying around lifted off, and now upon the surface of the wilderness was a fine scale-like thing, fine as frost upon the land.

15 But the Israelites looked, and said, each one to his friend, What is it, for they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, That is the food that the Lord\* has given you to eat.

16 This is the word that the Lord\* commanded: Gather from it each one according to his consumption, an omer for every person, the number of your lives. Each one may take according to who are in his tent.

17 Then the Israelites did thus, and they gathered, some of them much, and some of them little.

18 They measured by the omer, and the one with much did not have a surplus, and the one with little caused no lack. They gathered, each one according to his consumption.

19 Then Moses said to them, Let no one leave any of it until the morning.

20 But they did not listen to Moses, and the people left over some of it until morning. It became wormy and stank, and Moses was angry on account of them.

21 So they gathered it in the morning, each one in the morning according to his consumption, and (if) the sun was warm, then it melted.

22 Now it happened on the sixth day, they gathered twice as much food, two omers to one, and all the leaders of the congregation entered in, and told (it) to Moses.

23 He said to them, That is what the Lord\* spoke. It is a sabbatism, a holy Sabbath to the Lord\* tomorrow. What you will bake, bake, and what you will boil, boil, and let all that is surplus lie for you to preserve until the morning.

24 So they let it lie until the morning, according to what Moses commanded. It did not stink, and no worm was in it.

25 Then Moses said, Eat it today, for today is the Sabbath to the Lord\*. You will not find it in the field today.

26 Six days you will gather it, but on the seventh day is the Sabbath. There will be none on it.

27 Yet on the seventh day, some of the people went out to gather, but they

found none.

28 So the Lord\* said to Moses, How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and laws?

29 See that the Lord\* has given to you the Sabbath, therefore he has given to you on the sixth day the food of two days. Each one must stay in his place. No one should go out from his place on the seventh day.

30 So the people rested on the seventh day.

31 The house of Israel called its name manna [what is it, please?]. It was like white coriander seed, and its taste was like a flat cake with honey.

32 Moses said, This is the word that the Lord\* commanded, Fill an omer from it, for a keepsake for your generations, in order that they will see the food that I provided for you to eat in the wilderness, when I led you out from the land of Egypt.

33 Then Moses said to Aaron, Take one jar, put into it one omer full of manna, and let it lie before the Lord\*, for a keepsake for your generations.

34 According to what the Lord\* commanded to Moses, Aaron let it lie in front of the testimony for a keepsake.

35 So the Israelites ate the manna forty years, until they came to the land of dwelling. They ate the manna until they came to the edge of the land of Canaan.

36 An omer is a tenth of an ephah.

## Chapter 17

Then all the assembly of the Israelites journeyed from the wilderness of Sin, by their journeyings, according to the command of the Lord\*. They camped in Rephadim, but there was no water (for) the people to drink.

2 The people contended with Moses, and said, Give to us water that we can drink. Moses said to them, Why do you contend with me? Why do you test the Lord\*?

3 There the people thirsted for water, the people murmured against Moses, and (each) one said, Why did you bring us up from Egypt to kill me, my children, and my livestock, with thirst?

4 Moses cried out to the Lord\*, saying, What should I do to this people? Yet a little while, and they will stone me!

5 So the Lord\* said to Moses, Cross over in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel, take your staff in your hand with which you struck the Nile, and you will go.

6 Now I will be standing there in front of you upon the rock in Horeb. You will strike against the rock, water will come out from it, and the people will drink. So Moses did thus in the sight of the elders of Israel,

7 And he called the name of the place Massah [test] and Meribah [contention], on account of the contention of the Israelites, and on account of their testing of the Lord\*, saying, Is the Lord\* there in the midst of us or not?

8 Now Amalek came in and fought with Israel in Rephadim.

9 So Moses said to Joshua, Choose for us men, and go out. Fight against Amalek. Tomorrow I will be standing on the top of the hill, and the staff of God will be in my hand.

10 So Joshua did according to what Moses said to him, to fight against Amalek, and Moses, Aaron, and Hur ascended to the top of the hill.

11 Then it would be when Moses would raise his hand, Israel would prevail, but when he would let down his hand, Amalek would prevail.

12 But the hands of Moses became heavy. So they took a stone and placed it under him. He sat upon it, and Aaron and Hur supported his hands on one side and the other side, and his hands were steady until the setting of the sun.

13 So Joshua laid Amalek and his people prostrate to the edge of the sword.

14 The Lord\* said to Moses, Write this remembrance in the book, and put (it) in the hearing of Joshua, for I will surely wipe out the memory of Amalek from under the heavens.

15 Then Moses built an altar, and he called its name Yahweh Nissi [the Lord\* is my banner],

16 And he said, For the hand is on the throne of Yah. The battle against Amalek belongs to the Lord\* from generation to generation.

## Chapter 18

Now Jethro, priest of Midian, the father-in-law of Moses, heard all that God had done for Moses and Israel his people, that the Lord\* had brought Israel out from Egypt.

2 Then Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses, took along Zipporah, the wife of Moses, after she had been sent away,

3 And her two sons, one whose name was Gershon, for he said, I have been a sojourner in a foreign land,

4 And the name of the (other) one was Eliezer, For he is the God of my father, as he helped me [Hebrew: b'ezri], and rescued me from the sword of Pharaoh.

5 Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses, and his sons and wife, came into the wilderness to Moses, who was camped there (near) the mountain of God.

6 Now he had said to Moses, I, your father-in-law Jethro, your wife and two sons with her, have come to you.

7 So Moses went to meet his father-in-law and bowed. He gave a kiss to him. They inquired, one to another, (as) to shalom, and went to the tent.

8 Then Moses recounted to his father-in-law all that the Lord\* had done, against Pharaoh and the Egyptians, for the cause of Israel, with all the hardship that they had found along the way, and (that) the Lord\* had rescued them.

9 So Jethro rejoiced on account of all the good that the Lord\* had done for Israel, that he had rescued them out of the hand of the Egyptians.

10 And Jethro said, Blessed be the Lord\* who rescued you from the hand of the Egyptians, and from the hand of Pharaoh, who rescued the people from underneath the hand of the Egyptians.

11 Now I know that the Lord\* is greater than all the gods, for it was due to the way that they acted presumptuously against them.

12 Then Jethro, the father-in-law of Moses, took and offered a whole burnt offering and sacrifices to God, and Aaron and all the elders of Israel came in to eat food with the father-in-law of Moses before God.

13 Now the next day it happened that Moses sat to judge the people, and they stood by Moses from morning until evening.

14 The father-in-law of Moses saw all that he was doing for the people, and said, What is this thing that you are doing for the people? Why are you alone sitting, and all the people are standing by you from morning until evening?

15 Moses said to his father-in-law, Because the people come to me to inquire of God.

16 For it will happen, a matter will come to me for them, I will judge between a person and his fellow citizen, and declare the statutes of God and his laws.

17 But the father-in-law of Moses said to him, The thing that you are doing is not good.

18 You will certainly languish, even you and this your people that are with you. For the thing is too burdensome for you. You will not be able to do it, you alone.

19 Now listen to my voice. I will give you advice, and may God be with you. You will be in front of God for the people, and you will bring the matters to God.

20 You will teach them the statutes and the laws, and declare to them the way in which they must walk, and the work that they must do.

21 Then you will provide, from all the people, men of ability who fear God, faithful men who hate unjust gain. You will set over them captains of thousands, captains of hundreds, captains of fifty, and captains of tens.

22 They will judge the people at all times, and it will be, every great matter they will bring to you, and every small matter, they will judge themselves. So to lighten your burden, they will bear (it) with you.

23 If you will do this thing, and God commands you, then you will be able to stand, and also all this people will come to his place in shalom.

24 Now Moses listened to his father-in-law, and did all that he said,

25 And Moses chose men of ability from all Israel, and appointed them leaders over the people: captains of thousands, captains of hundreds, captains of fifty, captains of tens.

26 They would judge the people at all times. They would bring in a more difficult matter to Moses, and every small matter they would judge themselves.

27 Then Moses sent off his father-in-law, and he went out himself to his

land.

## Chapter 19

In the third month of the going out of the Israelites from the land of Egypt, on this day, they entered into the wilderness of Sinai.

2 They journeyed from Rephadim, and entered into the wilderness of Sinai. They camped in the wilderness, and Israel camped there opposite the mountain.

3 Then Moses made the ascent up to God, and the Lord\* called to him from the mountain, saying, Thus you will say to the house of Jacob, and declare to the Israelites:

4 You have seen what I have done to the Egyptians. I carried you on the wings of eagles, and brought you to me.

5 So now, if you will listen carefully to my voice, and guard my covenant, then you will be to me a peculiar treasure out of all peoples. For all the earth is mine.

6 You will be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you will speak to the Israelites.

7 So Moses came in, called for the elders of the people, and set before them all these words that the Lord\* commanded him.

8 Then all the people answered together, and said, All that the Lord\* said, we will do. Then Moses brought back the words of the people to the Lord\*.

9 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Behold, I am coming to you in the thickness of the cloud mass, in order that the people will listen when I speak with you, also that they would have trust with you always. Then Moses declared the words of the people to the Lord\*.

10 The Lord\* said to Moses, Go to the people, and you will consecrate them today and tomorrow, and they will wash their clothes.

11 But they must be prepared for the third day, for on the third day the Lord\* will descend in the sight of all the people upon Mount Sinai.

12 You will set bounds for the people round about, saying, Take care for yourself going up on the mountain, or touching its boundary. Anyone

touching against the mountain will be put to a violent death.

13 Do not touch him, for he will surely be stoned to death, or be shot through (with arrows). He will not live, whether beast or man. At the sounding of the ram's horn they will ascend on the mountain.

14 Then Moses descended from the mountain to the people, and consecrated the people, and they washed their clothes.

15 Then he said to the people, Be prepared for the third of the days. Do not come near to your wife.

16 So it happened on the third day when it was the morning, that there was thunder, lightning, and a cloud mass heavy upon the mountain. The sound of a shofar was very loud, and all the people who were in the camp trembled.

17 Then Moses led out the people to call on God from the camp, and they stationed themselves in the lower part of the mountain.

18 Now Mount Sinai smoked, all of it, from the presence that the Lord\* came down upon it with fire. Its smoke went up like the smoke of the kiln, and all the mountain greatly quaked.

19 So it happened (that) the sound of the shofar went out, and it was very loud. Moses would speak, and God responded with (his) voice.

20 Then the Lord\* descended upon Mount Sinai to the top of the mountain, and called for Moses to the top of the mountain, and Moses went up.

21 The Lord\* said to Moses, Go down! Give a warning among the people, lest they break through to the Lord\* to see, and many fall from it.

22 Also the priests who draw near to the Lord\* must consecrate themselves lest the Lord\* break out on them.

23 Moses said to the Lord\*, The people will not be able to go up upon Mount Sinai, for you gave a warning to us, saying, Set bounds around the mountain, and consecrate it.

