**2024 Parashah Reading #22 Name: Vayak’Hel Torah Reading: Shemot (Exodus) 35:1-38:20**

 **Haftarah Reading: 2 Melachim (Kings) 12:1-17 Gospel Reading: Mattithyahu (Matthew) 17:22-27**

**Torah Portion, Outline and Questions for Discussion Shemot 35:1-38:20**

**Chapter 35:1-3** **“Sabbath Regulations” Chapter 35:4-29** “**Contributions for the Tabernacle”**

**Chapter 35:30-36:38** “**Construction of the Tabernacle” Chapter 37:1-9** “**Making the Ark”**

**Chapter 37:10-16 “Making the Table” Chapter 37:17-24 “Making the Lampstand”**

**Chapter 37:25-29 “Making the Altar of Incense” Chapter 38:1-7 “Making the Altar of Burnt Offering”**

**Chapter 38:8 “Making the Bronze Basin” Chapter 38:9-20 “Making the Court”**

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**Questions for Discussion**

1. What are the roles of the tabernacle furniture listed in chapters 37-38 in YHWH’s plan of salvation?
2. Regarding the section describing the contributions for the tabernacle, what stands out to you and why?
3. **Scholar Word Study**-In 37:1-9, we read of cherubs.
4. Discuss this word’s meaning.
5. Discuss why you think YHWH had cherubs on the ark.
6. Give examples in Scripture of cherubs.
7. Who is the most infamous cherub in Scripture?

**SCHOLAR REVIEW SECTION**

1. In Chapter 39 we read very detailed instructions for making the priestly garments. Please share what stands out to you and why.
2. In Chapter 40 we read the final chapter of the book of Shemot (Exodus).
3. Do you notice a pattern in the tabernacle process? If so, is there a purpose for this?
4. What is the culmination of the whole process of the making of priestly garments, the tabernacle and its furniture and sanctifying them all?
5. How does this relate to us today?

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

**Haftarah Parashah 2 Melachim 12:1-17**

**Chapter 12:1-3 “Jehoash Reigns in Judah” cont. Chapter 12:4-17 “Jehoash Repairs the Temple”**

**Questions for Discussion**

1. Regarding Jehoash’s reign in Judah, tell us in your own words how he came to be a king at only seven years old.
2. Jehoash’s reign seems to be a mix of good news and bad news. Give examples of both and why they are good or bad in light of YHWH’s

commands to rule His land.

1. In the account of Jehoash repairing the Temple, there are a myriad of details and decisions. Which stands out to you and why
2. Why do you believe this account is paired with this week’s Torah Parashah?
3. There is a qualifier about Jehoash doing right in the sight of YHWH. What is the qualifier, and what might this mean in regard to Jehoida’s and

Jehoash’s characters and the inner workings of the kingdom?

1. How would allowing the high places to remain affect Judah?
2. How do you think YHWH perceived Jehoash’s actions in giving the temple furnishings to Hazael? Is there anything in this passage that backs

up your viewpoint?

**Gospel Parashah Mattithyahu 17:22-27**

**Chapter 17:22-23 “Yeshua Again Foretells His Death and Resurrection” Chapter 17:24-27 “The Temple Tax”**

**Questions for Discussion**

1. We read in verses 22-23 that Yeshua again foretells His death and resurrection.
2. Identify the two other times in the Gospels Yeshua foretells these events.
3. Why were the disciples distressed (v. 23)?
4. What were the disciples’ reactions in the other two instances?
5. In verses 24-27 we read the curious story of the temple tax. Why did Yeshua answer the way He did in regard to the tax?
6. Where is this half shekel tax issued in the Torah, and why was it done?

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