

Parsha Miketz – Genesis 41

39 Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, “Since Yah has made all this known to you, there is no one as discerning and wise as you.

40 You! You will be over my house, and all my people will pay homage to you. Only in relation to the throne will I be greater than you.”

Who Is This Pharaoh who Honors YHWH and Joseph?

Joseph might have come to Egypt during the reign of Sesostris II (1894-1878 BCE).

He most likely enters Egypt under Sesostris II (17yo) and begins his career (30yo) under Sesostris III (1878-1841 BCE) (Senusret II, Senusret III). He lives in Egypt for 71 years, so Joseph dies(110yo) in approximately 1805 BCE, under the reign of Amenemhet III (1841-1797 BCE).

Parsha Shemot – Names

Exodus 1:8 - 10

8 Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph.

9 He said to his people, “Look, the people of Bnei-Yisrael are too numerous and too powerful for us.

10 Come, we must deal shrewdly with them, or else they will grow even more numerous, so that if war breaks out, they may join our enemies, fight against us, and then escape from the land.”

-יָדָא yada – to know, acknowledge (denotes a form of intimacy)

Parsha Shemot – Names

Exodus 5:1 - 2

1 Afterward, Moshe and Aaron went and said to Pharaoh, “This is what YHWH, Elohim of Israel, says: Let My people go, so that they may hold a feast for Me in the wilderness.”

2 But Pharaoh said, “Who is YHWH, that I should listen to His voice and let Israel go? I do not know YHWH, and besides, I will not let Israel go.”

Who Is This Pharaoh who Dishonors YHWH and Joseph?

Exodus 1:8 Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph.

Amenhotep I 1525 – 1546

Was prophesied of in Genesis 15

13 Then He said to Abram, “Know for certain that your seed will be strangers in a land that is not theirs, and they will be enslaved and oppressed 400 years.

14 But I am going to judge the nation that they will serve. Afterward they will go out with many possessions.

Pharaohs Plans

- Forced Labor at Pithom and Raameses
- Made their lives bitter with hard labor with mortar and brick
- Hard Labor in the fields
- In all their labors they worked them with cruelty.
- Ordered midwives to kill male children
- Pharaoh ordered citizens to cast male children into the river
- Withholds materials but expects continued production quotas

Why?

- Because Pharaoh did not know or respect YHWH or Joseph
- He feared them because they prospered and multiplied, which was their promise from Yah
- He feared they would overtake, or help another enemy overtake, Egypt

Joseph Honored

Parsha Miketz Genesis 41

45 Then Pharaoh named Joseph Zaphenath-paneah (זָפְנַת פַּעַנֵּחַ) and gave him Asenath daughter of Potiphera, priest of On, as his wife. Then Joseph went out, in charge of the land of Egypt.

- Pharaoh designates him as the preserver of life, as the interpreter of the dream and the proposer of the plan by which the country was saved from famine

זַפְנָת פַּעֲנָה - Zaphnath-Paaneah

- Targum Onkelos (1st century CE) gives the meaning of the name as "the man to whom hidden things are revealed";
- [1] Targum Pseudo-Jonathan, "the man who revealeth mysteries";
- [2] Josephus[3] (c. CE 94), "a finder of mysteries". Rashi (11th–12th century CE) in his commentary on the Torah gives the meaning "explainer of hidden things".
- [4] Nachmanides (13th century) gives "explainer of secrets",
- [5] while Bahya ben Asher (13th–14th century) gives "the one who reveals secrets".

זַפְּנָת פַּעֲנָה - Zaphnath-Paaneah

- The reason for these translations is that the feminine noun) זַפְּנָת (Zāpnat) refers to something hidden/secret in Hebrew, deriving from the root) נִצַּח (n-ḥ-p), meaning "to hide, conceal"; while) פַּעֲנָה (Pa'neah) is a verb deriving from the root) נִחַח (n-ḥ-p), meaning "to discover, decipher, decode".
- This would give us the literal translation of "Zaphnath-Paaneah" from Hebrew as "He [who] deciphered the Hidden".

What's In A Name?

- It is descriptive of you as a being
- It carries a memory or reminder of who you are
- It can denote greatness or failure
- It can inspire or lend a cautionary thought
- It relates to the essence of you

Exodus 3:4 - 6

4 When YHWH saw that he turned to look, He called to him out of the midst of the bush and said, "Moshe, Moshe!" So he answered, "Hineni."

5 Then He said, "Come no closer. Take your sandals off your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy ground."

6 Moreover He said, "I am the Elohim of your father, the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob." So Moshe hid his face, because he was afraid to look at YHWH.

יהוה Yod Hey Vav Hey (Waw)

- Yahweh
- Behold The Hand, Behold The Nail
- HaShem – The Name
- Elohim - God
- Adonai – Lord

Exodus 3:12 - 14

12 So He said, “I will surely be with you. So that will be the sign to you that it is I who have sent you. When you have brought the people out of Egypt: you will worship YHWH on this mountain.”

13 But Moshe said to YHWH, “Suppose I go to Bnei-Yisrael and say to them, ‘The Elohim of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is His Name?’ What should I say to them?”

14 Yah answered Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.”

(Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh אֶהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶהְיֶה)

Then He said, “You are to say to Bnei-Yisrael, ‘I AM’ (אֶהְיֶה) has sent me to you.”

Exodus 3:15

15 YHWH also said to Moses: “You are to say to Bnei-Yisrael, YHWH, the Elohim of your fathers, the Elohim of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My Name forever, and the Name by which I should be remembered from generation to generation.

ehyeh asher ehyeh

אֶהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶהְיֶה

"I am who (I) am"

"I will become what I choose to become",

"I am what I am"

"I create what(ever) I create"

"I am the Existing One"

"He Who brings being in to being"

The traditional English translation within Judaism favours

"I will be what I will be"

Names of YHWH

EL SHADDAI – YHWH ALMIGHTY

GENESIS 17

1 When Abram was 99 years old, YHWH appeared to Abram, and He said to him, “I am El Shaddai. Continually walk before Me and you will be blameless.

2 My heart’s desire is to make My covenant between Me and you, and then I will multiply you exceedingly much.”

Names of YHWH

EL ELYON - YHWH MOST HIGH

PSALMS 57

1 For the music director, “Do Not Destroy,” a Michtam of David, when he fled from Saul, in the cave.

2 Be gracious to me, O God, be gracious to me, for in You my soul takes refuge. In the shadow of Your wings I take refuge, until destruction passes by.

3 I will cry out to El Elyon, to YAH who accomplishes it for me.

Names of YHWH

EL RO'EH – YAH IS MY SHEPHERD

PSALMS 23

1 A psalm of David.

YHWH is my shepherd, I shall not want.

Names of YHWH

YHWH YIREH – YHWH IS MY PROVIDER

GENESIS 22

13 Then Abraham lifted up his eyes and behold, there was a ram, just caught in the thick bushes by its horns. So Abraham went and took the ram, and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.

14 Abraham named that place, YHWH Yireh,—as it is said today, “On the mountain, YHWH will provide.”

Names of YHWH

YHWH RAPHA – YHWH HEALS

EXODUS 15

26 He said, “If you diligently listen to the voice of YHWH your ELOHIM, do what is right in His eyes, pay attention to His mitzvot, and keep all His decrees, I will put none of the diseases on you which I have put on the Egyptians. For I am YHWH who heals you.”

Names of YHWH

YHWH NISSI – YHWH IS MY BANNER

EXODUS 17

11 When Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed. But when he let down his hand, the Amalekites prevailed.

12 Moses' hands grew heavy, so they took a stone, put it under him, and he sat down. Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on each side. So his hands were steady until the sun went down.

13 So Joshua overpowered the Amalekites and his army with the edge of the sword.

14 YHWH said to Moses, "Write this for a memorial in the book, and rehearse it in the hearing of Joshua, for I will utterly blot out the memory of the Amalekites from under heaven."

15 Then Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Adonai-Nissi.

Names of YHWH

YHWH M'KADDESH – YHWH SANCTIFIES

LEVITICUS 20

7 So consecrate yourselves and be holy, for I am YHWH your Elohim

8 You are to keep My statutes, and do them. I am YHWH who sanctifies you.

Names of YHWH

YHWH TZIDKENU – YHWH OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

JEREMIAH 23

6 In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell in safely; and this is His Name by which He will be called:

YHWH our righteousness.

Names of YHWH

YHWH SH'MAH – YHWH IS THERE

EZEKIEL 48

34 At the west side, 4,500, with their three gates: the Gad Gate, one; the Asher Gate, one; the Naphtali Gate, one.

35 It will be 18,000 cubits all around. "From that day on, the name of the city will be:

'YHWH Is There'"

Names of YHWH

YHWH EL ROI – YHWH WHO SEES

GENESIS 16

13 So she (Hagar) called YHWH who was speaking to her, “You are the Elohim who sees me.” For she said, “Would I have gone here indeed looking for Him who looks after me?”

14 That is why the well is named, the Well of the Living One Who Sees Me. (Behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered.)

Names of YHWH

YHWH TZAVA'OT – YHWH OF HOSTS or ARMIES

1 SAMUEL 17

45 Then David said to the Philistine, “You are coming to me with a sword, a spear and a javelin, but I am coming to you in the Name of YHWH-Tzva’ot, Elohim of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied.

46 This very day YHWH will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and take your head off you, and I will give the carcasses of the Philistines’ camp today to the birds of the sky and the wild beasts of the earth. Then all the earth will know that there is an ELOHIM in Israel, (YHWH SH’MA)

47 and so all this assembly will know that YHWH delivers not with sword and spear—for the battle belongs to YHWH—and He will give you into our hands.”

Names of YHWH

YHWH TZAVA'OT

1 Samuel 1:3

2 Samuel 6:2, 7 ; 7:26 – 27

1 Chronicles 11:9

Haggai 1:5

Isaiah 6:1 - 3

What Then Should We Consider

Philippians 4

8 Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable—if there is any virtue and if there is anything worthy of praise—dwell on these things.

9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—put these things into practice, and the Elohim of Shalom will be with you.



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Exodus 6:2 – 9:35

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