

|12| And Manoach said, Now let thy devar come to pass. How shall be the mishpat hana'ar (proper treatment of the child), and his ma'aseh (work, [life's] work)?

|13| And the Malach Hashem said unto Manoach, Of all that I said unto the isha let her be shomer (beware, guard, keep watch over).

|14| She may not eat of any thing that cometh of the gefen, neither let her drink yayin or shekhar, nor eat any tumah; all that I commanded her let her be shomer to do.

|15| And Manoach said unto the Malach Hashem, Now, let us detain thee, until we shall have made ready a young goat for thee.

|16| And the Malach Hashem said unto Manoach, Though thou detain me, I will not eat of thy lechem; and if thou wilt offer an olah (burnt offering), thou must offer it unto Hashem. For Manoach knew not that he was Malach Hashem.

|17| And Manoach said unto Malach Hashem, Mi shmehchah? That when thy devar come to pass we may do thee honor?

|18| And the Malach Hashem said unto him, Why askest thou thus after my shem, seeing it is FELI (supremely wonderful [see *Isa 9:5(6); Ex 15:11*])?

|19| So Manoach took a young goat with a minchah, and offered it upon the tzur unto Hashem; and wonderously did He act; and Manoach and his wife looked on.

|20| For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward Shomayim from off the Mizbe'ach, that the Malach Hashem ascended in the flame of the Mizbe'ach. And Manoach and his wife looked on, and fell on their faces to the ground [*cf Ac 1:9*].

|21| But the Malach Hashem did no more appear to Manoach and to his isha.

Then Manoach knew that He was the Malach Hashem.

|22| And Manoach said unto his isha, We shall surely die, because we have seen Elohim.

|23| But his isha said unto him, If Hashem were pleased to kill us, He would not have received an olah (burnt offering) and a minchah from yadenu (our hands), neither would He have showed us all these things, nor at this time would have told us such things as these.

|24| And the isha bore ben, and called shmo Shimshon; and the na'ar grew, and Hashem blessed him.

|25| And the Ruach Hashem began to impel him at times in Machaneh Dan between Tzorah and Eshtaol.

14 And Shimshon went down to Timnah, and saw an isha in Timnah of the banot Pelishtim (Philistines).

|2| And he came up, and told his av and his em, and said, I have seen an isha in Timnah of the banot Pelishtim; now therefore get her for me as isha.

|3| Then his av and his em said unto him, Is there not among the banot of thy achim, or among kol Ami (all my people) an isha, that thou goest to take an isha of the Pelishtim haArelim?

And Shimshon said unto his av, Get her for me; for she is yashrah (right) in my eyes.

|4| But his av and his em knew not that this was from Hashem, for He sought an occasion against the Pelishtim; for at that time the Pelishtim had dominion over Yisroel.

|5| Then went Shimshon down, and his av and his em, to Timnah, and came to the

kramim (vineyards) of Timnah; and, hinei, a young lion roared against him.

|6| And the Ruach Hashem came mightily upon him, and he tore him as he would have torn a young goat, and he had nothing in his yad; but he told not his av or his em what he had done.

|7| And he went down, and talked with the isha; and she was right in the eyes of Shimshon [*cf Prov 16:25*].

|8| And after a time he returned to take her [in marriage], and he turned aside to look at the carcass of the lion; and, hinei, there was a swarm of bees and devash in the geviyah of the lion.

|9| And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating, and came to his av and em, and he gave them, and they did eat; but he told not them that he had taken the devash out of the geviyah of the lion.

|10| So his av went down unto the isha; and Shimshon made there a mishteh; for so used the bocherim to do.

|11| And it came to pass, when they saw him, that they brought shloshim companions to be with him.

|12| And Shimshon said unto them, I will now put forth a khidah (riddle) unto you; if ye can certainly declare it to me within the shivat yemei hamishteh, and find it out, then I will give you shloshim linen garments and shloshim sets of begadim;

|13| But if ye cannot declare it to me, then shall ye give me shloshim linen garments and shloshim begadim. And they said unto him, Put forth thy khidah, that we may hear it.

|14| And he said unto them, Out of the eater came forth the edible, and out of the oz (strong) came forth matok (sweetness). And they could not in