

Re'eh, Torah, August 12, 2023

Deuteronomy 11:26-12:28

(26) See, this day I set before you blessing and curse: (27) blessing, if you obey the commandments of your God יהוה that I enjoin upon you this day; (28) and curse, if you do not obey the commandments of your God יהוה, but turn away from the path that I enjoin upon you this day and follow other gods, whom you have not experienced. (29)

When your God יהוה brings you into the land that you are about to enter and possess, you shall pronounce the blessing at Mount Gerizim and the curse at Mount Ebal.— (30) Both are on the other side of the Jordan, beyond the west road that is in the land of the Canaanites who dwell in the Arabah—near Gilgal, by the terebinths of Moreh. (31) For you

דברים י"א:כ"ו-י"ב:כ"ח
(כו) רֵאָה אֲנֹכִי נָתַן לְפָנֶיכֶם הַיּוֹם
בְּרָכָה וּקְלָלָה: (כז) אֶת־הַבְּרָכָה
אֲשֶׁר תִּשְׁמְעוּ אֶל־מִצְוֹת יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֵיכֶם אֲשֶׁר אֲנֹכִי מְצַוֶּה אֶתְכֶם
הַיּוֹם: (כח) וְהַקְלָלָה אִם־לֹא
תִשְׁמְעוּ אֶל־מִצְוֹת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם
וְסָרְתֶם מִן־הַדֶּרֶךְ אֲשֶׁר אֲנֹכִי מְצַוֶּה
אֶתְכֶם הַיּוֹם לָלֶכֶת אַחֲרַי אֱלֹהִים
אַחֲרַיִם אֲשֶׁר לֹא־יַדְעֶתֶם: {ס} (כט)
וְהָיָה כִּי יָבִיֵאֵךְ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ
אֶל־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־אַתָּה בֹא־שָׁמָּה
לְרִשְׁתָּהּ וְנִתְּתָה אֶת־הַבְּרָכָה
עַל־הַר גְּרִזִים וְאֶת־הַקְלָלָה עַל־הַר
עֵיבָל: (ל) הֲלֹא־הָמָּה בְּעֵבֶר הַיַּרְדֵּן
אַחֲרַי דֶּרֶךְ מְבוֹא הַשָּׁמֶשׁ בְּאֶרֶץ
הַכְּנַעֲנִי הַיָּשֵׁב בְּעַרְבָה מֹל הַגִּלְגָּל
אֶצֶּל אֵלוֹנֵי מֶרֶה: (לא) כִּי אַתֶּם

are about to cross the Jordan to enter and possess the land that your God יהוה is assigning to you. When you have occupied it and are settled in it, (32) take care to observe all the laws and rules that I have set before you this day. (1) These are the laws and rules that you must carefully observe in the land that יהוה, God of your ancestors, is giving you to possess, as long as you live on earth. (2) You must destroy all the sites at which the nations you are to dispossess worshiped their gods, whether on lofty mountains and on hills or under any luxuriant tree. (3) Tear down their altars, smash their pillars, put their sacred posts to the fire, and cut down the images of their gods, obliterating their name from that site. (4) Do not worship your God יהוה in like manner, (5) but look only to the site that your God יהוה will choose amidst all your tribes as God's habitation, to establish the divine name there.