24 So the Lord\* said to him, Go! Go down, then you, and Aaron with you, will ascend. But the priests and the people must not break through to ascend to the Lord\*, lest he break out on them.

25 Then Moses went down to the people, and spoke to them.

## Chapter 20

God spoke all these words, saying:

2 I am the Lord\* your God who brought you out from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

3 You will have no other gods before me.

4 You will not make for yourself an idol or any likeness that is in the heavens above, that is on the earth below, or that is in the waters beneath the earth.

5 You will not bow down to them, nor serve them, for I, the Lord\* your God, am a jealous God, who visits the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third, and upon the fourth (generation) of those who hate me.

6 But steadfast love to thousands (of generations), to those who love me, and keep my commandments.

7 You will not lift up the name of the Lord\* your God to vanity, for the Lord\* will not hold innocent one who lifts up his name to vanity.

8 Remember the Sabbath day to consecrate it.

9 Six days you will labor, and do all your work,

10 But the seventh day is the Sabbath to the Lord\* your God. You will not do any work, you, nor your sons, nor your daughters, (nor) your manservant, nor your maidservant, nor your animal, nor your sojourner who is within your gates.

11 For the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, the Lord\* made (in) six days, and he rested on the seventh day, therefore the Lord\* has blessed the Sabbath day, and consecrated it.

12 Honor your father and mother, in order that your days will continue upon the land that the Lord\* your God has given to you.

13 Do not murder.

14 Do not commit adultery.

15 Do not steal.

16 You will not answer (as) a false witness against your fellow citizen.

17 Do not have a selfish desire for the house of your fellow citizen. Do not have a selfish desire for the wife of your fellow citizen, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his bull, nor his donkey, nor anything that belongs to your fellow citizen.

18 All the people observed the thundering, the lightning flashes, the sound of the shofar, and the mountain that was smoking. The people observed, trembled, and stood back from a distance.

19 So they said to Moses, Speak with us yourself, and we will listen, but do not let God speak with us, lest we die.

20 Then Moses said to the people, Do not fear, for God comes in order that he can try you, and in order that the fear of him will be upon you, so that you do not sin.

21 But the people stood back from a distance, and Moses drew near to the gross darkness where God was.

22 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Thus you will say to the Israelites, You have seen that from the heavens I spoke with you.

23 You must not make alongside me gods of silver, and you must not make gods of gold for yourself.

24 You will make an earthen altar for me, and sacrifice upon it your whole burnt offerings, your friendship offerings, your flock, and your herd. In every place where I cause my name to be remembered, I will come to you and bless you.

25 When you build an altar of stones to me, you will not build them of hewn stones, because you would move your tool back and forth upon it, but you must not profane it.

26 You may not go up on steps to my altar, so that you do not uncover your nakedness upon it.

## Chapter 21

Now these are the judgments you will set before them.

2 When you buy a Hebrew slave, he will serve six years, and in the seventh year he will go out to freedom, for nothing.

3 If he comes in by himself, he will go out by himself. If he is a husband of a wife, then he will go out, his wife with him.

4 If his master gave to him a wife, and she bore to him sons or daughters, the wife and her children, she belongs to her master, and he will go out by

himself.

5 But if the slave firmly states, I love my master, my wife, and my children. I do not want to go out free,

6 Then his master will bring him near to the judges, and bring him near to the door or the doorpost, and his master will pierce his ear with an awl, and he will be his slave forever.

7 When a man sells his daughter for a maidservant, she may not go out when the slaves go out.

8 If she is disagreeable in the eyes of her master, who has designated her for himself, then he must let her be redeemed. He will not have dominion to sell her to foreign people when he has acted treacherously against her.

9 If he appoints her to his son, he would do to her according to the judgment of daughters.

10 If he would take (another) for himself, he will not diminish her food, clothing, and marriage rights.

11 But if these three things he will not do for her, then she may go out free without money.

12 A man striking (another) that he dies must die a violent death.

13 But the one who did not lie in wait, and God allows (it) by his power, then I will set a place for you where he may flee.

14 Yet when a man acts presumptuously against his fellow citizen, to kill him in a devious way, you will take him away from my altar to kill (him).

15 One who strikes his father or mother must die a violent death,

16 And anyone who kidnaps, sells him, or he is found in his possession, must die a violent death.

17 One who curses his father or mother must die a violent death.

18 When men struggle, and one strikes his fellow citizen with a stone or a club, and he does not die, but must take to a bed,

19 If he rises, and walks about on the outside on his staff, then the one who struck him will be exempt from punishment, only he will pay (for) his loss of time, and will have him well healed.

20 When a man strikes his manservant or maidservant with a rod, and he dies beneath his hand, he will surely suffer vengeance.

21 However, if (after) a day or days he stands, he will not be avenged, for he

is his money.

22 When men struggle with each other, they strike a pregnant wife and her children come out, but there is no harm, he will be strictly fined according to what the husband of the wife lays against him, and he will pay with arbitration.

23 But if there was harm, then a life will pay for a life,

24 An eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth, a hand for a hand, a foot for a foot,

25 A burn for a burn, a bruise for a bruise, a blow for a blow.

26 When someone strikes the eye of his manservant or maidservant, and ruins it, he must send him out to freedom in place of his eye,

27 And when he causes a tooth of his manservant or maidservant to fall out, he must send him out to freedom in place of his tooth.

28 When a bull gores a man or wife and he dies, the bull will be stoned to death, and none of his flesh will be eaten, but the owner of the bull will be exempt from punishment.

29 But if it is a bull whose nature in the recent past is to gore, and a protest has been entered against his owner, and he has not restrained him, and it caused (a man's) death or the wife, the bull will be stoned to death, and also his owner must be put to death.

30 If a ransom is imposed upon him, then he must pay the ransom of his life, the price for ransom of a life that has been set upon him.

31 Or (if) it is a son or a daughter it gores, it will be done to him according to this judgment.

32 If the bull gores a manservant or maidservant, he will pay thirty shekels of silver to his master, and the bull must be stoned to death.

33 When someone opens a well or digs a pit, he does not cover it, and a bull or donkey falls (in) there,

34 The owner of the well will make recompense. He will pay money to its owner, and the dead one will be his.

35 When a bull of a person strikes the bull of his fellow citizen, and it dies, then they will sell the living bull and divide its money, and also they will divide the dead one.

36 Or should it become known that the bull is one whose nature in the recent past is to gore, and his owner did not restrain him, he will surely

recompense with a bull in place of the bull, and the dead one will belong to him.

## Chapter 22

When someone steals a bull or a sheep, and slaughters it or sells it, he will recompense five of the herd in place of the bull, and four of the flock in place of the sheep.

2 If the thief was found in the act of breaking in, is struck down, and is dead, there is no guilt of bloodshed for him.

3 If the sun rises upon him, the guilt of bloodshed is his. He must surely recompense. If he has nothing, then he must be sold for the cost of his stolen item.

4 If the stolen item has definitely been found in his hand, from a bull to a donkey to a sheep, (that is) living, he must recompense double.

5 When someone causes a field or a vineyard to be grazed over, he sends out his cattle, and they graze in another field, he must recompense with the best of his field or his vineyard.

6 When a fire breaks out, it lights on the thornbushes, and a stack (of sheaves), or the standing grain, or the field, is consumed, the one who kindled the burning will surely make recompense.

7 When a person entrusts to his fellow citizen money or articles to guard, and they are stolen away from the house of the person, if the thief is found, he will recompense double.

8 If the thief is not found, then the owner of the house shall be brought to God, as to whether or not he has stretched out his hand against the property of his fellow citizen.

9 Every matter of transgression, regarding a bull, a donkey, a sheep, an outer garment, or any lost thing, as to which he says that this is his, the word of both of them will come to God. The one whom God pronounces guilty will recompense double to his fellow citizen.

10 When a person gives to his fellow citizen a donkey, a bull, a sheep, or any beast, to guard, and it is dead or has a fracture, no one seeing,

11 There will be an oath to the Lord\* between the two of them, that he did not stretch out his hand against the property of his fellow citizen, its owner will receive (it), and he need not make recompense.

12 If it has definitely been stolen from him, he will make recompense to its owner.

13 If it has been violently torn, he will bring it out (as) evidence.

14 When a person borrows from his fellow citizen, and it has been fractured or is dead, its owner not being with it, he must surely make recompense.

15 If its owner was with it, he will not make recompense. If hired, it comes with his hire.

16 When a man seduces a virgin who is not betrothed, and lies with her, he must surely acquire her for himself to wife.

17 If her father strictly refuses to give her to him, he will weigh out money according to the price of the virgins.

18 Do not let a sorceress live.

19 Anyone who lies with a beast must die a violent death.

20 He who sacrifices to gods, except to the Lord\*, him alone, must be devoted (to death).

21 You must not mistreat nor oppress a sojourner, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt.

22 You must not mistreat any widow or the fatherless.

23 If you grossly mistreat a person, then if he cries out loudly to me, I will certainly hear his cry.

24 My anger will burn, and I will kill you with the sword. Your wives will be widows, and your children will be fatherless.

25 If you lend my people money, the afflicted with you, you must not become to him as a creditor. You must not put usury upon him.

26 If you firmly bind a pledge of an outer garment of your fellow citizen, you must return it to him toward the end of the sun being out,

27 For it is his covering, his alone. It is his outer garment for his skin. In what will he lie down to sleep? It will be when he cries out to me, that I will hear, because I am gracious.

28 Do not make God (a subject of) contempt, and you will not curse a ruler of your people.

29 You will not keep back your produce and your juice. You will give the firstborn of your sons to me.

30 Thus you will do for your bull, for your flock animal. Seven days it will be with its mother. On the eighth day you will give it to me.

31 You will be a holy people to me, so you must not eat flesh in the open field (that) is torn. You will throw it to the dog(s).

## Chapter 23

Do not lift up a false report. Do not set your hand with the wicked, to become a witness (supporting) violence.

2 You will not be after the many for harm. You will not respond as a witness upon occasion of a dispute, to turn aside after the many to cause a turning away (from justice).

3 You must not show favor to the poor in his dispute.

4 When you encounter a bull of your enemy, or his donkey who is wandering, you will surely restore it to him.

5 When you see the donkey of one who hates you, who is lying down underneath his load, and you would refrain from freeing of it, you must by all means free it with him.

6 Do not pervert the justice of your needy one in his dispute.

7 You must keep distant from a false matter, and do not kill the innocent and the righteous, for I do not declare righteous the wicked.

8 Do not take a bribe, because the bribe blinds the clear-sighted ones, and subverts the words of the righteous ones.

9 Do not oppress a sojourner, for you yourselves know the feeling of the sojourner, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt.

10 Six years you will sow your land, and gather its produce,

11 But the seventh you will let drop, and let it alone. The needy with you will eat, and the beast of the field will eat their remainder. Thus you will do to your vineyard, to your olive trees.

