**פרשה כי תבוא / Parashat Ki Tavo**

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**An Earthly and Heavenly Blessing**

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| **השבועות הזה קוראים / This Week’s Reading** |
| **תורה:****הפטרה:****הברית:****החדשה:** | Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8Isaiah 60:1-60:22Ephesians 1:3-6 Revelation 21:10-27 |

The reading for this week’s Torah portion from the Triennial Cycle (*Devarim/Deuteronomy 26:12-28:6*) comes from Parashat Ki Tavo (כי תבוא), meaning “when you enter” and is the 50th weekly portion according to the annual cycle. Moshe directed the children of Yisrael when they entered the land that HaShem gave them they were to take of the first fruit of the soil they harvest (*Devarim/Deuteronomy 26:1-4*). If they obey HaShem and observe all the Lord commands, then they will be set high above the nations of the earth.

**Devarim / Deuteronomy 28:1-6**

28:1 ‘Now it shall be, if you diligently obey the Lord your God, being careful to do all His commandments which I command you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. 28:2 ‘All these blessings will come upon you and overtake you if you obey the Lord your God: 28:3 ‘Blessed shall you be in the city, and blessed shall you be in the country. 28:4 ‘Blessed shall be the offspring of your body and the produce of your ground and the offspring of your beasts, the increase of your herd and the young of your flock. 28:5 ‘Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl. 28:6 ‘Blessed shall you be when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out. (NASB)

**12:1-6 דברים**



Summarizing these blessings it appears an observant life may be characterized by a life that is blessed of G-d.

1. Blessed shall you be in the city and blessed shall you be in the country
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4. Blessed shall be the produce of your beasts
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The Lord established the way in which the children of Yisrael are to live their lives and by being obedient a blessing will flow forth from the Almighty G-d. In this sense, the Torah provides a means for measuring all of Scripture and for living. For example, a prophet or persons coming to speak to us speaking contrary to the torah is to be rejected as a false prophet. The Torah acted as the authority upon which the disciples stood in preaching the message of the Messiah Yeshua. In the Apostolic Scriptures, we find a continuation of the revelation of G-d’s Torah and truth. How do we know Yeshua to be the Messiah? We find Him in the ancient scriptures, the Torah, the record which G-d has revealed. The Ruach Hakodesh further reveals to us G-d’s truth about Yeshua and always in connection with the Scriptures. The scriptures form the foundation of our faith, the Torah, Prophets, Writings, and the Apostolic Writings. In this week’s portion G-d blesses us in earthly places if we live faithfully and in a pleasing way to him. The Apostolic Scriptures tell us in *Ephesians 1:3-6* that He (Yeshua) has blessed us in the heavenly places.

***Ephesians 1:3-6***

*1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 1:5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, 1:6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. (NASB)*

Will you accept the person and work of Yeshua with a pure and lasting faith that without him we are nothing? Will you have the same pure and lasting faith upon His return, an unaltered faith? The centrality of the person and work of Yeshua is the core of who we are whether we are Messianic believers or Christians, etc we need to clearly confess our faith that centers upon Yeshua the Messiah. The disciples were radical proclaiming the end is near, how much more should we be doing the same?

Heavenly Father,

Please forgive me and have mercy upon me for not acknowledging you as I should before others and in my day to day life Lord. Please help me to step out more often in my faith to bring glory to your Holy Name. I don’t want to have a marginal life and longer Lord; I want to be radically different for you. I want to walk according to your Holy ways but in a way that brings glory and honor to Your Name. Help me to do all of these things.

In Yeshua’s Name I pray.

**Be Blessed in Yeshua our Messiah!**

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**הללויה לאדוננו מורנו ורבינו ישוע מלך המשיח לעולם ועד:**

Hallelujah for our Lord, our Teacher, our Rabbi,

“Yeshua” King Messiah forever and ever