

Parashah 33 B'chukotai - בְּחֻקֹּתַי
"By my regulations"



Torah: Vayikra (Leviticus) 26:3 – 27:34

Aliyah 1 - 26:3 - 5	The promise of fruitfulness as the blessing for obedience to God's laws
Aliyah 2 - 26:4 - 9	Shalom in the land, military success against enemies
Aliyah 3 - 26:10 - 46	The land paid its shabbats; people as a driven leaf; yet God will remember
Aliyah 4 - 27:1 - 15	Redemption value for pledges of people and property
Aliyah 5 - 27:16 - 21	Possession, valuation and redemption of land, with respect to Yovel
Aliyah 6 - 27:22 - 28	Consecrated land, Yovel; firstborn belong to Adonai; consecration of property
Aliyah 7 - 27:29 - 34	Tithe of the land, tithe of the herd/flock good or bad

Haftarah: Yirmeyahu (Jeremiah) 16:19 – 17:14

B'rit Hadashah: Yochanan (John) 14:15-21; 15:1-12; 1 Yochanan (1 John)

1. (26:3) What is the difference between living by God's regulations, observing God's mitzvot, and obeying them?
2. (26:4-13) Are the blessings listed here spiritual or physical? Do they apply to individuals or the nation as a whole?
3. (26:8) Do the numbers in verse 8 make sense? What does this mean to you?
4. (26:11-12) What is God's tabernacle? When has, or when will it be among His people?
5. (26:14-18) What is a "curse?" What are the purposes of the curses? How are they blessings in disguise?
6. (26:44-46) What is God's ultimate position regarding his covenant with his people?

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7. (27:30-34) How were animals “tithed?” Who ate the tithed animals? Where?

Questions for reflection and application:

1. (26:6) Who makes peace? Do you know peace with God? Do you share peace with others? How? (Isa 9:5, Isa 45:7, Mat 5:9, Eph 2:15-16, Heb 12:14, Rom 12:8, 2Co 5:18,20)
2. (27:16) Yeshua paid the price for our redemption: more than we could ever afford, but free for the asking. Have you asked Him? (Exo 30:13,15, Lev 5:7, 1Ti 1:15, Rom 10:12-13, 1Co 15:9-10, Eph 3:7-8)
3. (27:25) Do you struggle with your value in the Kingdom of God? (Pro 16:11, Job 38:41, Rom 8:3-4, Luk 12:6-7, Mat 10:29, 2Pe 3:9, Joh 3:16, Tit 2:14, 2Co 5:21)
4. (27:29) God's never changes, and His plans in Yeshua are sure. Although you might not know the details, are you sure about His plans for you? (Mat 16:21:23, 1Pe 1:20, Rev 13:8, Isa 53:2-3, Act 2:23, Mat 13:34-35, Jer 29:11, Isa 42:8-9, Mat 24:36-37, Eph 1:11-12)