12 Six days you will do your work, and on the seventh day you will cease from labor, in order that your bull and your donkey may rest, and the child of

your maidservant and the sojourner may refresh themselves.

13 Now in all that I have said to you, you will take heed, and you will not mention the name of foreign gods. Let it not be heard upon your mouth.

14 Three times through the year you will make a pilgrim feast to me.

15 You will observe the pilgrim feast of unleavened bread. You will eat unleavened bread seven days according to what I commanded you at the appointed time of the month Abib, for in it you went out from Egypt. They must not appear before me without an offering.

16 There will be a pilgrim feast of the harvest, the first fruits of your labor that you sow in the field, and there will be a pilgrim feast of the ingathering at the end of the year, in your gathering your labor from the field.

17 Three times through the year all of your males will appear before the Lord God\*.

18 Do not offer the blood of my sacrifice upon that which is leavened, and one must not leave the fat of my festival sacrifice until the morning.

19 You will bring the beginning of the first fruits of your ground (to) the house of the Lord\* your God. You will not boil a kid in the milk of its mother.

20 Behold , I am sending an angel in front of you to protect you along the way, and to bring you to the place that I have made ready.

21 Be on guard from his presence, and listen to his voice. Do not rebel against him, for he will not grant forgiveness for your transgression, because my name is in the midst of him.

22 For if you carefully listen to my voice, and do all that I speak, then I will treat as an enemy your enemies, and show hostility toward those who are hostile to you.

23 For my angel will go before you, and lead you against the Amorite, the Hittite, the Perezite, the Canaanite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite, and annihilate them.

24 Do not bow down in worship to their gods, and do not serve them, and you must not do according to their works. For you must certainly tear them down, and break in pieces their sacred pillars.

25 You will serve the Lord\* your God, and he will bless your food and water. I will remove disease from your inward parts.

26 No one will be made childless and barren in your land. I will fulfill the

number of your days.

27 I will send out my terror before you. I will confuse all the people whom you will come against, and I will give all your enemies against you the back of the neck.

28 I will send hornets before you, and they will drive out the Hivite, the Canaanite, and the Hittite from before you.

29 I will not drive them from your presence in one year, lest the land become a desolation, and wild animals in the field become excessive around you.

30 Little (by) little, I will drive them out from your presence, until you bear offspring, and inherit the land.

31 I will set your border from the Red Sea and to the sea of the Philistines, and from the wilderness to the river, for I will give into your hand the inhabitants of the land, and you will drive them from your presence.

32 You will not cut a covenant in regard to them or to their gods.

33 They must not dwell in your land, lest they cause you to sin against me, for you would serve their gods, for they would be to you for a snare.

## Chapter 24

Then to Moses he said, Go up to the Lord\*, you and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel, and you will bow down in worship from a distance.

2 Moses will draw near by himself to the Lord\*. They will not draw near, and the people will not go up with him.

3 Moses entered in and recounted to the people all the words of the Lord\* and all the judgments, and all the people answered (in) one voice and said, All the words that the Lord\* spoke we will do.

4 So Moses wrote all the words of the Lord\*, he rose up early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain, and twelve sacred pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 Then he sent the young men of the Israelites, and they offered whole burnt offerings, and sacrificed sacrifices of friendship offerings to the Lord\*,

bulls.

6 Then Moses took half of the blood, put (it) in basins, and scattered half of the blood abundantly upon the altar.

7 He took the scroll of the covenant, read (it) in the hearing of the people, and they said, All that the Lord\* spoke we will do and listen to.

8 Then Moses took the blood, scattered (it) abundantly on the people, and said, Behold, it is the blood of the covenant the Lord\* has cut with you according to all these words.

9 Then Moses, Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, and seventy elders of Israel went up,

10 And they saw the God of Israel, and underneath his feet the like of the work of pavement of sapphire, and the embodiment of the heavens for purity.

11 But he did not stretch out his hands to the nobles of the Israelites. They beheld God, ate, and drank.

12 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Come up to me to the mountain, and be there. I will give to you tablets of stone, the law, and the commandments that I have written to teach them.

13 Then Moses rose, and his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up upon the mountain of God.

14 He said to the elders, Wait for us in this (place) until that we come back to you. Whoever has a matter, he may approach them.

15 Then Moses went up upon the mountain, and the cloud mass covered the mountain,

16 And the glory of the Lord\* abided upon Mount Sinai, and the cloud mass covered it six days. Then he called to Moses on the seventh day from the midst of the cloud mass.

17 The appearance of the glory of the Lord\* was as a consuming fire on the peak of the mountain in the sight of the Israelites.

## Chapter 25

The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

2 Speak to the Israelites, and let them take for me an offering. You will take my offering from everyone whose heart compels him.

3 Now this is the offering that you will take from them: gold, silver, and bronze,

4 And violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, and scarlet fabric, fine linen and goats' hair,

5 And ram skins dyed red, tahash skins, and acacia wood,

6 Oil for the light, perfumes for the anointing oil, and incense of spices,

7 Onyx stones, and stones for setting, for the ephod and for the sacred pouch.

8 They will make a sanctuary for me, and I will abide in the midst of them.

9 According to all that I show you, the pattern of the dwelling place, and the pattern of all its furnishings, thus you will do.

10 They will make a chest of acacia wood, two cubits and a half its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height.

11 You will overlay it with pure gold. You will overlay it within and without, and make upon it a circlet of gold all around.

12 You will cast for it four rings of gold, put (one) upon its four feet, and two rings upon its one side, and two rings upon its second side.

13 You will make poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold,

14 And you will put the poles into the rings at the sides of the chest, to carry the chest with them.

15 The poles will be in the rings of the chest. They must not be removed from it.

16 You will place into the chest the testimony that I will give to you.

17 You will make a propitiatory of pure gold, two cubits and a half its length, and a cubit and a half its width.

18 You will make two cherubim of gold. You will make them of hammered work on the two ends of the propitiatory.

19 Make one cherub from the end on this side, and one cherub from the end on that side. You will make the cherubim out of the propitiatory upon its two ends,

20 And the cherubim will spread out wings upward, screening with their wings above the propitiatory, and their faces will be each one to his

companion. The faces of the cherubim will be toward the propitiatory.

21 You will put the propitiatory upon the chest from above, and into the chest you will put the testimony that I will give to you.

22 I will meet with you there, and speak with you all that I command you regarding the Israelites, above the propitiatory from between the two cherubim that are on the chest of the testimony.

23 You will make a table of acacia wood, its length two cubits, its width a cubit, and its height a cubit and a half.

24 You will overlay it (with) pure gold, and make a circlet of gold for it all around.

25 You will make an enclosure of a span for it all around, and make a circlet of gold for its enclosure all around.

26 You will make four rings of gold for it, and put the rings upon the four corners that belong to its four legs.

27 The rings will be side by side with the enclosure for the holders for the poles to carry the table.

28 You will make the poles of acacia wood, overlay them (with) gold, and carry the table with them.

29 You will make its dishes, its pans, its jars, and its sacrificial bowls, that will be poured out by them. You will make them (of) pure gold.

30 You will put upon the table the bread of presence before me continually.

31 You will make a menorah of pure gold. The menorah will be made of hammered work. Its base, shaft, cups, bulbs, and buds will come out of it,

32 And six branches going out from its sides, three branches out of one side of the menorah, and three branches out of the other side of the two.

33 Three cups of almond (shape) on the one branch, a bulb and a bud, and three cups of almond (shape) on the (other) branch, a bulb and a bud, thus it will be for the six branches going out from the menorah.

34 On the menorah will be four cups of almond (shape), its bulbs and its buds.

35 A bulb will be beneath two of the branches out of it, and a bulb beneath two of the branches out of it, and a bulb beneath two of the branches out of it, for the six branches going out from the menorah.

36 Their bulbs and their branches will come out of it, all of it a single

hammered work (of) pure gold.

37 You will make its seven lamps. One will light up its lamps, and it will give light upon the space in front of it.

38 Its lamp-snuffers and its snuff-holders will be (of) pure gold.

39 One will make it (of) a talent of pure gold, with all these articles.

40 Observe and make (them) by the pattern that you saw on the mountain.

## Chapter 26

You will make the dwelling place (with) ten curtains, of twisted fine linen, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, and scarlet fabric, (with) cherubim. The work of the skilled workman you will make them.

2 The length of the one curtain will be twenty-eight by the cubit, and the width four by the cubit, one measure for all the curtains.

3 Five curtains will be joined, each one to another, and five curtains joined, each one to another.

4 You will make loops of violet thread, upon the edge of the one curtain (set), at the end along the joining, and thus you will make along the edge of the curtain at the end along the joining of the second curtain (set).

5 You will make fifty loops on the one curtain (set), and fifty loops on the end of the curtain (set) that is along the joining of the second one. The corresponding loops will be each one to its opposite.

6 You will make fifty hooks of gold, and join the curtains together, each one to the other, by the hooks, and the dwelling place will be one.

7 You will make the curtains of goats' hair for the tent over the dwelling place. Eleven curtains, you will make them.

8 The length of the one curtain will be thirty by the cubit, and the width of the one curtain will be four by the cubit, one measure for the eleven curtains.

9 You will join five of the curtains by themselves, and six of the curtains by themselves, and you will double over the sixth curtain toward the front of the tent.

10 You will make fifty loops upon the edge of the one outermost curtain

(set), where joined together, and fifty loops upon the edge of the second curtain (set) joined together.

11 You will make fifty hooks of bronze, put the hooks into the loops, and connect the tent together, and it will become one.

12 The excess that remains among the curtains of the tent, the half of the curtain that remains will hang free over the back parts of the dwelling place.

13 The cubit on this side, and the cubit on that side, in the remainder along the length of the curtains of the tent, will be hanging over the sides of the dwelling place, on this side and on that side, for its covering.

14 You will make a covering for the tent of ram skins dyed red, and a covering of tahash skins above.

15 You will make the boards for the dwelling place of acacia wood, upright.

16 Ten cubits will be the length of the board, and a cubit and a half the width of the one.

17 The one board will have two tenons, joined each one to its companion. You will do this for all boards of the dwelling place.

18 You will make the boards for the dwelling place, twenty boards for the south quarter toward the south.

19 You will make forty sockets of silver beneath the twenty boards, two sockets beneath the one board for its two tenons, and two sockets beneath the one board for its two tenons.

20 To the side of the dwelling place, the second (one) toward the north quarter, there will be twenty boards.

21 Their forty sockets will be of silver, two sockets beneath the one board, and two sockets beneath the one board.

22 You will make six boards for the extreme parts of the dwelling place westward.

23 You will make two boards for the (inner) corner buttresses in the extreme parts of the dwelling place.

24 They will be double beneath, and they will be together, perfectly (fitted) upon the top of it, with the one ring. Thus it will be for both of them, the two (inner) corner buttresses.

25 There will be eight boards, and their sockets of silver will be sixteen sockets, two sockets beneath the one board, and two sockets beneath the

one board.

