**2024 Parashah Reading #18 Name: Mishpatim Torah Reading: Shemot 21:1-24:18**

 **Haftarah Reading: Yeshayahu 66:1-24 Gospel Reading: Mark 9:40-50**

**Torah Portion, Outline and Questions for Discussion Shemot 21:1-24:18**

**Chapter 21:1- 32 “Instructions About Slaves” Chapter 21:33-22:15** “**Instructions About Restitution”**

**Chapter 22:16-23:9 “Instructions About Social Justice” Chapter 23:10-19** “**Instructions About the Sabbath and Festivals”**

**Chapter 23:20-33 “Conquest of Canaan Promised” Chapter 24:1-18 “The Covenant Confirmed”**

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**Questions for Discussion**

1. In Chapter 21 we read of right rulings covering a multitude of subjects.
2. What is the overall point or guiding principle of these rulings by YHWH?
3. What does YHWH teach you about Himself when you read this section?
4. How does that affect you today?
5. In verses 21-23 we read the “eye for an eye” principle that seems so harsh. We have a lot of new people who were not present last year, so of those who were here, who can mention what we discussed about this last year?
6. Regarding Chapter 22, we again read a lot of right rulings covering a multitude of subjects.
7. What would wrong rulings look like?
8. Why would we want to commit right rulings and not wrong rulings? Please explain your answer.
9. Why do you think the Israelites were given so many right rulings to live and govern by?
10. Chapter 23 explains how YHWH will have the Israelites conquer the land. What stands out to you here, and how can you apply these to your life today?
11. In Chapter 24 we read of the covenant being confirmed.
12. What is this covenant?
13. Who is it with?
14. Why does it need to be confirmed?

**Haftarah and Gospel Portions, Outlines and Questions for Discussion**

**Haftarah Parashah Yeshayahu 66:1-24**

**Chapter 66:1-6 “The Humble and Contrite in Spirit” Chapter 66:7–14 “Rejoice with Jerusalem”**

**Chapter 66:15-24 “Final Judgment and Glory of YHWH”**

**Questions for Discussion**

 Chapter 66 is the final message to Israel YHWH gives the prophet Yeshayahu, completing the prophet’s amazing and long career.

1. Discuss what YHWH is looking for in verse two and its place in your life.
2. Regarding verses three and four, discuss what YHWH describes as wrong and His reaction to it, keeping in mind its relevancy to us today.
3. Regarding verses seven through fourteen, has this happened yet, or is it a future event?
4. The section “Final Judgment and Glory of YHWH” is pretty amazing. Name some of the things that stand out to you and why.

**Gospel Parashah Mark 9:40-50**

**Chapter 9:40-41 “Anyone Not Against Us Is for Us” cont. Chapter 9:42-50 “Temptations to Sin”**

**Questions for Discussion**

Mark records in this section some very remarkable mature statements that prompt me to seriously meditate on.

1. How do these statements affect your life today?
2. It is interesting that Yeshua talks about the hand, foot and eye to illustrate one of his points. Is that happenstance, or does it have some significance?
3. Verse 49 reads, “For everyone shall be seasoned with fire, and every offering shall be seasoned with salt.” (TS2009) Discuss what Yeshua means by this statement and how we apply this when there is currently no temple.

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