

**Parashah 32 B'har - בְּהָרַ**  
**“On Mount”**



**Torah: Vayikra (Leviticus) 25:1 – 26:2**

- Aliyah 1 - 25:1 - 13 Shabbat Years; Jubilee year (Yovel), return of land to original owners
- Aliyah 2 - 25:14 - 18 Land is to be valued by the number of crops until Yovel
- Aliyah 3 - 25:19 - 24 Blessing of 6th year provides for 7th; land belongs to God; right of redemption
- Aliyah 4 - 25:25 - 28 Right of Redemption defined; next-of-kin rights
- Aliyah 5 - 25:29 - 38 Laws for property within walled cities; Levitical property rights
- Aliyah 6 - 25:39 - 46 Indentured servitude, treatment of “slaves” as brothers, and foreigners
- Aliyah 7 - 25:47 - 26 Slavery to foreigners sojourning among Israel; no idols, statues, standing stones

**Haftarah: Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 32:6-27**

**B'rit Hadashah: Luke 4:16-21; 1 Corinthians 7:21-24; Galatians 6:7-10**

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1. (25:1-7) Where does the Shabbat year apply?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. How do you “not harvest” and use “what the land produces” during the year of Shabbat? Is this connected with Yeshua’s interpretation portrayed in Luke 6:1?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. How would observing the Shabbat year affect your view and activities during the other six years?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What symbolism is represented in the Shabbat year?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. (25:8) What future event is portrayed in the yovel? Why is it connected with Yom Kippur?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What complications does this create that are discussed in this portion?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. (25:23) To whom does the land of Israel belong? How does this affect its residents?

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8. (25:24-25) What is a kinsman-redeemer? Was this a new idea? What if someone did not have a kinsman-redeemer?

9. (25:43) How were God's people to be different than others when "ruling" over those who were submitted to them because of poverty?

**Questions for reflection and application:**

1. (25:1) Yeshua fulfills all of Torah. Is he the authority of your life? (1Sa 2:35-36, Mat 7:28-29, Mat 25:14-23, Heb 3:3-6)

2. (25:14) Who is your neighbor? (Luk 10:25-37)

3. (25:29) Laws and lines on a map have replaced “walls” around cities today. Has your “house” been annexed by the world, or by the Kingdom of God? (Mat 16:18, 2Co 10:4, Eph 6:10-18, Isa 12:6)

4. (25:31) Yeshua is our kinsman redeemer - has he redeemed you and set you free? (Lev 25:23, Psa 49:7-8, Joel 2:18-20)

5. (25:39) Has God shown you mercy and compassion? Do you show mercy and compassion to others? How? (Lev 25:25, 35, 39, 47; Rom 12:9-13, Isa 58:6-7, 1Ti 5:8)