26 You will make their bars of acacia wood, five for the boards of the one side of the dwelling place,

27 And five bars for the boards of the second side of the dwelling place, and five bars for the boards of the side of the dwelling place to the extreme parts westward.

28 The middle bar in the middle of the boards will pass through from end to end.

29 You will overlay the boards (with) gold, and make their rings of gold, a housing for the bars. You will also overlay the bars (with) gold.

30 You will raise up the dwelling place, the likeness of his dwelling place that you were shown on the mountain.

31 You will make a curtain of violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen, (with) cherubim. The work of a skilled workman, he will make it.

32 You will set it upon four pillars of acacia overlaid with gold, and their nails of gold, upon four sockets of silver.

33 You will set the curtain under the hooks, and carry there the chest of the testimony inside of the curtain. The curtain will make a separation for you between the holy place and the holy of holies.

34 You will put the propitiatory over the chest of the testimony, inside the holy of holies.

35 You will set the table outside of the curtain, and the menorah in front of the table on the south side of the dwelling place, and you will put the table on the north side.

36 You will make a screen, at the entrance of the tent, of violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen, the work of a weaver of colors.

37 You will make five pillars of acacia for the screen, and overlay them with gold, and their nails of gold. You will cast five sockets of bronze for them.

## Chapter 27

You will make the altar of acacia wood, five cubits long, and five cubits wide. The altar will be square, and three cubits will be its height,

2 And you will make its hornlike projections upon its four corners. Its hornlike projections will come out of it, and you will overlay it with bronze.

3 You will make its pots for its ashes, its shovels, its bowls, its sacrificial implements, and its firepans. For each of its articles, you will make (it) of bronze.

4 You also will make for it a grating, the work a network of bronze, and you will make on the network four bronze rings upon the four ends,

5 And you will put it under the rim of the altar beneath. The network will reach as far as the middle of the altar.

6 You will make the poles for the altar, poles of acacia wood, and overlay them (with) bronze,

7 And its poles will be inserted into the rings, and the poles will be on the two sides of the altar when carrying it.

8 You will make it hollowed (with) planks. According to what was shown you on the mountain, thus they will do.

9 You will make the court of the dwelling place. For the south side southward, the hangings for the court will be twisted fine linen, a hundred long by the cubit for the one side.

10 Its pillars will be twenty, and its sockets twenty, of bronze, and the nails of the pillars and their clasping rings will be of silver,

11 And so for the north side in length, the hangings a hundred long, and its pillars twenty, and its sockets twenty, of bronze, and the nails of the pillars and their clasping rings of silver.

12 The width of the court to the west, the hangings will be fifty cubits, their pillars ten and their sockets ten.

13 The width of the court to the east side toward the east will be fifty cubits.

14 The hangings for one side will be fifteen cubits, their pillars three, and their sockets three.

15 For the opposite side, the hangings will be fifteen, their pillars three, and their sockets three.

16 For the gate of the court, there will be a screen of twenty cubits (long), (of) violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen, the work of a weaver in colors. Their pillars will be four, and their sockets four.

17 All the pillars of the surrounding court will be furnished with clasping rings and their nails of silver, and their sockets of bronze.

18 The length of the court will be a hundred by the cubit, the width fifty by the cubit, and a height of five cubits, of twisted fine linen, and their sockets of bronze.

19 As regarding all the articles of the dwelling place, in all its service, its pegs and all the pegs of the court, will be of bronze.

20 You will command the Israelites, that they will take pure beaten olive oil for lighting, to light the lamp (in) continuity.

21 In the tent of meeting, on the outside of the curtain that is before the testimony, Aaron and his sons will arrange it from evening to morning before the Lord\*, a statute forever for their generations on the part of the Israelites.

## Chapter 28

You will bring Aaron your brother near to you, and his sons with him, from the midst of the sons of Israel, to make him a priest to me: Aaron, Nadab, Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron.

2 You will make holy garments for Aaron your brother, for honor and beauty.

3 You will speak to all those wise of mind, whom I will fill with the spirit of wisdom, and they will make the garments of Aaron, to set him apart, to make him a priest to me.

4 These will be the garments that they will make: a sacred pouch, an ephod, a robe, a tunic of plaited work, a turban, and a girdle, and they will make the holy garments for Aaron your brother, and for his sons, to make him a priest to me.

5 They will take the gold, the violet thread, the wool dyed reddish violet, the scarlet fabric, and fine linen,

6 And they will make the ephod of gold, violet thread, wool dyed reddish

violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen, skilled work.

7 The two shoulder pieces will be joined together on its two ends, and (so) they will be joined.

8 The precisely woven band of his ephod that will be upon him, will be the like of its workmanship for him (in) gold, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen.

9 You will take two onyx stones and engrave upon them the names of the sons of Israel.

10 Six of their names will be upon the one stone, and the six remaining names will be upon the second stone, according to their birth.

11 You will engrave a seal upon the two stones the names of the sons of Israel, the work of an engraver in stone. You will make them settings of plaited work of gold,

12 And you will put the two stones upon the shoulders of the ephod, the stones of remembrance of the sons of Israel, and Aaron will bear their names before the Lord\* upon his two shoulders for a remembrance.

13 You will make plaited settings of gold,

14 And two chains of pure gold, you will make them, a work of cords, and you will set the chains of cords upon the plaited settings.

15 You will make the sacred pouch of judgment, skilled work, the like of the work of the ephod, you will make it. You will make it of gold, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen.

16 It will be a square folded double, its length a span, and its width a span,

17 And you will set in it the stone (for) setting. There will be four rows of stone, a row of a ruby, a topaz, and an emerald (for) the one row,

18 And the second row will be a turquoise, a sapphire, and an onyx,

19 And the third row will be a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst,

20 And the fourth row will be a yellow jasper, a carnelian, and a jasper. This will be plaited work of gold in their settings.

21 The stones will be according to the names of the sons of Israel, twelve by their names. They will be engraved with a seal, each one according to his name, for the twelve tribes.

22 You will make upon the sacred pouch twisted chains of cordage work (in) pure gold.

23 You will make upon the sacred pouch two gold rings, and set the two rings on the two ends of the sacred pouch,

24 And you will put the two cords of gold on the two rings upon the ends of the sacred pouch.

25 You will put the two ends of the two cords upon the two plaited settings, and put (them) upon the shoulders of the ephod in front of him.

26 You will make the two rings of gold, and set them upon the two ends of the sacred pouch on its edge, that is on the inner side of the ephod.

27 You will make two rings of gold, and put them upon the two shoulders beneath the ephod, in front of (and) side by side with its place of joining above with respect to the precisely woven band of the ephod.

28 They will bind the sacred pouch by its rings to the rings of the ephod with the violet thread, to be upon the precisely woven band of the ephod, that the sacred pouch cannot be displaced from upon the ephod.

29 So Aaron will bear the names of the sons of Israel in the sacred pouch of the judgment upon his heart, when he comes in to the holy place, for a memorial before the Lord\* continually.

30 You will put into the sacred pouch of the judgment the Urim and Thummim, they will be upon the heart of Aaron when he comes in before the Lord\*, and Aaron will bear the judgment of the Israelites upon his heart before the Lord\* continually.

31 You will make the robe of the ephod entirely of violet thread,

32 And there will be an opening (for) his head in the middle of it. There will be an edge for the opening of it all around, the work of a weaver. It will be the like of a corselet for it, that cannot be torn.

33 You will make upon his skirts pomegranates of violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, and scarlet fabric, upon his skirts all around, and bells of gold in among them all around,

34 A bell of gold, and a pomegranate, a bell of gold, and a pomegranate, a bell of gold, and a pomegranate, upon the skirts of the robe, all around.

35 It will be upon Aaron to minister, and its sound will be heard when he comes in to the holy place before the Lord\*, and when he goes out, that he does not die.

36 You will make a shining plate of pure gold, and engrave upon it, the

engravings of a signet, Holiness to the Lord\*.

37 You will put it upon a violet cord, and it will be upon the turban. It will be upon the front face of the turban,

38 And it will be upon the forehead of Aaron, and Aaron will bear the responsibility for the consecrated things that the Israelites will set apart for all their consecrated gifts, and it will be upon his forehead continually for the acceptance of them before the Lord\*.

39 You will plait the tunic (in) fine linen, make the turban (with) fine linen, and make a girdle, the work of a weaver in colors.

40 You will make tunics for the sons of Aaron, make girdles for them, and make turbans for them, for honor and beauty,

41 And you will clothe them, Aaron your brother, and his sons with him, anoint them, install them, and sanctify them, and they will minister to me.

42 Make also for them drawers of white linen to cover naked flesh. They will be from the loins and to the thighs,

43 And they will be upon Aaron and his sons when they come into the tent of meeting, or draw near to the altar to minister in the holy place, that they do not bear the guilt of iniquity, and die. It will be a statute forever for him and his offspring after him.

## Chapter 29

This is the thing that you will do to them, to sanctify them to be a priest to me: take one bull, a calf of the herd, and two rams, complete,

2 And unleavened bread, unleavened cakes mixed with oil, and unleavened wafers anointed with oil. You will make them of fine wheat flour.

3 You will put them into one basket, and present them in a basket, with the bull and the two rams.

4 You will bring Aaron and his sons near to the door of the tent of meeting, and wash them with water.

5 You will take the garments, clothe Aaron with the tunic, the robe of the ephod, the ephod, and the sacred pouch. You will gird the ephod upon him, with the precisely woven band of the ephod,

6 And you will set the turban upon his head, and put the crown of holiness upon the turban.

7 You will take the anointing oil, pour (it) upon his head, and anoint him.

8 Then you will bring his sons near, and clothe them (with) tunics.

9 You will gird them (with) a girdle, Aaron and his sons, and bind a turban to them. They will have the priesthood for a statute forever, and you will install Aaron and his sons.

10 Then you will bring the bull near, in front of the tent of meeting, and Aaron and his sons will lay their hands upon the head of the bull,

11 And you will slaughter the bull in front of the Lord\* (at) the entrance of the tent of meeting.

12 Then you will take some of the blood of the bull, put it upon the hornlike projections of the altar with your finger, and pour all the blood at the foundation of the altar.

13 You will take all the fat covering the inward parts, the appendage upon the liver, the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them, and send (them) up in smoke at the altar.

14 But the flesh of the bull, its skin, and its offal, you will burn in fire on the outside of the camp. It will be a sin offering.

15 You will take the one ram, and Aaron and his sons will lay their hands upon the head of the ram.

16 You will slaughter the ram, take its blood, and splash (it) upon the altar all around.

17 You will divide the ram to cut it up into pieces, wash its inward parts and its legs, and put (them) upon its cut up pieces, and upon its head.

18 You will send all the ram up in smoke (on) the altar. It will be a whole burnt offering to the Lord\*. It will be an aroma, a soothing scent, an offering made by fire to the Lord\*.

