



Shoftim Torah Reading for 5785/2025

Torah Portion for Shoftim : Deuteronomy 16:18-17:13

18. Judges and officers shall you appoint in all your gates, which the Eternal your God gives you, throughout your tribes; and they shall judge the people with just judgment.

יח שְׁפִטִּים וְשֹׁטְרִים תִּתֵּן לָךְ
בְּכָל־שַׁעְרֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ נָתַן לָךְ
לְשִׁבְטֶיךָ וְשִׁפְטוּ אֶת־הָעָם
מִשְׁפָּט־צָדִק:

19. You shall not pervert judgment; you shall not respect persons, nor take a bribe; for a bribe blinds the eyes of the wise, and perverts the words of the righteous.

יט לֹא־תַטֶּה מִשְׁפָּט לֹא תִכָּיֵר פָּנִים
וְלֹא־תִקַּח שֹׁחַד כִּי הַשֹּׁחַד יַעֲוֶה עֵינַי
חֲכָמִים וַיִּסְלַף דְּבָרֵי צְדִיקִים:

20. Justice, only justice shall you pursue, that you may live, and inherit the land which the Eternal your God gives you.

כ צֶדֶק צֶדֶק תִּרְדֹּף לְמַעַן תִּחְיֶה וְיִרְשֶׁת
אֶת־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ נָתַן לָךְ:

21. You shall not plant you an Ashera of any tree near the altar of the Eternal your God, which you shall make.

כא לֹא־תִטַּע לָךְ אֲשֵׁרָה כָּל־עֵץ אֲצֶל
מִזְבֵּחַ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר תַּעֲשֶׂה־לָּךְ:

22. Neither shall you set you up any image; which the Eternal your God hates.

כב וְלֹא־תִקֵּים לָךְ מַצֵּבָה אֲשֶׁר שָׂנֵא
יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ:

Chapter 17

פרק יז

1. You shall not sacrifice to the Eternal your God any bull, or sheep, where there is a blemish, or anything evil; for that is an abomination to the Eternal your God.

א לֹא־תִזְבֹּחַ לַיהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ שׁוֹר וְשֶׂה
אֲשֶׁר יְהִיָּה בוֹ מוֹם כֹּל דָּבָר רָע כִּי
תוֹעֵבֶת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ הוּא:

2. If there is found among you, inside any of your gates which the Eternal your God gives you, man or woman, who has done wickedness in the sight of the Eternal your God, in transgressing his covenant,

ב כִּי־יִמָּצֵא בְּקִרְבְּךָ בְּאַחַד שַׁעְרֶיךָ
אֲשֶׁר־יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ נָתַן לָךְ אִישׁ
או־אִשָּׁה אֲשֶׁר יַעֲשֶׂה אֶת־הָרָע בְּעֵינֵי
יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לַעֲבֹר בְּרִיתוֹ:

3. And has gone and served other gods, and worshipped them, either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded;

ג וַיֵּלֶךְ וַיַּעֲבֹד אֱלֹהִים אֲחֵרִים וַיִּשְׁתַּחֲוֶה
לָהֶם וּלְשִׁמְשׁ | אוֹ לַיָּרֵחַ אוֹ לְכָל־צָבָא
הַשָּׁמַיִם אֲשֶׁר לֹא־צִוִּיתִי:

4. And it is told you, and you heard of it, and inquired diligently, and, behold, it is true, and the thing certain, that such abomination is done in Israel;

ד וְהִגַּד לָךְ וְשָׁמַעְתָּ וְדִרְשָׁתָּ הֵיטֵב
וְהִנֵּה אָמֵת נִכּוֹן הַדָּבָר נֶעֱשִׂיתָה
הַתוֹעֵבָה הַזֹּאת בְּיִשְׂרָאֵל:

5. Then shall you bring forth that man or that woman, which has committed that wicked thing, to your gates, that man or that woman, and shall stone them with stones, till they die.

6. By the mouth of two witnesses, or three witnesses, shall he who deserves death be put to death; but by the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

7. The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterwards the hands of all the people. So you shall put the evil away from among you.

8. If there arises a matter too hard for you in judgment, between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between plague and plague, being matters of controversy inside your gates; then shall you arise, and get to the place which the Eternal your God shall choose;

9. And you shall come to the priests the Levites, and to the judge who shall be in those days, and inquire; and they shall declare to you the sentence of judgment;

10. And you shall do according to the sentence, which they of that place which the Eternal shall choose shall declare to you; and you shall take care to do according to all that they inform you;

11. According to the sentence of the Torah which they shall teach you, and according to the judgment which they shall tell you, you shall do; you shall not decline from the sentence which they shall declare to you, to the right hand, nor to the left.

