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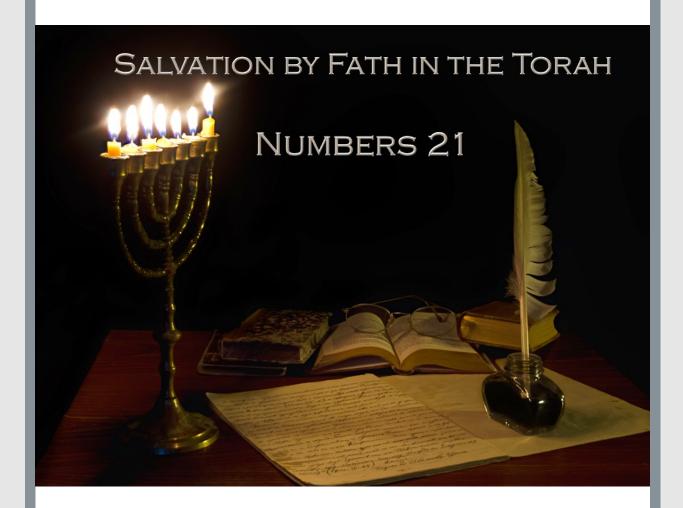


The God of My Life



David, who had everything a man could wish for, felt this deep inner need to worship God just as a deer pants; עָרַג ('ārag) is the Hebrew word for pant. It describes a longing, a craving after, a yearning for God which David satisfied when he went to the house of God and worshipped. It is here in this chapter and in verse 8 where he calls God, the God of my life, El Haiyai אַל חַיַּי

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Beth Ariel's Wednesday Night Bible Study November 27, 2024 @7:00pm

**Shalom Shalom!** 





## Do Not Use G-d's Name in Vain



The third commandment says, You shall not use the name of the Lord in vain.

Does that mean we can never swear by the Lord? In Deut. 6:13 it says that we should fear the Lord and serve Him, and we shall swear by His name.

Therefore, if we fear the Lord, that is, if we honor Him in all that we are,

if we have no names of other gods or idols on our lips or lurking in our hearts, if all honor and glory and our entire worship go to Him, then we may swear by the Lord of hosts that He alone is the source of all that is good and true.

Psalm 63:11 says that all who swear by God will glory in Him, while the mouths of liars will be silenced.



Some of you might be aware of a particular practice of the orthodox Jew. They are so careful not to use the name of the Lord in vain that they will leave out one letter of His name when writing it out, (eg. G-d for God) so that in the event that the paper would get destroyed, burned or marred in any way, then no defaming would be done against the name of the Lord. How precious is that?

Also, many will avoid writing any part of the name altogether and will use the Hebrew word "Hashem" meaning the name, to replace God's name.

Paul did point out that Israel served as an example for us (1Corinthians 10:11) whereby we must learn from their mistakes. However, there are many good things we can learn from the Jewish people because many of them do have a deep respect and love for the Word.

We think of the many rabbinical commentaries that add precious insight in our understanding particularly with the Hebrew idioms and grammar. They knew their Hebrew well.

We also want to recognize their allegiance and deep commitment in keeping the Tanakh intact, having been passed down over the centuries with stringent copying laws. For example, they needed to count every letter to make sure they never missed or added a letter in its recopying.

To make a Torah scroll "kosher" (fit and useable) it must have been written by a Jewish scholar (a sofer, or scribe) who is trained, each and every letter is counted to make sure nothin goes missing, and the letters themselves cannot be cracked or smudged. If so, the entire Torah scroll is discarded, at least in terms of it being kosher.



May we never add to or remove words, teachings or warnings from the Word. May we copy its precepts onto the tablets of our hearts, and may we prove its presence there by our obedience and allegiance to the Lord.





...they reported that the geopolitical tensions are at their highest in decades and they remind us that today, nine countries are now possessing nearly 10,000 nuclear weapons and they are getting better at using them.

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At a door close by, they met a man getting out of his car. He took the Tanakh despite not being religious. They spent some time with him and explained the difference between a rabbinic and biblical Jew. Here, he mentioned that the name for God was Elohim ....

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## To Be Announced

Saturday at 11:00am November 30th, 2024

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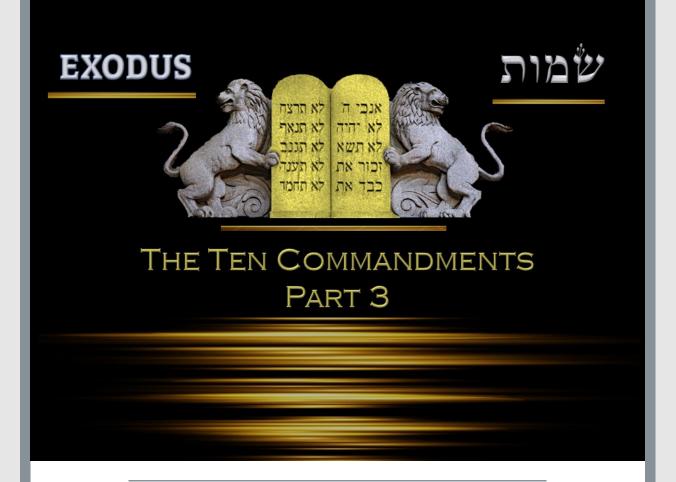
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#### Our Next Shabbat Service

Join us Saturday, November 30th, 2024 at Beth Ariel Congregation at 11:00am

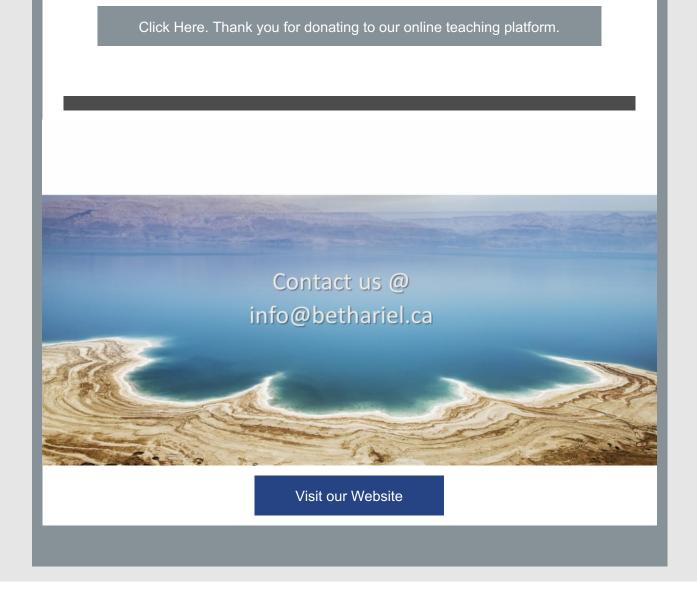
# The Ten Commandments Part 3

with Messianic Leader J. Isaac Gabizon

We air live on Facebook and YouTube. Please join us!

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Last Saturday's Message



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