19 You will take the second ram, and Aaron and his sons will lay their hands upon the head of the ram,

20 And you will slaughter the ram, take some of its blood, put (it) upon the lobe of Aaron's ear, and upon the lobe of the ear of his sons (the right ear), upon their right thumb, and upon their right great toe, and you will splash the blood upon the altar all around.

21 You will take some of the blood that is upon the altar, and some of the anointing oil, and sprinkle (it) upon Aaron and his garments, upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him. It will sanctify him, his garments, his sons, and the garments of his sons with him.

22 You will take from the ram the fat, the fat tail, the fat covering the inward parts, the appendage of the liver, the two kidneys, the fat that is upon them, and the right thigh, because it is the ram of the installation offering.

23 There will be one round loaf of bread, one cake of bread (with) oil, and one wafer, from a basket of unleavened bread that is before the Lord\*.

24 You will set all (of it) upon the palms of Aaron and his sons, and wave them back and forth, a wave offering before the Lord\*.

25 You will take them from their hands, and send (them) up in smoke on the altar, according to a whole burnt offering, for an aroma, a soothing scent before the Lord\*. It will be an offering made by fire to the Lord\*.

26 You will take the breast from the ram, the installation offering that is for Aaron, and wave it back and forth, a wave offering before the Lord\*, and it will be yours for a portion.

27 You will consecrate the breast of the wave offering, and the thigh of the contribution, that which will be waved back and forth, and that which will be lifted up and presented, from the ram of the installation offering, from that which will be for Aaron, and from that which will be for his sons.

28 It will be instituted for Aaron and his sons forever as a perpetual ordinance with the Israelites, for it is a contribution, and it will be a contribution from the Israelites in excess of their sacrifices of friendship. It will be a contribution to the Lord\*.

29 The consecrated garments that are Aaron's will be his sons' after him, to be anointed in them, and to be installed in them.

30 Any one of his sons who becomes priest in his place will put them on (for) seven days, that he may enter into the tent of meeting, to minister in the holy place.

31 You will take the ram of the installation offering, and boil its flesh in the holy place.

32 Aaron and his sons will eat the flesh of the ram, and the bread that is in the basket. It will be (in) the entrance of the tent of meeting,

33 And they will eat them, that atonement was made by them, to install them, to consecrate them, but the foreigner will not eat, for those are consecrated.

34 If there remains any of the flesh of the installation offering, or any of the bread, until the morning, then you will burn the remainder in fire. It will not be eaten, for that is consecrated.

35 You will do thus for Aaron and his sons. It will be thus that I command you. Seven days you will install them.

36 The bull of the sin offering you will perform daily concerning the atonement. You will make a sin offering upon the altar when you make atonement for it, and anoint it to consecrate it.

37 Seven days you will make atonement for the altar, consecrate it, and it will be the altar of the holy of holies. Anything that touches against the altar will be consecrated.

38 Now this is what you will perform upon the altar: two year old lambs daily, continually.

39 The one lamb you will perform in the morning, and the second lamb you will perform at dusk,

40 And a tenth part of fine flour will be mixed with beaten oil, a fourth part of a hin, and a drink offering of a fourth of a hin of wine, for the one lamb.

41 The second lamb you will perform at dusk, according to the grain offering of the morning, and according to the drink offering you perform for it, a soothing scent, an offering made by fire to the Lord\*.

42 It will be a continual whole burnt offering for your generations (at) the entrance of the tent of meeting before the Lord\*, where I will meet you, to speak to you.

43 I will meet with the Israelites there, and it will be consecrated by my glory.

44 So I will consecrate the tent of meeting and the altar, and sanctify Aaron and his sons to minister to me as priests.

45 I will abide among the Israelites, and I will be to them for God,

46 And they will know that I am the Lord\* their God, who brought them out from the land of Egypt, to abide in their midst. I am the Lord\* their God.

## Chapter 30

You will make an altar that will send up incense in smoke. You will make it of acacia wood.

2 A cubit will be its length, and a cubit will be its width. It will be square, and two cubits will be its height. Its hornlike projections will come out of it.

3 You will overlay it (with) pure gold, its top and its surrounding walls, and its hornlike projections, and you will make a circlet of gold for it all around.

4 You will make for it two rings of gold underneath of its circlet upon two of its sides. You will make (them) upon two of its sides, and it will be for the housing of the poles with which to carry it,

5 And you will make the poles of acacia wood, and overlay them with gold.

6 You will put it in front of the curtain that is before the chest of the testimony in front of the propitiatory that is over the testimony where I will meet you.

7 Aaron will send up incense of spices over it. In the morning when he trims the lamps, he will send (it) up in smoke,

8 And when Aaron lights the lamps at dusk, he will send up incense in smoke continually before the Lord\* for your generations.

9 Now you will not offer up strange incense upon it, nor a whole burnt offering, nor a grain offering, and you will not pour out a drink offering upon it.

10 Aaron will make atonement upon its hornlike projections once in a year from the blood of the sin offering of the atonement. Once in a year he will make atonement upon it for your generations. It is the holy of holies to the Lord\*.

11 The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

12 You will surely take the count of the Israelites according to the number of them, and each one will give the ransom of his life to the Lord\*, in counting them, that there will not be a plague among them, in counting them.

13 All who pass by the count will give this: half of a shekel by the shekel of the sanctuary (twenty gerah is a shekel). Half of a shekel will be the contribution to the Lord\*.

14 All who pass by the count from twenty years old and above will lift a

contribution (to) the Lord\*.

15 The rich will not increase, and the poor will not diminish from the half shekel, to lift a contribution (to) the Lord\* to make atonement on behalf of your lives,

16 And you will take the money of the atonement from the Israelites, and give it to the service of the tent of meeting, and it will be to the Israelites for a memorial before the Lord\* for the atonement on behalf of your lives.

17 The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

18 You will make a basin of bronze and its base of bronze to wash, and put it between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water there,

19 And Aaron and sons will wash their hands and feet from it.

20 When they come in to the tent of meeting, they must wash with water, that they do not die, or when they draw near to the altar to minister, to send up in smoke an offering made by fire to the Lord\*,

21 And they must wash their hands and feet, that they do not die, and it will be a statute for them forever, for him and his offspring for their generations.

22 The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

23 (As for) you, take for yourself the finest spices: myrrh of pearls, five hundred (shekels), and cinnamon of sweet odor, half of it, two hundred fifty (shekels), and calamus of sweet odor, two hundred fifty (shekels),

24 And cassia, five hundred by the shekel of the sanctuary, and olive oil, a hin.

25 So you will make it, the oil of the sacred ointment of the perfumer of spice mixtures, the work of the perfumer of the oil of the sacred ointment,

26 And you will anoint the tent of meeting, and the chest of the testimony with it,

27 And the table and all its articles, the menorah and all its articles, and the altar of incense,

28 And the altar of whole burnt offering, all of its articles, and the basin and its base.

29 So you will consecrate them, and they will be the holy of holies. Any of those which touch upon them will be consecrated.

30 You will anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them to minister as priests to me.

31 You will speak to the Israelites, saying, This will be the oil of the sacred ointment to me for your generations.

32 It will not be poured out upon the flesh of a man, and with its proportion you will not make the like of it. That is holy. It will be holy for you.

33 Anyone who would mix the like of it, or who would put some of it upon a stranger, he must be cut off from his people.

34 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Take for yourself spices: stacte, mollusk flaps, gum - spices and pure frankincense. It will be part for part,

35 And you will make it, the incense of perfume, the work of the perfumer, salted, pure, set apart.

36 You will also beat some of it fine, and put some of it in front of the testimony in the tent of meeting, where I will meet with you. It will be the holy of holies for you.

37 The incense that you will make, and with its proportions, you will not make for yourself. It is holy to the Lord\* for you.

38 Anyone who would mix the like of it, to smell the odor of it, will be cut off from his people.

## Chapter 31

The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

2 Observe. I am appointing by name, Bezalel, son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah,

3 And I, the Spirit of God, will fill him with wisdom, understanding, and knowledge, and in every occupation,

4 To devise a plan to work with gold, silver, and bronze,

5 And with carving of stone for setting, and carving of wood, to work in every occupation,

6 And I, behold, I appoint with him Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, and in the mind of all wise of mind, I put wisdom, and they will make all that I commanded you,

7 The tent of meeting, the chest of the testimony, the propitiatory that is over it, and all the articles of the tent,

8 And the table and its articles, the pure (gold) menorah and all its articles, and the altar of incense,  
9 And the altar of the whole burnt offering and all its articles, and the basin and its base,  
10 And the garments of braided work, the sacred garments of Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons to minister as priests,  
11 And the anointing oil, and the incense of sacred spices. According to all that I have commanded you, they will do.  
12 The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:  
13 (As for) you, speak to the Israelites, saying, Surely my Sabbaths you will keep, for it is a sign between me and you, for your generations to know that I am the Lord\* who sanctifies you,  
14 And you will keep the Sabbaths, for this is holy for you. He who profanes it will die. Any day that anyone does an occupation on it, that person will be cut down from the midst of his people.  
15 Six days an occupation will be done, but on the seventh day, it is the Sabbath, a sabbatism, holy to the Lord\*. Any day, anyone who does an occupation on the Sabbath day will die.  
16 So the Israelites must keep the Sabbath for their generations, an everlasting covenant.  
17 Between me and the Israelites, this is a sign forever, for (in) six days the Lord\* made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and refreshed himself.  
18 When he finished speaking with him on Mount Sinai, he gave to Moses two tablets of testimony, stone tablets written by the finger of God.

## Chapter 32

Now the people saw that Moses delayed to descend from the mountain, then they congregated to Aaron, and said to him, Arise, make gods for us who will go before us, for this man Moses, who brought us up from Egypt, we do not know what became of him.

2 Then Aaron said to them, Remove the gold earrings that are in the ears of

your wives, sons, and daughters, and bring them to me.

3 So all the people removed the gold earrings that were in their ears, and brought (them) to Aaron,

4 And he took (them) from their hand, fashioned it with a graving tool, made it a molten metal calf,, and they said, This is your god, O Israel, who brought you out of the land of Egypt.

5 Now Aaron saw (it), and built an altar in front of it. Then Aaron called out, and said, There will be a feast to the Lord\* tomorrow.

6 So they rose up early on the next day, offered up whole burnt offerings, and brought the sacrifices of friendship near. So the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

7 So the Lord\* said to Moses, Go down, for your people have become corrupt, whom you brought up from the land of Egypt.

8 They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I have commanded them. They have made for themselves a molten calf, have bowed down in worship to it, sacrificed to it, and said, This is your god, O Israel, who brought you up from the land of Egypt.

9 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, I have seen this people, and behold, they are a people of a stiff neck.

10 So now, let me alone, and let my anger burn against them. I will destroy them, and make you into a great nation.

11 But Moses implored favor in the presence of the Lord\* his God, and said, Why, O Lord\*, does your anger burn against your people, whom you brought out from the land of Egypt, with great power, and by a strong hand?