12. And the man who will act presumptuously, and will not listen to the priest who stands to minister there before the Eternal your God, or to the judge, that man shall die; and you shall put away the evil from Israel.

13. And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.

ה וְהוֹצֵאתָ אֶת־הָאִישׁ הַהוּא אֹת־הָאִשָּׁה הַהוּא אֲשֶׁר עָשָׂו אֶת־הַדָּבָר הָרָע הַזֶּה אֶל־שַׁעְרֶיךָ אֶת־הָאִישׁ אֹת־הָאִשָּׁה וְסִקְלֵתֶם בָּאֲבָנִים וּמָתוּ׃

ו עַל־פִּי | שְׁנַיִם עֵדִים א֥וּ שְׁלֹשָׁה עֵדִים יוֹמַת הַמָּוֶת לֹא יוֹמַת עַל־פִּי יֶעֶד אֶחָד׃

ז יָד הָעֵדִים תִּהְיֶה־בּוֹ בְּרֹאשֹׁנָה לַהֲמִיתוֹ וְיָד כָּל־הָעָם בְּאַחֲרֹנָה וּבַעֲרַת הָרָע מִקִּרְבֶּךָ׃

ח כִּי יִפְלֹא מִמֶּךָ דָּבָר לַמִּשְׁפָּט בֵּין־דָּם | לְדָם בֵּין־דָּין לְדָין וּבֵין נֹגַע לְנֹגַע דְּבָרֵי רִיבֹת בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ וְקָמַתָּ וְעָלִיתָ אֶל־הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִבְחָר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בּוֹ׃

ט וּבָאתָ אֶל־הַכֹּהֲנִים הַקְּלוּיִם וְאֶל־הַשֹּׁפֵט אֲשֶׁר יִהְיֶה בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם וְדִרְשָׁתָּ וְהִגִּידוּ לְךָ אֵת דְּבַר הַמִּשְׁפָּט׃

י וַעֲשִׂיתָ עַל־פִּי הַדָּבָר אֲשֶׁר יִגִּידוּ לְךָ מִן־הַמָּקוֹם הַהוּא אֲשֶׁר יִבְחָר יְהוָה וְשִׁמַּרְתָּ לַעֲשׂוֹת כְּכֹל אֲשֶׁר יֹרֹד׃

יא עַל־פִּי הַתּוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר יֹרֹד וְעַל־הַמִּשְׁפָּט אֲשֶׁר־יֹאמְרוּ לְךָ תַּעֲשֶׂה לֹא תִסּוּר מִן־הַדָּבָר אֲשֶׁר־יִגִּידוּ לְךָ יָמִין וּשְׂמָאל׃

יב וְהָאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר־יַעֲשֶׂה בְּזִדּוֹן לִבָּלְתִּי שָׁמַע אֶל־הַכֹּהֵן הָעֹמֵד לְשָׁרֵת שָׁם אֶת־יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֹו אֶל־הַשֹּׁפֵט וּמָתָה הָאִישׁ הַהוּא וּבַעֲרַת הָרָע מִיִּשְׂרָאֵל׃

יג וְכָל־הָעָם יִשְׁמְעוּ וְיִרְאוּ וְלֹא יִזְדּוּן עוֹד׃



Shoftim Haftarah Reading for 5785/2025

Haftarah for Shoftim : Isaiah 51:12-52:12

12. I, I myself, am he who comforts you; who are you, that you should be afraid of a man who shall die, and of the son of man who shall be made as grass;

13. And have forgotten the Eternal your maker, who has stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and have feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor?

14. He who is bowed down shall speedily be released, and he shall not die in the pit, nor shall his bread fail.

15. And I am the Eternal your God, who stirs up the sea, whose waves roar; The Eternal of hosts is his name.

16. And I have put my words in your mouth, and I have covered you in the shadow of my hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say to Zion, You are my people.

17. Awake, awake, stand up, O Jerusalem, who has drunk at the hand of the Eternal the cup of his fury; you have drunk to the dregs the bowl of staggering.

18. There is none to guide her among all the sons whom she has brought forth; nor is there any who takes her by the hand among all the sons whom she has brought up.

