Parashah 50 Ki Tavo - כּי תָבוּ אֵת "When you come"

Torah: D’varim (Deuteronomy) 26:1-29:8(9)
Aliyah 1 - 26:1-11 First Fruits in The Land, remembering from where you came
Aliyah 2 - 26:12 - 15 Tithe of the 3rd year; confirmation, remember God’s promise of blessing
Aliyah 3 - 26:16 - 19 Command to observe and obey, God’s promise to elevate His covenant people
Aliyah 4 - 27:1 - 10 Enscribe Torah on stones on Mt. ‘Eival; peace offering, command to obey
Aliyah 5 - 27:11 - 28:6 Tribes divided for Mt’ G’rizim and ‘Eival; L’vi’im shout curses; God’s blessings
Aliyah 6 - 28:7 - 69 More blessings and curses; consequences for disobedience
Aliyah 7 - 29:1 - 8 Moshe reminds people of God’s care in the wilderness and reasons for obeying

Haftarah: Yesha’yahu (Isaiah) 60:1-22

1. (26:2) What are “first fruits?” From which crops did the first fruits come? Are they different from tithes?

2. What is the significance of the two mountains that were chosen? How were the tribes divided?

3. Why were the specific twelve curses chosen to be declared? What is the common thread that runs through these curses?

4. (28:8) What do the blessings say about who God is?

5. If there are blessings and curses, does observing the Torah save us? What does the apostle Sha’ul say about the final curse in Galatians 3:10 and Romans 3:31? When do these curses apply, now or in the world to come?

6. Can you think of how the blessings and curses have come to pass in the history of Israel in scripture?
7. (28:64) Since many of the curses upon Israel have come to pass, does this mean God has forsaken his covenant with Israel? Since the curses have come to pass, is this proof that God has rejected his chosen people?

8. If Israel is in exile, in what way is the Gospel of the Messiah in exile also?

Questions for reflection and application:

1. (26:1) Where are you in the process of “dwelling” in God’s promises (you already posses them!)? (Luk 11:24-26, Rom 7:24-25, 1Jo 1:5-10, Hos 14:1-10)


7. (29:1) What have you seen God do in your life? (Deu 4:9, 1Jo 1:1-3, Act 4:20, 2Pe 1:16)