עֲבָרִים אֶת־הַיַּרְדֵּן לְבֹא לְרִשֶׁת
אֶת־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם
נָתַן לָכֶם וַיְרִשְׁתֶּם אֹתָהּ
וַיִּשְׁבְּתֶם־בָּהּ: (לב) וּשְׁמֵרְתֶם
לַעֲשׂוֹת אֵת כָּל־הַחֻקִּים
וְאֶת־הַמִּשְׁפָּטִים אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי נָתַן
לְפָנֵיכֶם הַיּוֹם: (א) אֵלֶּה הַחֻקִּים
וְהַמִּשְׁפָּטִים אֲשֶׁר תִּשְׁמְרוּן לַעֲשׂוֹת
בְּאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר נָתַן יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵי
אֲבֹתֵיךָ לָךְ לְרִשְׁתָּהּ כָּל־הַיָּמִים
אֲשֶׁר־אַתֶּם חַיִּים עַל־הָאָדָמָה: (ב)
אֲבָד תֵּאבְדוּן אֶת־כָּל־הַמְּקֹמֹת
אֲשֶׁר עֲבָדוּ־שָׁם הַגּוֹיִם אֲשֶׁר אַתֶּם
יֹרְשִׁים אַתֶּם אֶת־אֱלֹהֵיהֶם
עַל־הַהָרִים הַרְּמִים וְעַל־הַגְּבָעוֹת
וְתַחַת כָּל־עֵץ רַעֲנָן: (ג) וְנִתְּצֹתֶם
אֶת־מִזְבְּחֹתָם וּשְׁבָרְתֶם
אֶת־מִצְבְּתָם וְאֲשֵׁרִיהֶם תִּשְׂרֹפוּן
בְּאֵשׁ וּפְסִילֵי אֱלֹהֵיהֶם תִּגְדְּעוּן
וְאֲבַדְתֶּם אֶת־שְׁמֵם מִן־הַמָּקוֹם
הַהוּא: (ד) לֹא־תַעֲשׂוּן כֵּן לַיהוָה

There you are to go, (6) and there you are to bring your burnt offerings and other sacrifices, your tithes and contributions, your votive and freewill offerings, and the firstlings of your herds and flocks. (7) Together with your households, you shall feast there before your God יהוה, happy in all the undertakings in which your God יהוה has blessed you. (8) You shall not act at all as we now act here, each of us as we please, (9) because you have not yet come to the allotted haven that your God יהוה is giving you. (10) When you cross the Jordan and settle in the land that your God יהוה is allotting to you, and [God] grants you safety from all your enemies around you and you live in security, (11) then you must bring everything that I command you to the site where your God יהוה will choose to establish the divine name: your burnt offerings and other sacrifices,

אֱלֹהֵיכֶם: (ה) כִּי אִם-אֶל-הַמָּקוֹם
אֲשֶׁר-יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם
מִכָּל-שְׁבִיטֵיכֶם לָשׂוּם אֶת-שְׁמוֹ שָׁם
לְשַׁכְּנוֹ תִדְרְשׁוּ וּבָאתָ שָׁמָּה: (ו)
וְהִבֵּאתֶם שָׁמָּה עֲלֵיתִיכֶם וְזִבְחֵיכֶם
וְאֵת מַעֲשֵׂי־תִיכֶם וְאֵת תְּרוּמַת
יְדֵכֶם וְגִדְרֵיכֶם וְגִדְבַתֵיכֶם וּבְכֹרֹת
בְּקִרְכֶם וְצִאֲנֹכֶם: (ז) וְאֶכְלְתֶם-שָׁם
לִפְנֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם וְשִׂמְחֶתֶם בְּכֹל
מַשְׁלַח יְדֵכֶם אִתֶּם וּבְתִיכֶם אֲשֶׁר
בְּרַכָּהּ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיהֶּ: (ח) לֹא תַעֲשׂוּן
כְּכֹל אֲשֶׁר אָנֹחֶנוּ עֹשִׂים פֶּה הַיּוֹם
אִישׁ כָּל-הַיִּשְׂרָאֵל בְּעֵינָיו: (ט) כִּי
לֹא-בָאתֶם עַד-עֲתָה אֶל-הַמְּנוּחָה
וְאֶל-הַנַּחֲלָה אֲשֶׁר-יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיךָ
נָתַן לָךְ: (י) וְעַבְרַתֶם אֶת-הַיַּרְדֵּן
וְיִשְׁבַתֶם בְּאֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר-יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֵיכֶם מִנְחִיל אֶתְכֶם וְהִנִּיחַ לְכֶם
מִכָּל-אִיְבֵיכֶם מִסָּבִיב
וְיִשְׁבַתֶם-בְּטָח: (יא) וְהָיָה הַמָּקוֹם
אֲשֶׁר-יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם בּוֹ

your tithes and contributions, and all the choice votive offerings that you vow to (12). And you shall rejoice before your God יהוה with your sons and daughters and with your male and female slaves, along with the [family of the] Levite in your settlements, for he has no territorial allotment among you. (13) Take care not to sacrifice your burnt offerings in any place you like, (14) but only in the place that יהוה will choose in one of your tribal territories. There you shall sacrifice your burnt offerings and there you shall observe all that I enjoin upon you. (15) But whenever you desire, you may slaughter and eat meat in any of your settlements, according to the blessing that your God יהוה has granted you. The impure and the pure alike may partake of it, as of the gazelle and the deer. (16) But you must not partake of the blood; you shall pour it out on the ground like water. (17)