19. These two things have befallen you; who shall console you? Desolation, and destruction, and the famine, and the sword; by whom shall I comfort you?

20. Your sons have fainted, they lie at the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net; they are full of the fury of the Eternal, the rebuke of your God.

יב אֲנֹכִי אֲנֹכִי הוּא מְנַחֲמְכֶם מִי־אֶתְּ וּתְיַרְאִי מֵאִנּוּשׁ יָמוּת וּמִבֶּן־אָדָם חָצִיר יִנָּתֵן:

יג וַתִּשְׁכַּח יְהוָה עֹשֶׂה נֹטָה שָׁמַיִם וַיִּסַּד אֶרֶץ וַתִּפְחֹד תִּמְיֹד כָּל־הַיּוֹם מִפְּנֵי חֲמַת הַמַּצִּיק כַּאֲשֶׁר כּוֹנֵן לְהַשְׁחִית וְאַיֶּה חֲמַת הַמַּצִּיק:

יד מִהֵר צָעָה לְהַפְתָּח וְלֹא־יָמוּת לִשְׁחַת וְלֹא יִחְסַר לַחֲמוֹ:

טו וְאֲנֹכִי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ רֹגֵעַ הַיָּם וַיִּהְיֶה גִלּוֹ יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ:

טז וְאֲשִׁים דִּבְרִי בְּפִיךָ וּבִצֶּל יָדִי כִסִּיתִיךָ לְנוֹטֵעַ שָׁמַיִם וְלִיסַד אֶרֶץ וְלֵאמֹר לְצִיּוֹן עַמִּי־אַתָּה:

יז הַתְּעוֹרְרִי הַתְּעוֹרְרִי קוֹמִי יְרוּשָׁלַם אֲשֶׁר שָׁתִית מִיַּד יְהוָה אֶת־כּוֹס חֲמָתוֹ אֶת־קַבְּצֵת כּוֹס הַתִּרְעָלָה שָׁתִית מִצִּית:

יח אִין־מְנַהֵל לָהּ מִכָּל־בָּנִים יִלְדָה וְאִין מַחֲזִיק בְּיָדָהּ מִכָּל־בָּנִים גִּדְּלָהּ:

יט שְׁתֵּי־מֵי הִנֵּה קָרְאֲתִיךָ מִי יִנּוּד לָךְ הַשָּׂד וְהַשֶּׁבֶר וְהַרְעָב וְהַחֲרָב מִי אֲנַחֲמֶךָ:

כ בְּנִיךָ עָלְפוּ שָׁכְבוּ בְּרֹאשׁ כָּל־חֻצוֹת כְּתוּא מִכְמָר הַמְּלָאִים חֲמַת־יְהוָה גִּעְרַת אֱלֹהֶיךָ:

21. Therefore hear now this, you afflicted, and drunken, but not with wine;

כא לכן שְׁמַעֲנָא זֹאת עֲנִיָּה וְשִׁכְרָת וְלֹא מֵיַיִן:

22. Thus says your Eternal the Eternal, and your God who pleads the cause of his people, Behold, I have taken from your hand the cup of staggering, the deep bowl of my fury; you shall no more drink it again.

כב כֹּה-אָמַר אֱדֹנֶיךָ יְהוָה וְאֱלֹהֶיךָ יָרִיב עִמּוֹ הִנֵּה לִקְחָתִי מִיָּדְךָ אֶת-כּוֹס הַתַּרְעֵלָה אֶת-קַבְּעַת כּוֹס חֲמָתִי לֹא-תוֹסִיֵּף לִשְׁתוֹתָהּ עוֹד:

23. But I will put it into the hand of those who afflict you; who have said to your soul, Bow down, that we may pass over; and you have laid your body like the ground, and like the street, for them to pass over.

כג וְשִׁמְתִּיהָ בְּיַד-מוֹלִיךְ אֲשֶׁר-אָמְרוּ לְנַפְשְׁךָ שְׁחִי וְנַעֲבְרָה וְתַשְׁיִמִּי כְּאָרֶץ גִּזּוּף וְכַחוּץ לַעֲבָרִים:

Chapter 52

פרק נב

1. Awake, awake; put on your strength, O Zion; put on your beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city; from now on there shall no more come to you the uncircumcised and the unclean.

