

and was giving to the talmidim to set before the multitude.

|17| And they ate and all were satisfied, and they picked up shirayim, shneyim asar baskets full.

|18| And it came about while he was davening alone, with only his talmidim with him, he questioned them, saying, Whom do the multitudes declare me to be?

|19| And in reply they said, Yochanan of the tevilah of teshuva; but others, Eliyahu Hanavi; and others, that a certain navi of the ancients has come back to life.

|20| And he said to them, And you, who do you declare me to be? And in reply, Kefa said, The Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach of Hashem.

|21| And having warned them, he gave orders to tell no one this,

|22| Saying, It is necessary for the Ben HaAdam [*Moshiach*, DANIEL 7:13-

14] to suffer much and to be rejected by the Ziknei HaAm and Rashei Hakohanim and Sofrim and to be killed, and after his histalkus (passing), on Yom HaShelishi to undergo the Techiyas HaMoshiach.

|23| And Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach was saying to all, If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and lift up his etz shel hakarav atzmo yom yom and let him follow me.

|24| For whoever wishes to save his nefesh will lose it. But whoever loses his nefesh on my account will save it.

|25| For what is the revach (profit) to a ben Adam who has gained the whole of the Olam Hazeh, but has lost his own self, forfeited his neshamah?

|26| For whoever has bushah (shame) toward me and my

dvarim, this one the Ben HaAdam (*Moshiach*, DANIEL 7:13-14) will be ashamed of, when Moshiach comes in his Kavod and the Kavod of HaAv of him and of the malachim hakedoshim (holy angels).

|27| But I say to you, Omein, there are some standing here who will by no means taste mavet until they see the Malchut Hashem.

|28| And it came to pass, about a week after these divrei Moshiach, that when he had taken Kefa and Yochanan and Yaakov, Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach went up to the har to daven.

|29| And it came about that while Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach davens, the appearance of his face became different and his kaftan and all his clothing became dazzling white.

|30| And two men were conversing with Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach, and these two men were Moshe Rabbeinu and Eliyahu HaNavi,

|31| Who appeared in kavod and were speaking of Moshiach's Litziat Exodus, which he was about to fulfill in Yerushalayim.

|32| But Kefa and the ones with him had been weighed down with sleep. And having awakened fully, they saw his kavod and the two men standing with him.

|33| And it came about, just as the men departed from Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach, Kefa said, Adoni, it is good for us to be here; let us make shalosh sukkot, one for you and one for Moshe Rabbeinu and one for Eliyahu HaNavi. (Kefa did not know what he was saying.)

|34| And while Kefa was saying these things, an anan (cloud) came and was overshadowing them, and while they entered into the

anan they were afraid.

|35| And a bat kol came from the anan (cloud), saying ZEH BENI BECHIRI, ELAV TISHMAUN (This is my Son the Chosen One, listen to him. [YESHAYAH 42:1; TEHILLIM 2:7]

|36| When the bat kol became silent, Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach was found alone. And they were silent, and reported to no one in those yamim anything of what they had seen.

|37| And it came about on the following day, when they had descended from the har (mountain), a large throng met Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach.

|38| And an ish from the multitude cried out, saying, Rabbi, I beg you to look at beni (my son), for to me he is a ben yachid (only son),

|39| And a shed seizes him and suddenly shrieking and lets out a shrai and throws the bocher into a convulsion with foam at the mouth and it mauls him and will scarcely depart from him.

|40| And I begged your talmidim that they might cast out the shed, and they were not able.

|41| And in reply, Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach said, O perverse dor (generation) without emunah, until when will I be with you, and until when will I put up with you? Bring your ben here.

[DEVARIM 32:5]

|42| Even now as the bocher was approaching Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach, the shed threw him down and convulsed him. But Rebbe Melech HaMoshiach rebuked the shed (the ruach hatumah) and gave refuah to the bocher, and gave him back to his abba.

|43| And all were amazed at the gedulat Hashem.