12 How the Egyptians will speak, saying, He brought them out with evil purpose, to kill them on the mountains, and to put an end to them from upon the surface of the land. Turn back the fierceness of your anger, and have compassion concerning the misery of your people.

13 Remember about Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, to whom you took an oath upon yourself, and said to them, I will multiply your offspring (as) the stars of the heavens, and all this land that I have spoken of, I will give to your offspring, and they will inherit (it) forever.

14 So the Lord\* relented concerning the misery that he promised to do to his people.

15 Moses turned and descended from the mountain, and the two tablets of testimony were in his hand, the tablets written on their two sides. On this side and that side they were written,

16 And the tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God that was engraved upon the tablets.

17 Now Joshua heard the sound of the people as they shouted, and said to Moses, The sound of war is in the camp.

18 But he said, It is not the sound of shouting in warlike strength, and it is not the sound of answering in weakness. It is the sound of singing I hear.

19 It was when he approached the camp, and saw the calf and the dancing, that the anger of Moses was kindled. He threw the tablets from his hand, and shattered them at the base of the mountain.

20 He took the calf that they made, burned (it) with fire, ground (it) until that it was fine powder, scattered (it) upon the surface of the water, and made the Israelites drink (it).

21 Then Moses said to Aaron, What have this people done to you, that you have brought a great sin upon them?

22 Aaron said, Do not let the anger of my lord burn. You know yourself the people, that they are set on evil,

23 And they said to me, Make for us gods that will go before us. (As) for this Moses, the man who brought us up from the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.

24 So I said to them, Who has gold? Remove (it) from yourself. Then they gave (it) to me, I threw it in the fire, and this calf came out.

25 Moses saw the people, that they were unrestrained, that Aaron had let them go to derision among those rising up against them.

26 So Moses stood in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is for the Lord\*? (Come) to me. Then all the Levites gathered to him.

27 Then he said to them, Thus says the Lord\* God of Israel, Each man set his sword upon his side. Pass over and return from gate to gate in the camp, and each man kill his brother, his fellow citizen, and his neighbor.

28 The Levites did according to the word of Moses, and there fell that day from the people the like of three thousand men.

29 Then Moses said, You have been installed for the Lord\* today, to give you

a blessing today, for each man has come against his son and brother.

30 It was the next day, and Moses said to the people, You yourselves have sinned a great sin, and now, let me go up to the Lord\*. Perhaps I can make atonement on behalf of your sins.

31 So Moses returned to the Lord\*, and said, Ah now, this people have sinned a great sin, as they have made for themselves a god of gold,

32 And now, oh, that you would carry away their sin, but if not, please wipe me out from your book that you have written.

33 But the Lord\* said to Moses, Who it is that sins against me, I will wipe him out from my book.

34 So now, go! Lead the people to where I spoke of to you. Behold, my angel will go before you, and on the day of my visitation, I will visit punishment of their sin upon them.

35 So the Lord\* struck the people because that they made the calf, which Aaron made.

## Chapter 33

The Lord\* spoke to Moses, Go! Ascend from this (place), you and the people that you brought up from the land of Egypt, to the land that I took an oath to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, I will give it to your offspring.

2 I will send an angel before you, and drive out the Canaanite, the Amorite, the Hittite, the Perezite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite,

3 To a land that is flowing milk and honey, for I will not go up in your midst (because you are a people of a stiff neck), lest I destroy you along the way.

4 Now the people heard this evil report and mourned, and no one put his ornaments upon himself.

5 For the Lord\* had said to Moses, Say to the Israelites, You are a people stiff of neck. (In) one moment I would come up into your midst, and make an end of you. So now, take down your ornaments from upon you, and I will know what I will do to you.

6 Then the Israelites stripped themselves of their ornaments at Mount Horeb.

7 Now Moses would take his tent, and spread it out on the outside of the camp, at a distance from the camp. He called it the tent of meeting, and it happened, that everyone who sought the Lord\* would go to the tent of meeting, which was on the outside of the camp.

8 So it was when Moses went to the tent, all the people would rise up, each one would stand (at) the entrance of his tent, and they would gaze after Moses, until he entered the tent.

9 It was when Moses went to the tent, a pillar of cloud mass would descend, it would stand (at) the entrance of the tent, and he would speak with Moses.

10 All the people would see the pillar of cloud mass that stood (at) the entrance of the tent, rise up, and each one would bow down in worship (at) the entrance of his tent.

11 So the Lord\* would speak to Moses face-to-face according to how someone would speak to his companion, then he would return to the camp. His minister was Joshua, son of Nun, a young man. He would not depart from the midst of the tent.

12 Moses said to the Lord\*, See, you have said to me, Bring up this people, but you did not let me know who you would send with me, and you yourself have said, I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.

13 So now, if I have found favor in your sight, make known to me please, your way, that I might know you, in order that I may find favor in your sight, and observe that your people will become this nation.

14 He said, My presence will go forth, and I will give rest to you.

15 Then he said to him, If your presence will not be going, do not bring us up from this (place).

16 By what means might it be known, then, that I have found favor in your sight, your people and I? Would it not be in your going with us, that we would be distinct, your people and I, out of all the people who are on the surface of the ground?

17 So the Lord\* said to Moses, Also this word that you have spoken, I will do, for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name.

18 Then he said, Show me your glory,

19 And he said, I will cause all my goodness to pass by in front of you, and proclaim in the name of the Lord\* before you, that I will show favor with

whom I will show favor, and I will have compassion with whom I will have compassion.

20 Then he said, You would not be able to see my face, for no person could see me and live.

21 Then the Lord\* said, Behold, here is a place with me, and you will stand upon this cliff,

22 And it will be when my glory passes by, and I put you in a crevice of the cliff, that I will cover my palm over you during my passing by.

23 Then I will remove my palm, you will see my hinder parts, and my face will not be visible.

## Chapter 34

The Lord\* said to Moses, Hew out for yourself two stone tablets according to the first ones, and I will write the words upon the tablets, which were upon the first tablets that you shattered,

2 And be ready for the morning, that you will go up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and stand for me there, upon the peak of the mountain.

3 No one must go up with you, also do not let anyone appear on all of the mountain. Do not even let the flock and the herd graze at the front of that mountain.

4 So he hewed out two stone tablets according to the first ones, and Moses rose up early in the morning, went up to Mount Sinai according to what the Lord\* commanded him, and took the two stone tablets in his hand.

5 Then the Lord\* descended in a cloud mass, took his stand with him there, and proclaimed in the name of the Lord\*,

6 And the Lord\* passed by in front of him, and proclaimed, I am the Lord\*, the Lord\* God of compassion and favor, slow to anger, and great in steadfast love and truth,

7 Who keeps steadfast love for thousands (of generations), who lifts the guilt of iniquity, transgression, and sin, but he will surely not acquit (it), who visits the iniquity of the fathers upon the children of the children of the children, upon the third, and the fourth generations.

8 Then Moses bowed down quickly to the earth and worshipped.

9 If I have found grace in your sight, my Lord, let my Lord go in our midst, for it is a people stiff of neck. Would you grant a pardon for our iniquities and our sins, and you would you take us for your possession?

10 Then he said, Behold, I will cut a covenant in front of all your people. I will do wonderful acts that have not been fashioned in all the land and all the nations. Then all the people will see, whom you are in the midst of, the work of the Lord\*, for it is awesome what I will do with you.

11 Keep for yourself what I am commanding you today. Here am I, thrusting out from your presence, the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Hittite, the Perezite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

12 Take heed for yourself lest you cut a covenant on behalf of the inhabitants of the land when you come to it, lest it become a snare in your midst.

13 For you will break down their altars, shatter their sacred pillars, and cut down its Asherahs.

14 For you will not bow down in worship to a foreign god, because the Lord\* is jealous of his name. He is a jealous God,

15 Lest you cut a covenant on behalf of the inhabitants of the land, and they would commit harlotry after their gods, and sacrifice to their gods. Then someone would call for you, and you would eat some of his sacrifice,

16 And you would take from its daughters for your sons, and its daughters commit fornication after their gods, and cause your sons to commit fornication after their gods.

17 You will not make for yourself molten gods.

18 You will keep the pilgrim feast of unleavened bread. Seven days you will eat unleavened bread that I commanded you for an appointed time of the month of Abib, for in the month of Abib you went out from Egypt.

19 Every firstborn of the womb will be mine, and every firstborn male of all your livestock, the bull and the sheep.

20 You will also ransom the firstborn of a donkey with a sheep, but if you will not ransom (it), then you must break the neck of it. Every firstborn of your sons you will ransom. No one will appear before me with empty hands.

21 Six days you will work, and on the seventh day you will cease from labor.

You will cease from labor during plowing and harvesting.

22 You will perform a pilgrim feast of Shavuot [weeks] for yourself, the first fruits of the wheat harvest, and a pilgrim feast of ingathering at the completion of the year.

23 Three times in a year every one of your males will appear in the presence of the Lord, the Lord\* God of Israel.

24 For I will cause (you) to possess nations before you, I will enlarge your territory, and no one may desire your land when you go up to appear in front of the Lord\* your God three times in a year.

25 You will not slaughter the blood of the sacrifice together with that which is leavened, and the sacrifice for the pilgrim feast of Pesach [Passover] will not be left over for the morning.

26 You will bring the first of the first fruits of your ground to the house of the Lord\* your God. You will not boil a kid in the milk of its mother.

27 Then the Lord\* said to Moses, Write for yourself these words, because according to these words I have cut a covenant with you and with Israel.

28 So he was there with the Lord\* forty day(s) and forty night(s). He did not eat food and did not drink water. He wrote upon the tablets the statements of the covenant, the ten statements.

29 Now it happened in Moses descent from Mount Sinai, that the two tablets of the testimony were in the hand of Moses when he descended from the mountain, and Moses did not know that the skin of his face sent out rays when he spoke with him.

30 Now Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face sent out rays, and they were afraid of drawing near to him.

31 Then Moses called out to them, Aaron and all the elders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke to them.

32 After that, all the Israelites drew near, and he commanded them with all that the Lord\* spoke with him on Mount Sinai.

33 Then Moses finished speaking with them, and he put a veil over his face.

34 So when Moses entered in before the Lord\* to speak with him, he would remove the veil until he went out, then he would go out and speak to the Israelites what he had been commanded.

35 Then the Israelites would see the face of Moses, as the skin of the face of

Moses sent out rays, and Moses would put the veil over his face until he entered in to speak with him.

## Chapter 35

So Moses assembled all the congregation of the Israelites, and said to them, These are the statements that the Lord\* has commanded you to do.

2 Six days you will work an occupation, and on the seventh day it will be a holy day to you, a Sabbath (day), a sabbatism of the Lord\*. Anyone who does an occupation on it will be put to death.