א עוֹרִי עוֹרִי לְבָשִׁי עֲזָז צִיּוֹן לְבָשִׁי | בְּגָדֵי תִפְאָרְתְּךָ יְרוּשָׁלַם עִיר הַקֹּדֶשׁ כִּי לֹא יוֹסִיף יְבֹא-בְךָ עוֹד עֶרְל וְטָמֵא:

2. Shake yourself from the dust; arise, and sit down, O Jerusalem; loose yourself from the bands of your neck, O captive daughter of Zion.

ב הַתְנַעֲרִי מֵעָפָר קוּמִי שְׁבִי יְרוּשָׁלַם הַתְּפַתְחוּ [הַתְּפַתְחִיל] מוֹסְרֵי צוּאֲרְךָ שְׁבִיָּה בַת-צִיּוֹן:

3. For thus says the Lord, You have sold yourselves for nothing; and you shall be redeemed without money.

ג כִּי-כֹה אָמַר יְהוָה חֲנֹם נִמְכַּרְתֶּם וְלֹא בְכֶסֶף תִּגְאָלוּ:

4. For thus says the Lord God, My people went down the first time to Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.

ד כִּי כֹה אָמַר אֱדֹנֵי יְהוָה מִצְרַיִם יֵרְדוּ-עַמִּי בְּרֵאשֶׁנָּה לְגוֹר שָׁם וְאַשּׁוּר בְּאַפָּס עֲשָׁקוּ:

5. Now therefore, what have I here, says the Lord, that my people is taken away for nothing? Those who rule over them howl, says the Lord; and my name continually every day is blasphemed.

ה וְעַתָּה מִי [מֶה] לִי-פֹה נָאִם-יְהוָה כִּי-לָקַח עַמִּי חֲנֹם מִשְׁלֹן [מִשְׁלֹן] יְהִלִּילוּ נָאִם-יְהוָה וְתָמִיד כָּל-הַיּוֹם שְׁמִי מִנְאָץ:

6. Therefore my people shall know my name; therefore they shall know in that day that I am he who speaks; behold, here I am.

ו לְכֹן יֵדַע עַמִּי שְׁמִי לְכֹן בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא כִּי-אֲנִי-הוּא הַמְדַבֵּר הִנְנִי:

7. How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who announces peace; who brings good news of good, who announces salvation; who says to Zion, Your God reigns!

ז מה־נָאוּ עַל־הַהָרִים רַגְלֵי מְבַשֵּׂר
מְשַׁמֵּעַ שְׁלוֹם מְבַשֵּׂר טוֹב מְשַׁמֵּעַ
יְשׁוּעָה אֹמֵר לְצִיּוֹן מִלֵּךְ אֱלֹהֶיהָ:

8. The voice of your watchmen is heard; together shall they sing; for they shall see eye to eye, when the Lord returns to Zion.

ח קוֹל צִפְיָךְ נִשְׁמָע קוֹל יַחַדְּךָ יִרְנְנוּ כִּי
עֵין בְּעֵין יֵרְאוּ בָשׁוּב יְהוָה צִיּוֹן:

9. Break forth into joy, sing together, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord has comforted his people, he has redeemed Jerusalem.

ט פָּצְחוּ רִנְנוּ יַחַדְּךָ חֲרְבוֹת יְרוּשָׁלַם
כִּי־נִתְּם יְהוָה עֲמֹו גָּאֵל יְרוּשָׁלַם:

10. The Lord has made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

י חֲשָׁף יְהוָה אֶת־זְרוֹעַ קִדְשׁוֹ לְעֵינֵי
כָּל־הַגּוֹיִם וְרָאוּ כָּל־אַפְסֵי־אֶרֶץ אֶת
יְשׁוּעַת אֱלֹהֵינוּ:

11. Depart, depart, go out from there, touch no unclean thing; go out from her midst; be clean, you who bear the utensils of the Lord.

יא סֹוְרוֹ סֹוְרוֹ צִאוּ מִנְּשָׁם טִמְאָה
אַל־תִּגְעוּ צִאוּ מִתּוֹכָהּ הִבְרֹוּ נִשְׂאֵי כָּלִי
יְהוָה:

12. For you shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight; for the Lord will go before you; and the God of Israel will be your rear guard.

יב כִּי לֹא בַחֲפָזוֹן תֵּצְאוּ וּבַמְנוּסָה לֹא
תֵּלְכוּן כִּי־הִלְךְ לְפָנֵיכֶם יְהוָה
וּמֵאַסְפְּכֶם אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: