

Portion: Shemoth (And I Appeared)  
Shemoth (Exodus 5:1-6:1)  
Yeshayah (Isaiah 27:6-12)

Exodus 5:1-23

1 And afterwards Mosheh and Aharon went in and said to Pharaoh, "Thus said יהוה Elohim of Yisra'el, 'Let My people go, so that they celebrate a festival to Me in the wilderness.' "

2 And Pharaoh said, "Who is יהוה, that I should obey His voice to let Yisra'el go? I do not know יהוה, nor am I going to let Yisra'el go."

3 And they said, "The Elohim of the Hebrews has met with us. Please, let us go three days' journey into the wilderness and slaughter to יהוה our Elohim, lest He fall upon us with pestilence or with the sword."

4 But the sovereign of Mitsrayim said to them, "Mosheh and Aharon, why do you take the people from their work? Get back to your burdens."

5 And Pharaoh said, "See, the people of the land are many now, and you make them cease from their burdens!"

6 And the same day Pharaoh commanded the slave-drivers of the people and their foremen, saying,

7 "You are no longer to give the people straw to make bricks as before. Let them go and gather straw for themselves.

8 And lay on them the required amount of bricks which they made before, do not diminish it. For they are idle, that is why they cry out, saying, 'Let us go and slaughter to our Elohim.' "

9 Let more work be laid on the men, so that they labour in it, and not pay attention to words of falsehood.

10 And the slave-drivers of the people and their foremen went out and spoke to the people, saying, "Thus said Pharaoh, 'I do not give you straw.

11 'Go, take straw for yourselves, where ever you find it, for your work shall not be diminished.' "

12 And the people were scattered in all the land of Mitsrayim - to gather stubble for straw.

13 And the slave-drivers were hurrying them on, saying, "Fulfill your actions, your daily matters, as when there was straw."

14 Also the foremen of the children of Yisra'el, whom Pharaoh's slave-drivers had set over them, were struck and were asked, "Why have you not fulfilled your law in making bricks both yesterday and today, as before?"

15 And the foremen of the children of Yisra'el came and cried out to Pharaoh, saying, "Why do you treat your servants this way?

16 There is no straw given to your servants, and they say to us, 'Make bricks!' And see, your servants are struck, but your own people are at fault.

17 But he said, "You are idle! You are idle! That is why you say, 'Let us go and slaughter to יהוה!'

18 So now go, work. And straw is not given to you, but deliver the amount of bricks.

19 And the foremen of the children of Yisra'el saw that they were in trouble after it was said, "You are not to diminish your daily amount of bricks."

20 And when they came out from Pharaoh, they met Mosheh and Aharon who stood there to meet them.

21 And they said to them, "Let יהוה look on you and judge, because you have made us loathsome in the eyes of Pharaoh and in the eyes of his servants, to give a sword in their hand to kill us."

22 And Mosheh returned to יהוה and said, "יהוה, why have You done evil to this people? Why did You send me?"

23 For ever since I came to Pharaoh to speak in Your Name, he has done evil to this people. And You have not delivered Your people at all.

Exodus 6:1

1 And יהוה said to Mosheh, "Now see what I do to Pharaoh, for with a strong hand he is going to let them go, and with a strong hand he is going to drive them out of his land."

Isaiah 27:6-12

6 Those who come He causes to take root in Ya'aqob, Yisra'el shall blossom and bud. And they shall fill the face of the world with fruit.