3 You will not kindle a fire in any of your dwellings on the Sabbath day.

4 Moses spoke to all the congregation of the Israelites, saying, This is the word that the Lord\* commanded, saying:

5 Take from within you a contribution to the Lord\*. Anyone whose heart is willing should bring it, a contribution to the Lord\*: gold, silver, and bronze,

6 And violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, fine linen, and goats' hair,

7 And rams' skins dyed red, tahash skins, and acacia wood,

8 And oil for the light, and spices for the anointing oil, and for the incense of spices,

9 And onyx stones, and setting stones, for the ephod, and for the sacred pouch.

10 All wise of mind with you will come, and make all that the Lord\* has commanded:

11 The dwelling place, its tent, its covering, its hooks, its boards, its bars, its pillars, and its sockets,

12 The chest and its poles, the propitiatory, and the curtain of the screen,

13 The table and its poles, all its articles, and the bread of the presence,

14 And the menorah of the light, its articles, its lamps, and oil for the light,

15 And the altar of incense, its poles, the anointing oil, and the incense of spices,

16 The altar of whole burnt offering, bronze grating that it has, its poles, all its articles, the basin and its base,

17 The hangings of the court, its pillars and its sockets, and the screen of the gate of the court,

18 The pegs of the dwelling place, the pegs of the court, and their cords,

19 And the garments of the braided work, to minister in the holy place, the holy garments for Aaron the priest, and the garments of his sons to minister as priests.

20 Then all the congregation of the Israelites went out from the presence of Moses,

21 And everyone came in whose heart was lifted up, and anyone whose heart incited him. They brought a contribution (to) the Lord\* for the work of the tent of meeting, for all its service, and for the holy garments.

22 The men came in together with the women. Everyone of a willing heart brought a hook and an earring, a ring, and a golden ornament, every article of gold. Everyone (came) who offered an offering of gold to the Lord\*.

23 Everyone who was found with it brought violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, fine linen, goats' hair, rams' skins dyed red, and tahash skins.

24 Everyone who raised a contribution of silver and bronze, brought in a contribution to the Lord\*, and everyone found with it brought in acacia wood for every occupation of the service.

25 Any wife skillful of mind spun with her hands, and they brought in yarn, the violet thread, the wool dyed reddish violet, the scarlet fabric, and the fine linen.

26 Every woman whose mind was lifted up with skill spun the goats' hair.

27 Their leaders also brought in onyx stones, and setting stones for the ephod, and for the sacred pouch,

28 And the sweet odor, the oil for the light, for the anointing oil, and for the incense of spices.

29 Every man and woman whose heart incited them to bring for every occupation that the Lord\* commanded to do by the hand of Moses, the Israelites who were willing brought in to the Lord\*.

30 So Moses said to the Israelites, See, the Lord\* has called by name Bezalel, son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah.

31 The Spirit of God has filled him with skill, understanding, knowledge, and

every occupation,

32 And the invention of the clever workman to work in gold, silver, and bronze,

33 And in engraving of a setting stone, and in carving of wood, to work in every occupation of invention.

34 He has put it in his mind to instruct, also Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

35 He has filled them (with) skill of mind to do every occupation of craftsmen and inventive workmen, the weaver in colors, in the violet thread, the wool dyed reddish violet, the scarlet fabric, and the fine linen, a weaver who does every occupation, and clever workmen of invention.

## Chapter 36

Bezalel, Aholiab, and everyone skillful of mind, into whom the Lord\* has put skill and understanding to know to do every occupation of service of the holy place, will do according to all that the Lord\* has commanded.

2 So Moses called to Bezalel, Aholiab, and everyone skilled of mind, whom the Lord\* put wisdom in his mind, all whose heart was lifted up to draw near to the work to do it,

3 And they took from before Moses all the contribution that the Israelites brought for the work of the service of the holy place, to make it, and brought to him a voluntary offering continually, morning by morning.

4 Then all the people of wisdom doing all the work of the holy place came in, person (by) person, from his occupation that they were doing.

5 They spoke to Moses, saying, The people have made more to bring in, than is enough for the service of the work that the Lord\* commanded to do.

6 So Moses gave a command, and they caused a proclamation to pass through the camp, saying, No man or woman should continue doing the occupation of contribution (for) the holy place. So the people were restrained from bringing in (more),

7 For the occupation had become sufficient for all the work, to do it, and some left over.

8 So all who were skillful of mind among those doing the work of the dwelling place made ten curtains of twisted fine linen, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, the cherubim, the work of the clever worker doing them.

9 The length of the one curtain was twenty-eight by the cubit, and width four by the cubit, one measure for all the curtains.

10 One (of them) joined five curtains one-to-one, and (the other) five curtains one-to-one.

11 He made loops of violet thread upon the edge of the one curtain (set) at the end along the joining. Thus he made (them) along the edge of the curtain at the end along the joining of the second one.

12 He made fifty loops on the one curtain (set), and fifty loops on the end of the curtain (set) that was along the joining of the second one. The corresponding loops were each one to its opposite.

13 He made fifty hooks of gold, and joined the curtains together one-to-one by the hooks. So the dwelling place was one.

14 He made the curtains of goats' hair for the tent over the dwelling place. Eleven curtains, he made them.

15 The length of the one curtain was thirty by the cubit, and the width of the one curtain was four cubits, one measure for the eleven curtains.

16 He joined five of the curtains by themselves, and six of the curtains by themselves,

17 And he made fifty loops upon the edge of the outermost curtain (set), where joined together, and made fifty loops upon the edge of the second curtain (set) joined together.

18 He made the fifty hooks of bronze, to connect the tent together to become one.

19 He made a covering for the tent of ram skins dyed red, and a covering of tahash skins above.

20 He made the boards for the dwelling place. They were of acacia wood, upright.

21 Ten cubits was the length of the board, and a cubit and a half the width of the one board,

22 Two tenons to the one board, joined one-to-one. Thus he did for all

boards of the dwelling place.

23 Thus he made the boards for the dwelling place, twenty boards for the south quarter toward the south,

24 And he made forty sockets of silver beneath the twenty boards, two sockets beneath the one board for its two tenons, and two sockets beneath the one board for its two tenons.

25 To the side of the dwelling place, the second one toward the north quarter, there were twenty boards.

26 Their forty sockets were of silver, two sockets beneath the one board, and two sockets beneath the one board.

27 For the extreme parts of the dwelling place westward, he made six boards,

28 And he made two boards for the (inner) corner buttresses in the extreme parts of the dwelling place.

29 They were double beneath, and they were together, perfectly (fitted), upon the top of it, with the one ring. Thus he did for both of them, for the two (inner) corner buttresses.

30 There were eight boards and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets. There were two sockets, two sockets beneath the one board.

31 He made bars of acacia wood, five, for the boards of the one side of the dwelling place,

32 And five bars for the boards of the second side of the dwelling place, and five bars for the boards of the dwelling place to the extreme parts westward.

33 He made the middle bar to pass through in the middle of the boards from the end to the end.

34 He overlaid the boards (with) gold, made their rings (of) gold, housing for the bars, and overlaid the bars (with) gold.

35 He made the curtain of violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen. He made it, the cherubim, the work of a skilled workman.

36 He made four pillars of acacia for it. He overlaid them (with) gold, and their nails of gold. He overlaid four sockets of silver for them.

37 He made a screen at the entrance of the tent of violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen, the work of a weaver in

colors,

38 And its five pillars and their nails. He made their capitals and their clasping rings of gold, and five sockets of bronze.

## Chapter 37

Bezalel made the chest of acacia wood, two cubits and half its length, a cubit and a half its width, and a cubit and a half its height,

2 And he overlaid it (with) pure gold within and without, and made a circlet of gold for it all around,

3 And he cast for it four rings of gold upon its four feet, and two rings upon its one side, and two rings upon its second side.

4 He made poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold,

5 And he put the poles into the rings at the sides of the chest to carry the chest.

6 He made a propitiatory of pure gold, two cubits and a half its length, and a cubit and a half its width.

7 He made two cherubim of gold. He made them of hammered work above the two ends of the propitiatory.

8 One cherub from the end on this side, and one cherub from the end on that side, he made the cherubim out of the propitiatory from its two ends.

9 The cherubim spread out wings upward, screening with their wings above the propitiatory, and their faces each one to his companion. The faces of the cherubim were toward the propitiatory.

10 He made the table of acacia wood, two cubits its length, a cubit its width, and a cubit and half its height,

11 And he overlaid it (with) pure gold, and made a circlet of gold for it all around.

12 He made an enclosure of a span for it all around, and made a circlet of gold for its enclosure all around,

13 And he cast four rings of gold for it, and put the rings upon the four corners that belong to its four legs.

14 Side by side with the enclosure, there were the rings of the holders for

the poles to carry the table.

15 He made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold, to carry the table,

16 And he made the articles that were upon the table, its dishes, its pans, its sacrificial bowls, and the jars, that would be poured out by them. They were of pure gold.

17 He made the menorah of pure gold. He made hammered work, the menorah, its base, its shaft, its cups, its bulbs, and its buds. They came out of it,

18 And six branches going out from its sides, three branches of the menorah out of one side, and three branches of the menorah out of the second side.

19 Three cups of almond (shape) on the one branch, a bulb and a bud, and three cups of almond (shape) on one branch, a bulb and a bud, thus it was for the six branches going out from the menorah,

20 And on the menorah were four cups of almond (shape), its bulb and its bud,

21 And there was a bulb beneath two of the branches out of it, and a bulb beneath two of the branches out of it, and a bulb beneath two of the branches out of it, for the six branches going out from the menorah.

22 Their bulbs and their branches came out of it, all of it a single hammered work (of) pure gold,

23 And he made its seven lamps. Its lamp-snuffers and its snuff-holders were (of) pure gold.

24 (Of) a talent of pure gold, he made it, and all its articles.

25 He made the altar of incense of acacia wood, a cubit its length, and a cubit its width, square, and two cubits its height. Its hornlike projections were (coming) out of it.

26 He overlaid it (with) pure gold, its top and its surrounding walls, and its hornlike projections, and made a circlet of gold all around for it.

27 He made two rings of gold for it underneath of its circlet upon two of its sides. Two of its sides were for the housing of the poles with which to carry it.

28 He made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them with gold.

29 He made the oil of the sacred ointment, and the incense of spices, pure,

the work of the perfumer.

## Chapter 38

He made the altar of whole burnt offering (of) acacia wood, five cubits its length, five cubits its width, square, and three cubits its height.

2 He made its hornlike projections upon its four corners. Its hornlike projections came out of it, and he overlaid it (with) bronze.

3 He made all the implements of the altar: the pots, the shovels, the bowls, the sacrificial implements, and the firepans. He made all its articles of bronze.

4 He made a grating for the altar, the work a network of bronze underneath, beneath its rim as far as its middle.

5 He cast four rings upon the four ends of the bronze grating, a housing for the poles,

6 And he made the poles of acacia wood, and overlaid them (with) bronze,

7 And he inserted the poles into the rings upon the sides of the altar to carry it with them. He made it hollowed (with) planks.