לְשֹׁכֵן שְׂמוֹ שָׁם שָׁמָּה תָּבִיאוּ אֵת
 כָּל־אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצִוֶּה אֶתְכֶם
 עוֹלֹתֵיכֶם וְזִבְחֵיכֶם מֵעֲשׂוֹתֵיכֶם
 וְתִרְמַת יִדְּכֶם וְכֹל מִבְּחַר גְּדֵרֵיכֶם
 אֲשֶׁר תִּדְּרוּ לַיהוָה: (יב) וּשְׂמַחְתֶּם
 לְפָנָי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם אַתֶּם וּבְנֵיכֶם
 וּבְנֹתֵיכֶם וְעַבְדֵיכֶם וְאִמֹּתֵיכֶם
 וְהַלּוּלִי אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֵיכֶם כִּי אֵין לוֹ
 חֶלֶק וְנִחְלָה אֶתְכֶם: (יג) הַשְּׂמֹר לְךָ
 פֶּן־תַּעֲלֶה עֲלֵיךָ בְּכָל־מָקוֹם אֲשֶׁר
 תִּרְאֶה: (יד) כִּי אִם־בַּמָּקוֹם
 אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה בְּאַחַד שְׁבָטֶיךָ
 שָׁם תַּעֲלֶה עֲלֵיךָ וְשָׁם תַּעֲשֶׂה כֹּל
 אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצִוֶּה: (טו) רַק
 בְּכָל־אֹת נִפְשֶׁךָ תִּזְבַּח | וְאָכַלְתָּ
 בָּשָׂר כְּבָרַכְתָּ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר
 נָתַן־לְךָ בְּכָל־שַׁעְרֶיךָ הַטָּמֵא
 וְהַטָּהוֹר יֹאכְלֶנּוּ כַּצְּבִי וְכֹאֵיל: (טז)
 רַק הַדָּם לֹא תֹאכְלוּ עַל־הָאָרֶץ
 תִּשְׁפְּכֶנּוּ כַּמַּיִם: (יז) לֹא־תוֹכֵל
 לֶאֱכֹל בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ מֵעֲשֶׂר דְּגָנְךָ

You may not partake in your settlements of the tithes of your new grain or wine or oil, or of the firstlings of your herds and flocks, or of any of the votive offerings that you vow, or of your freewill offerings, or of your contributions.

(18) These you must consume before your God יהוה in the place that your God יהוה will choose—you and your sons and your daughters, your male and female slaves, and the [family of the] Levite in your settlements—happy before your God יהוה in all your undertakings. (19) Be sure not to neglect the [family of the] Levite as long as you live in your land. (20) When יהוה enlarges your territory, as promised, and you say, “I shall eat some meat,” for you have the urge to eat meat, you may eat meat whenever you wish. (21) If the place where יהוה has chosen to establish the divine name is too far from you, you may slaughter any of the

