

Portion: VaYeshev (And He Settled)  
Berēshith (Genesis 38:1-39:5)

Genesis 38:1-30

- 1 And at that time it came to be that Yehudāh left his brothers, and turned aside to a man, an Adullamite whose name was Hirah.
- 2 And Yehudāh saw there a daughter of a certain Kena'anite whose name was Shuwa. And he took her and went in to her.
- 3 So she conceived and bore a son, and he called his name Ėr.
- 4 And she conceived again and bore a son, and she called his name Onan.
- 5 And she conceived yet again and bore a son, and called his name Shēlah. And he was at Keziḇ when she bore him.
- 6 And Yehudāh took a wife for Ėr his first-born, and her name was Tamar.
- 7 But Ėr, Yehudāh's first-born, was evil in the eyes of יהוה, and יהוה took his life.
- 8 And Yehudāh said to Onan, "Go in to your brother's wife and marry her, and raise up an heir to your brother."
- 9 And Onan knew that the offspring would not be his. And it came to be, when he went in to his brother's wife, that he spilled on the ground, lest he should give an offspring to his brother.
- 10 But what he did displeased יהוה, so He took his life too.
- 11 Then Yehudāh said to Tamar his daughter-in-law, "Remain a widow in your father's house until my son Shēlah is grown." For he said, "Lest he also die as his brothers did." And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's house.
- 12 And after a long time the daughter of Shuwa, Yehudāh's wife, died. And Yehudāh was comforted, and went up to his sheep-shearers at Timnah, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.
- 13 And it was reported to Tamar, saying, "See, your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep."
- 14 And she took off her widow's garments, and covered herself with a veil and wrapped herself, and sat at the entrance to Ėnayim which was on the way to Timnah. For she saw that Shēlah was grown, and she was not given to him as a wife.
- 15 And Yehudāh saw her, and reckoned her for a whore, for she had covered her face.
- 16 And he turned aside to her by the way, and said, "Please let me come in to you," for he did not know that she was his daughter-in-law. And she said, "What do you give me to come in to me?"
- 17 And he said, "Let me send you a young goat from the flock." And she said, "Do you give me a pledge until you send it?"
- 18 So he said, "What pledge should I give you?" And she said, "Your seal and your cord and your staff that is in your hand." And he gave them to her, and went in to her, and she conceived by him.
- 19 And she arose and went away, and removed her veil and put on the garments of her widowhood.

20 And Yehudāh sent the young goat by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive his pledge from the woman's hand, but he did not find her.

21 And he asked the men of that place, saying, "Where is the cult prostitute who was beside the way to Ĕnayim?" And they said, "There was no cult prostitute in this place."

22 And he returned to Yehudāh and said, "I have not found her. And the men of the place also said there was no cult prostitute in this place."

23 And Yehudāh said, "Let her take them for herself, lest we become despised, for I sent this young goat and you have not found her."

24 And it came to be, about three new moons after, that Yehudāh was informed, saying, "Tamar your daughter-in-law has whored, and see, she has conceived by whoring." And Yehudāh said, "Bring her out and let her be burned!"

25 When she was brought out, she sent to her father-in-law, saying, "By the man to whom these belong, I am pregnant." And she said, "Please examine whose these are: the seal and the cord and the staff."

26 And Yehudāh examined and said, "She has been more righteous than I, because I did not give her to Shēlah my son." And he never knew her again.

27 And it came to be, at the time for giving birth, that see, twins were in her womb.

28 And it came to be, when she was giving birth, that the one put out his hand. And the midwife took a scarlet thread and bound it on his hand, saying, "This one came out first."

29 And it came to be, as he drew back his hand, that see, his brother came out! And she said, "How did you break through? This breach be upon you!" So his name was called Perets.

30 And afterward his brother came out who had the scarlet thread on his hand. So his name was called Zerah.

### Genesis 39:1-5

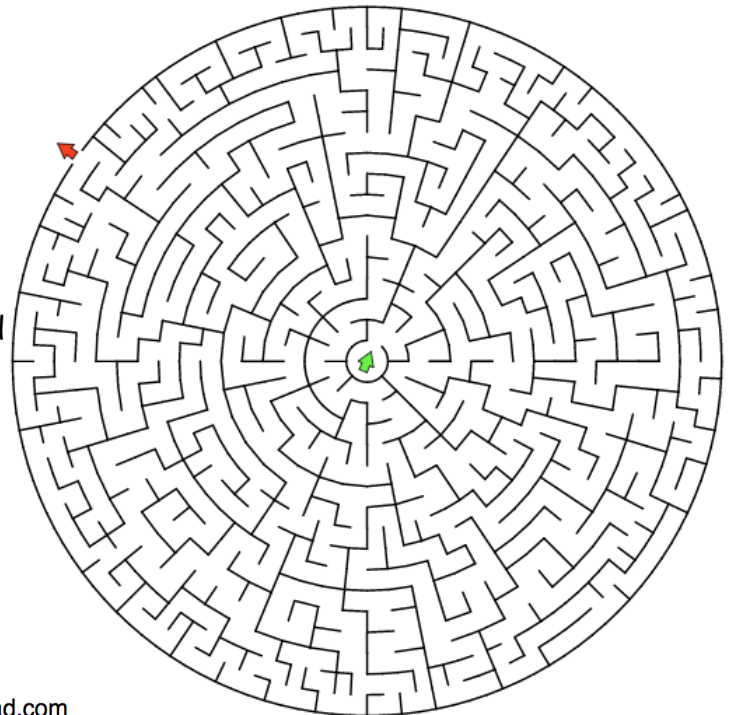
1 And Yosēph had been taken down to Mitsrayim. And Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, a Mitsrian, bought him from the Yishma'ēlites who had taken him down there.