8 He made the basin of bronze, and its base of bronze, with the mirrors of the women servants who served at the entrance of the tent of meeting.

9 He made the court on the south side southward. The hangings of the court were of twisted fine linen, one hundred by the cubit.

10 Their pillars were twenty, and their sockets twenty, of bronze, and the nails of the pillars and their clasping rings were of silver.

11 For the north side it was a hundred by the cubit, their pillars twenty and their sockets twenty, of bronze, and the nails of the pillars and their clasping rings were of silver.

12 For the west side, the hangings were fifty by the cubit, their pillars ten and their sockets ten, and the nails of the pillars and their clasping rings were of silver.

13 For the east side eastward it was fifty cubit(s).

14 The hangings were fifteen cubit(s) upon the one side, their pillars three and their sockets three.

15 For the second side, (on) this side and that side of the gate of the court, the hangings were fifteen cubit(s), their pillars three and their sockets three.

16 All the hangings of the court all around were (of) twisted fine linen.

17 The sockets of the pillars were (of) bronze, the nails of the pillars and their clasping rings (of) silver, and the metal plating (on) their tops (of) silver. All the pillars of the court were furnished with clasping rings (of) silver.

18 The screen of the gate of the court, the work of the weaver in colors, was (in) violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen. It was twenty cubit(s) (in) length, and the height along the breadth was five cubits, corresponding to the hangings of the court.

19 Their four pillars and their four sockets were (of) bronze. Their nails were (of) silver, and the metal plating on their tops and their clasping rings were (of) silver.

20 All of the pegs of the dwelling place and of the surrounding court were (of) bronze.

21 These were the expenses of the dwelling place of the testimony that were passed in review, according to the command of Moses, the service of the Levites by the hand of Ithamar, son of Aaron the priest.

22 Bezalel, son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, made all that the Lord\* commanded Moses,

23 And with him Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver, an inventive man, and a weaver in colors, in violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and fine linen.

24 All the gold used for the business in all the sacred work, and the gold of the offering, came to twenty-nine talents, and seven hundred thirty shekels, by the shekel of the sanctuary.

25 The silver of the expenses of the congregation was a hundred talents and a thousand seven hundred seventy-five shekels, by the shekel of the sanctuary.

26 A half shekel for a head, half of a shekel by the shekel of the sanctuary, for all who passed in order for the expenses, from twenty years old and upward, came to six hundred thousand and three thousand five hundred fifty.

27 It was the hundred talents of the silver to cast the sockets of the holy

place, and the sockets of the curtain, a hundred sockets of a hundred talents, a talent for a socket.

28 Of one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five (shekels), he made nails for the pillars, overlaid their tops, and furnished them with clasping rings.

29 The bronze of the offering was seventy talents and two thousand four hundred shekels.

30 He made the sockets of the entrance of the tent of meeting with it, the bronze altar, the bronze grating that it had, and all the articles of the altar,

31 And the sockets of the surrounding court, the sockets of the gate of the court, all the pegs of the dwelling place, and all the pegs of the surrounding court.

## Chapter 39

Out of the violet thread, the wool dyed reddish violet, and the scarlet fabric, they made the garments of braided work for the ministry in the holy place, and made the holy garments that were for Aaron, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

2 He made the ephod of gold, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen.

3 They beat out the metal plates of the gold, and he cut off their threads, to work in among the violet thread, and in the midst of the wool dyed reddish violet, the scarlet fabric, and the fine linen, the work of an inventive man.

4 They made the shoulder pieces for it, the pieces to be joined. It was joined together by its two edges.

5 The precisely woven band of his ephod that was upon it, it was according to his workmanship of it, (of) gold, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

6 They made onyx stones surrounded by plaited settings of gold, who engraved the engravings of a seal together with the names of the sons of Israel,

7 And he set them upon the shoulders of the ephod, the stones of

remembrance of the sons of Israel, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

8 He made the sacred pouch, the work of an inventive man, as the work of the ephod, gold, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, scarlet fabric, and twisted fine linen.

9 It was square. They made the sacred pouch folded double, and a span its length, and a span its width, folded double,

10 And they set in it four rows of stone, a row of a ruby, a topaz, and an emerald (for) the one row,

11 And the second row was a turquoise, a sapphire, and an onyx,

12 And the third row was a jacinth, an agate, and an amethyst,

13 And the fourth row was a yellow jasper, a carnelian, and a jasper. They were surrounded by plaited work of gold in their settings.

14 The stones were according to the names of the sons of Israel. Those were twelve according to their names, engraved with a seal, each one according to his name, for the twelve tribes.

15 They made twisted chains of cordage work (in) pure gold upon the sacred pouch.

16 They made two plaited settings of gold, and two gold rings, and they put the two rings upon the ends of the sacred pouch,

17 And they put the two cords of gold on the two rings upon the ends of the sacred pouch.

18 They put the two ends of the two cords upon the two plaited settings, and put them upon the shoulders of the ephod in front of it,

19 And they made two rings of gold, and put (them) upon the two ends of the sacred pouch on its edge, that was on the inner side of the ephod.

20 They made two rings of gold, and put them on the two shoulders of the ephod beneath, in front of (and) side by side (with) its place of joining above with respect to the precisely woven band of the ephod.

21 They bound the sacred pouch by its rings to the rings of the ephod with violet thread, to be upon the precisely woven band of the ephod, that the sacred pouch cannot be removed from upon the ephod, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

22 He made the robe of the ephod, the work of the weaver, entirely of violet

thread.

23 There was an opening in the robe in the middle of it, the like of the opening of a corselet, that the edge to its surrounding opening cannot be torn.

24 They made upon the skirts of the robe pomegranates of violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, and scarlet fabric, twisted.

25 They made bells of pure gold, and put the bells in among the pomegranates upon the skirts of the robe all around, in among the pomegranates,

26 A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, upon the skirts of the robe all around, to minister according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

27 They made tunics of fine linen, the work of a weaver, for Aaron and his sons,

28 And the turban of fine linen, the head dresses of the head gear of fine linen, and the white linen drawers of twisted fine linen,

29 And the girdle of twisted fine linen, violet thread, wool dyed reddish violet, and scarlet fabric, the work of a weaver in colors, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

30 They made a shining plate, a sacred crown of pure gold, and wrote upon it the inscription, the engravings of a signet, Holiness To The Lord\*,

31 And they put upon it a violet thread, to put on the turban from above, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

32 All the service of the dwelling place, the tent of meeting, was completed, and the Israelites did according to all that the Lord\* commanded Moses.

Thus they did.

33 Then they brought in the dwelling place to Moses, the tent, all its articles: its hooks, its boards, its bars, its pillars, and its sockets,

34 And the covering of ram skins dyed red, the covering of tahash skins, and the curtain of the screen,

35 The chest of the testimony and its poles, and the propitiatory,

36 The table, all its articles, and the bread of the presence,

37 The pure (gold) menorah, its lamps, the row of lamps, and all its articles, and the oil of the light,

38 And the gold altar, the anointing oil, the incense of spices, and the screen of the entrance of the tent,  
39 The bronze altar, the bronze grating that it had, the poles, all its articles, the basin and its base,  
40 The hangings of the court, its pillars, its sockets, the screen for the gate of the court, its cords, its pegs, and all the articles of the service of the dwelling place for the tent of meeting,  
41 The garments of braided work to minister in the holy place, the holy garments belonging to Aaron the priest, and garments of his sons to be priest(s).  
42 According to all that the Lord\* commanded Moses, thus the Israelites did all the service.  
43 Moses saw all the work, and behold, they did it. According to what the Lord\* commanded, thus they did, and Moses blessed them.

## Chapter 40

The Lord\* spoke to Moses, saying:

2 On the date of the first month, on the first (day) of the month, you will erect the dwelling place, the tent of meeting.

3 You will place the chest of the testimony there, and a screen over the chest with the curtain.

4 You will bring in the table, set its rows in order, bring in the menorah, and light its lamps.

5 You will put the gold altar of incense in front of the chest of the testimony, and place the screen of the entrance to the dwelling place.

6 You will put the altar of the whole burnt offering in front of the entrance of the dwelling place of the tent of meeting.

7 You will put the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in there.

8 You will set up the surrounding court, and put up the screen of the gate of the court.

9 You will take the anointing oil, anoint the dwelling place and all that is in it,

and consecrate it and all its articles, and it will be holy.

10 You will anoint the altar of the whole burnt offering, and all its articles. You will consecrate the altar, and it will be the altar of the holy of holies.

11 You will anoint the basin and its base, and consecrate it.

12 You will approach Aaron and his sons at the entrance of the tent of meeting, and wash them with water.

13 You will clothe Aaron with the sacred garments, anoint him, and sanctify him, and he will be a priest to me.

14 You will bring his sons near, and clothe them with tunics.

15 You will anoint them according to how you anointed their father, that they may be priests to me, and their anointing will be theirs to be priests forever for all their generations.

16 So Moses did (it). According to all that the Lord\* commanded him, thus he did,

17 Now it was in the first month, in the second year, on the first (day) of the month, the dwelling place was erected.

18 Moses raised the dwelling place. He put in its sockets, placed its boards, put up its bars, and raised its pillars.

19 He spread out the tent upon the dwelling place, and placed the covering of the tent upon it from above, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

20 He took up and put the testimony into the chest. He set the poles on the side of the chest, and put the propitiatory upon the chest from above.

21 He brought the chest into the dwelling place, placed the curtain of the screen, and placed the screen for the chest of the testimony, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

22 He put the table into the tent of meeting at the north side of the dwelling place on the outside of the curtain.

23 He arranged upon it a row of the bread of the presence of the Lord\*, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

24 He placed the menorah into the tent of the meeting, in front of the table, upon the south side of the dwelling place.

25 He lit the lamps before the Lord\*, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

26 He placed the gold altar into the tent of meeting before the curtain.

27 He made the incense of spices smoke upon it, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

28 He placed the screen of the entrance to the dwelling place.

29 He placed the altar of whole burnt offering (at) the entrance of the dwelling place of the tent of meeting, and offered on it the whole burnt offering and the grain offering, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

30 He put the basin between the tent of meeting and the altar, and put water in there for washing,

31 And Moses, Aaron, and his sons washed their hands and feet from it.

32 When they entered into the tent of meeting, and when they drew near to the altar, they would wash, according to what the Lord\* commanded Moses.

33 He erected the surrounding court of the dwelling place and of the altar, and put up the screen of the gate of the court. So Moses completed the work.

34 Then the cloud mass covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord\* filled the dwelling place.

35 Now Moses was not able to enter into the tent of meeting, because the cloud mass had settled down upon it, and the glory of the Lord\* filled the dwelling place.

36 When the cloud mass lifted above the dwelling place, the Israelites set out in all their journeying.

37 But if the cloud mass did not lift, they would not set out, until the day it lifted.

38 For the cloud mass of the Lord\* was upon the dwelling place by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel in all their journeyings.