וּתִירְשֶׁנָּה וְיִצְהָרְךָ וּבְכֹרֶת בְּקִרְךָ
וּצְאֹנְךָ וְכָל־נִדְרֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר תִּזְרָה
וְנִדְבְּתֶיךָ וְתְרוּמַת יָדְךָ: (יח) כִּי
אִם־לִפְנֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ תֹאכְלֶנּוּ
בַּמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִבְחַר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ
בּוֹ אֶתָּה וּבְנֶךָ וּבִתְךָ וְעַבְדְּךָ וְאִמְתְּךָ
וְהַלְוִי אֲשֶׁר בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ וְשִׂמְחֹת לִפְנֵי
יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכָל מִשְׁלַח יָדְךָ: (יט)
הַשָּׂמֶר לְךָ פִּוְתֵעֶזֶב אֶת־הַלְוִי
כָּל־יְמֶיךָ עַל־אֲדָמְתְּךָ: {ס} (כ)
כִּי־יִרְחִיב יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ אֶת־גְּבֻלְךָ
כַּאֲשֶׁר דִּבַּר־לְךָ וְאָמַרְתָּ אֲכַלְהָ
בְּשֶׂר כִּי־תֵאָוֶה נַפְשְׁךָ לֶאֱכֹל בְּשֶׂר
בְּכָל־אֹנוֹת נַפְשְׁךָ תֹאכַל בְּשֶׂר: (כא)
כִּי־יִרְחַק מִמֶּךָ הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר יִבְחַר
יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְשׁוּם שְׁמוֹ שָׁם
וְזָבַחְתָּ מִבְּקִרְךָ וּמִצְאֹנְךָ אֲשֶׁר נָתַן
יְהוָה לְךָ כַּאֲשֶׁר צִוִּיתְךָ וְאָכַלְתָּ
בְּשַׁעְרֶיךָ בְּכָל אֹנוֹת נַפְשְׁךָ: (כב) אִךְ
כַּאֲשֶׁר יֹאכַל אֶת־הַצֶּבִי וְאֶת־הָאֵיל
כֵּן תֹאכְלֶנּוּ הַטָּמֵא וְהַטְּהוֹר יַחְדָּו

cattle or sheep that יהוה gives you, as I have instructed you; and you may eat to your heart's content in your settlements. (22) Eat it, however, as the gazelle and the deer are eaten: the impure may eat it together with the pure. (23) But make sure that you do not partake of the blood; for the blood is the life, and you must not consume the life with the flesh. (24) You must not partake of it; you must pour it out on the ground like water: (25) you must not partake of it, in order that it may go well with you and with your descendants to come, for you will be doing what is right in the sight of יהוה. (26) But such sacred and votive donations as you may have shall be taken by you to the site that יהוה will choose. (27) You shall offer your burnt offerings, both the flesh and the blood, on the altar of your God יהוה; and of your other sacrifices, the blood shall be poured out on the altar of your

יֹאכְלֶנּוּ: (כג) רַק חֲזֹק לְבַלְתִּי אֲכַל
הַדָּם כִּי הַדָּם הוּא הַנֶּפֶשׁ
וְלֹא־תֹאכַל הַנֶּפֶשׁ עִם־הַבָּשָׂר: (כד)
לֹא תֹאכְלֶנּוּ עַל־הָאָרֶץ תִּשְׁפְּכֶנּוּ
כַּמַּיִם: (כה) לֹא תֹאכְלֶנּוּ לְמַעַן
יִיטֵב לָךְ וּלְבִנְיֶיךָ אַחֲרֶיךָ כִּי־תַעֲשֶׂה
הַיֵּשֶׁר בְּעֵינֵי יְהוָה: (כו) רַק קִדְּשִׁיךָ
אֲשֶׁר־יְהִיו לָךְ וּנְדָרֶיךָ תִּשָּׂא וּבָאת
אֶל־הַמָּקוֹם אֲשֶׁר־יִבְחַר יְהוָה: (כז)
וְעָשִׂיתָ עֲלֵתֶיךָ הַבָּשָׂר וְהַדָּם
עַל־מִזְבֵּחַ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ וְדַם־זִבְחֶיךָ
יִשְׁפֹךְ עַל־מִזְבֵּחַ יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ
וְהַבָּשָׂר תֹּאכַל: (כח) שָׁמֶר וְשָׁמַעְתָּ
אֵת כָּל־הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי
מְצַוְנֶךָ לְמַעַן יִיטֵב לָךְ וּלְבִנְיֶיךָ
אַחֲרֶיךָ עַד־עוֹלָם כִּי תַעֲשֶׂה הַטּוֹב
וְהַיֵּשֶׁר בְּעֵינֵי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ: {ס}

God יהוה, and you shall eat the
flesh. (28) Be careful to heed all
these commandments that I enjoin
upon you; thus it will go well with
you and with your descendants
after you forever, for you will be
doing what is good and right in the
sight of your God יהוה.