7 Has He smitten him as he struck the ones who were striking him? Or as a killer - was he killed as he was killing?

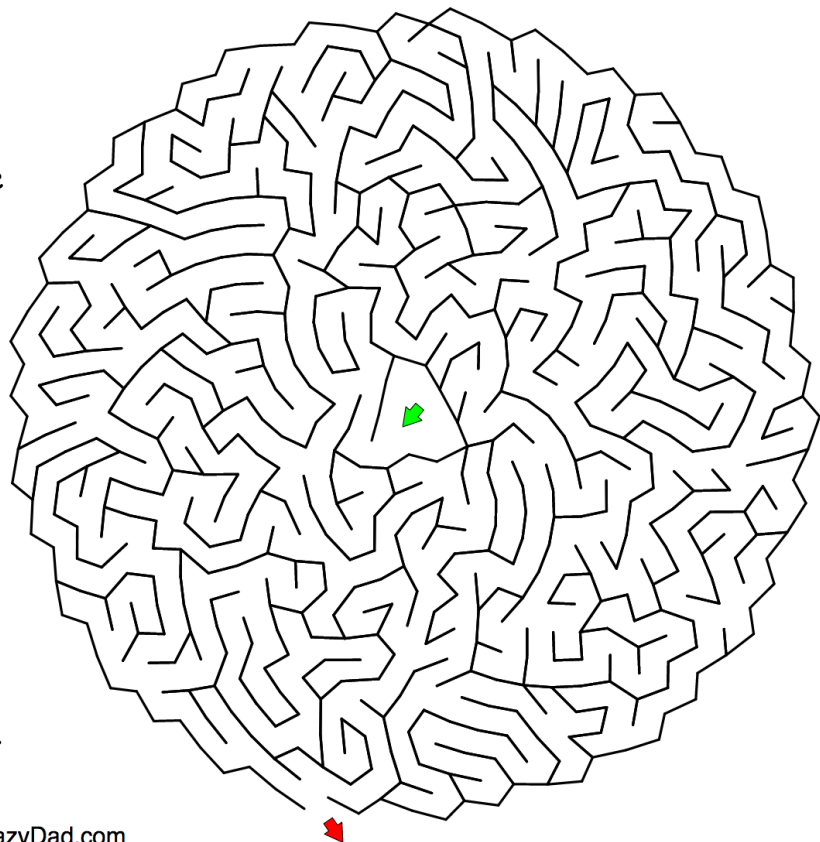
8 In measure, by sending her away, You contended with her. He shall take away by His rough wind in the day of the east wind.

9 Therefore by this the crookedness of Ya'aqob is covered. And this is all the fruit of taking away his sin: when he makes all the stones of the slaughter-place like chalkstones that are beaten to dust - Asherim and sun-pillars rise no more.

10 For the city of defence is lonely, a home forsaken and left like a wilderness - there the calf feeds, and there it lies down, and shall consume its branches.

11 When its twigs are dry, they are broken off, women come and set them on fire. For it is a people of no understanding, therefore He who made them has no compassion on them, and He who formed them shows them no favour.

12 And in that day it shall be that יהוה threshes, from the channel of the River to the wadi of Mitsrayim. And you shall be gathered one by one, O children of Yisra'el.



### Fill In The Blank

- 1) And יהוה said to Mosheh, "Now see what I do to Pharaoh, for with a \_\_\_\_\_ hand he is going to let them go, and with a \_\_\_\_\_ hand he is going to drive them out of his land."
- 2) Those who come He causes to take \_\_\_\_\_ in Ya'aqob, Yisra'el shall \_\_\_\_\_ and bud. And they shall fill the face of the world with fruit.
- 3) For the city of \_\_\_\_\_ is lonely, a home forsaken and left like a wilderness - there the calf feeds, and there it lies down, and shall \_\_\_\_\_ its branches.
- 4) When its twigs are dry, they are broken off, women come and set them on fire. For it is a people of no \_\_\_\_\_, therefore He who made them has no \_\_\_\_\_ on them, and He who formed them shows them no favour.
- 5) You are no longer to give the people \_\_\_\_\_ to make bricks as before. Let them go and gather \_\_\_\_\_ for themselves.
- 6) For ever since I came to Pharaoh to \_\_\_\_\_ in Your Name, he has done evil to this people. And You have not \_\_\_\_\_ Your people at all.
- 7) There is no straw given to your \_\_\_\_\_, and they say to us, 'Make bricks!' And see, your servants are \_\_\_\_\_, but your own people are at fault.
- 8) Also the \_\_\_\_\_ of the children of Yisra'el, whom Pharaoh's slave-drivers had set over them, were struck and were asked, "Why have you not fulfilled your law in making bricks both \_\_\_\_\_ and today, as before?"
- 9) And lay on them the required amount of bricks which they made before, do not \_\_\_\_\_ it. For they are idle, that is why they cry out, saying, 'Let us go and \_\_\_\_\_ to our Elohim.'