2 And it came to be that יהוה was with Yosēph, and he became a prosperous man, and was in the house of his master the Mitsrian.

3 And his master saw that יהוה was with him and that יהוה made all he did to prosper in his hand.

4 So Yosēph found favour in his eyes, and served him, and he appointed him over his house, and gave into his hand all that he had.

5 And it came to be, from the time that he appointed him over his house and all that he had, that יהוה blessed the Mitsrian's house for Yosēph's sake. And the blessing of יהוה was on all that he had in the house and in the field.



### Fill In The Blank

- 1) And after a long time the daughter of \_\_\_\_\_, Yehudāh's \_\_\_\_\_, died.
- 2) And it came to be, at the time for giving \_\_\_\_\_, that see, \_\_\_\_\_ were in her womb.
- 3) And it came to be, when he went in to his brother's wife, that he \_\_\_\_\_ on the ground, lest he should give an \_\_\_\_\_ to his brother.
- 4) But Ėr, Yehudāh's first-born, was \_\_\_\_\_ in the eyes of יהוה, and יהוה took his \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) And afterward his brother came out who had the \_\_\_\_\_ thread on his hand. So his name was called \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6) "Let me send you a young \_\_\_\_\_ from the flock." And she said, "Do you give me a \_\_\_\_\_ until you send it?"
- 7) "Tamar your daughter-in-law has whored, and see, she has \_\_\_\_\_ by whoring." And Yehudāh said, "Bring her out and let her be \_\_\_\_\_!"
- 8) So she conceived and bore a \_\_\_\_\_, and he called his name \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9) "Let her take them for \_\_\_\_\_, lest we become \_\_\_\_\_, for I sent this young goat and you have not found her."
- 10) So Yosēph found \_\_\_\_\_ in his eyes, and served him, and he \_\_\_\_\_ him over his house, and gave into his hand all that he had.

### True Or False

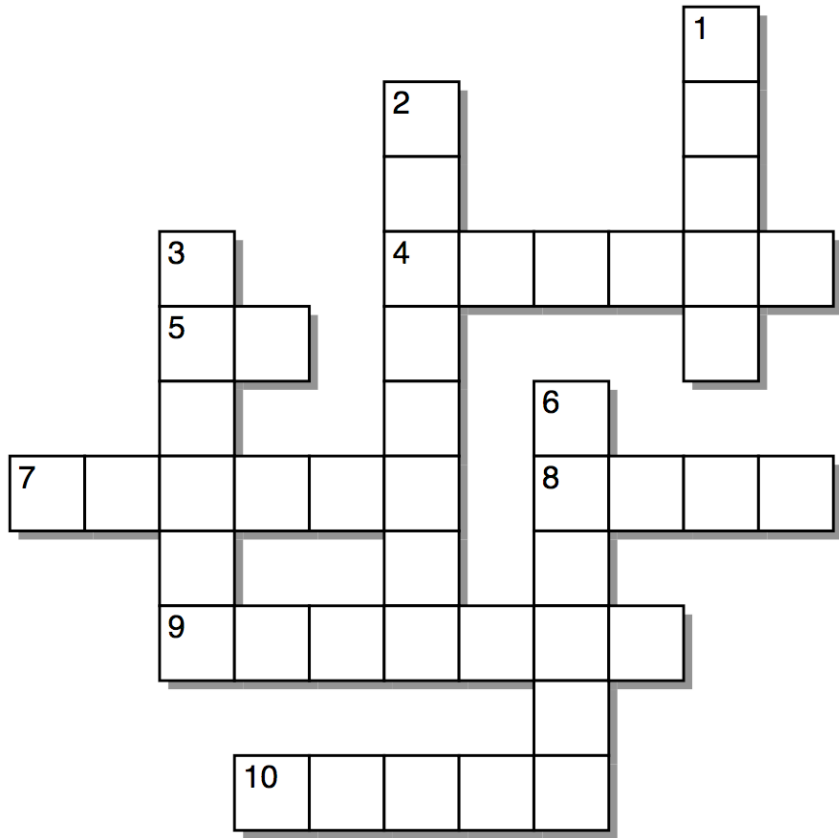
- 1) Pharaoh bought Yosēph from the Yishma'ēlites. True/False
- 2) Tamar was found to be pregnant after three months. True/False
- 3) Yehudāh did not keep his word to Tamar. True/False
- 4) Ėr was evil in the eyes of יהוה. True/False

**Across**

4. Your father-in-law is going up to \_\_\_\_\_ to shear his sheep.
5. Yehudah's first born son.
7. Yehudah's third born son.
8. Yehudah's second born son.
9. What color thread was bound to Zerah's hand?
10. Who was Yehudah's Adullamite friend?

**Down**

1. What was Yehudah's daughter-in-law's name?
2. Captain of the guard.
3. What was the name of the second twin?
6. Who had been taken down to Mitsrayim?



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