### True Or False

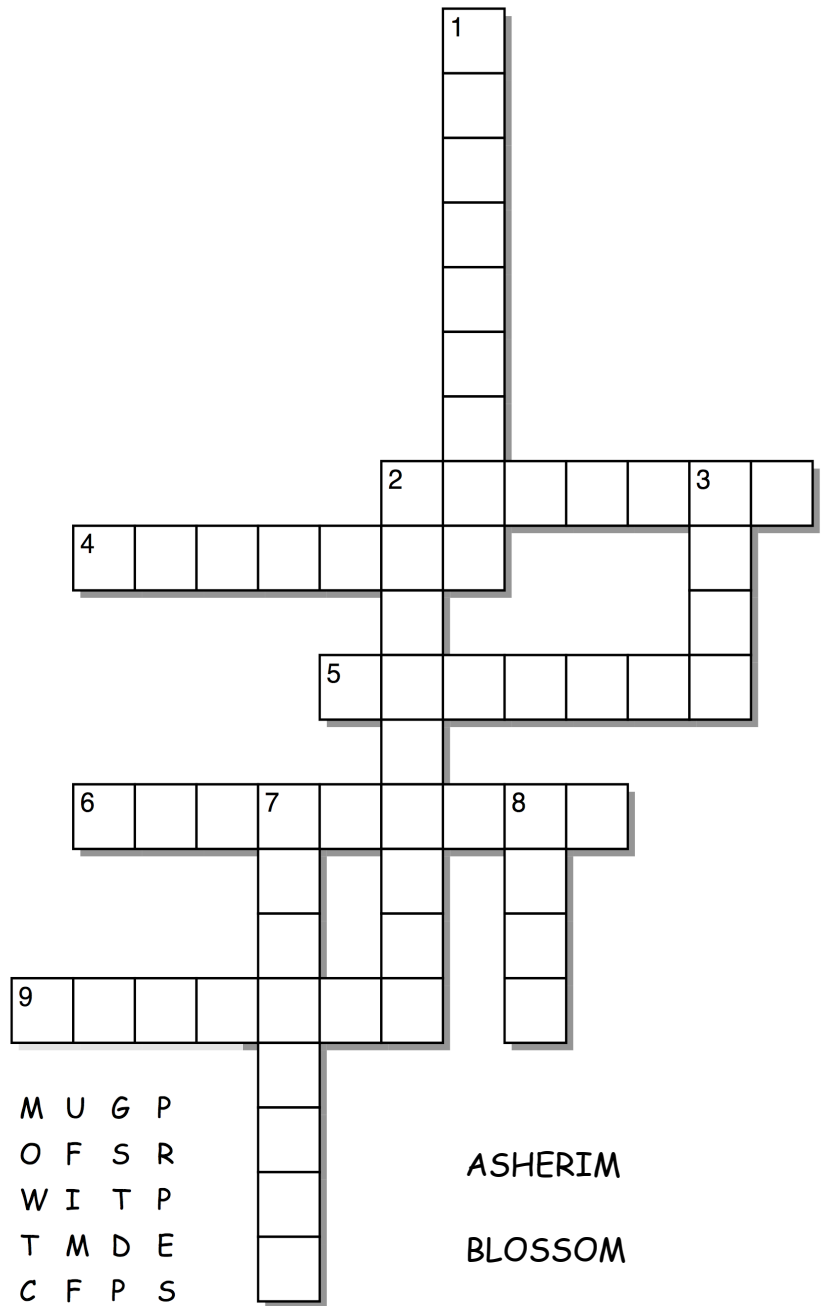
- 1) None of the foremen were from the children of Yisra'el all of them were Mitsrayim. True/False
- 2) The Pharaoh put more labor upon Yisra'el by making them collect their own straw to make bricks. True/False

**Across**

2. Has He \_\_\_\_\_ him as he struck the ones who were striking him?
4. And the people were scattered in all the land of Mitsrayim - to gather \_\_\_\_\_ for straw.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ your actions, your daily matters, as when there was straw.
6. Let more work be laid on the men, so that they labour in it, and not pay attention to words of \_\_\_\_\_.
9. So now go, work. And straw is not given to you, but \_\_\_\_\_ the amount of bricks.

**Down**

1. Let יהוה look on you and judge, because you have made us \_\_\_\_\_ in the eyes of Pharaoh.
2. "You are idle! You are idle! That is why you say, 'Let us go and \_\_\_\_\_ to יהוה.'
3. יהוה, why have You done \_\_\_\_\_ to this people?
7. Why do you treat your \_\_\_\_\_ this way?
8. Who is יהוה, that I should \_\_\_\_\_ His voice to let Yisra'el go?



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