

Parashat Pinchas - פִּינְחָס

"Phinehas"

(mouth of brass)

Torah portion:

Numbers 25:10 - 30:1

Haftarah portion:

1 Kings 18:46 - 19:21

Brit Chadashah/New Testament portion:

Romans 11:2-32

We often read surrounding N.T. scripture because it is such a blessing to do so.

This week we of course again read all of Romans ch. 11.

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Last week's Parashah, Balak, had **a good bit about Phinehas**.

**Numbers 25:10** And **Jehovah** spake unto Moses, saying,  
11 **Phinehas, the son of Eleazar**, the son of Aaron the priest, hath **turned my wrath** away from the children of Israel, in that **he was jealous with my jealousy** [אֶת־קִנְאָתִי בְקִנְאוֹ] among them, so that I consumed not the children of Israel in **my jealousy** [בְּקִנְאָתִי].  
12 Wherefore say, Behold, **I give unto him my covenant of peace**:

**See John Parson's commentary on the broken Vav - @The Gospel of Pinchas:**

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13 and it shall be unto him, and to his seed after him, **the covenant of an everlasting priesthood**; because **he was jealous** [קִנְאָ] **for his God**, and **made atonement** [כִּפָּר] kappār] **for the children of Israel**.

קִנְאָ qana' - kä·nä' --to envy, be jealous, be envious, be **zealous**

**Romans 8:1** "So (there-is) now not-one condemnation's-punishment to-the (ones) in Messiah Jesus." -

**Romans 8:2** "For **the law of-the spirit of-the life in Messiah Jesus** made me free from the law of the sin and of-the death."

Yeshua is our Propitiatory.

The **zeal** of YHVH of Hosts does this:

**Isaiah 9:6** For unto us a child is born, unto us \*a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**John 3:16** For thus the God cherished the world so-that \*he-gave his son, namely-the only-begotten, in-order-that every-(one) the (one) trusting with-reference-to him might not perish, BUT he-might-be-having life eternal.v17 For the God dispatched not his son into the world in-order-that he-might-be-judging the world, BUT in-order-that the world might-be-saved through him.

**Isaiah 9:7** Of the increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from henceforth even for ever. The zeal [קִנְיָהּ *qin'ah* H7068] of Jehovah of hosts will perform this.

The Zeal of YHVH Jesus does this:

**John 2:13** And the passover of-the Jews was near, and **the Jesus** ascended into Jerusalem.

v14 And he-found in the temple the (ones) offering for-sale oxen and sheep and doves, and the coin-changers sitting;

v15 And having-made (a) lash out-of ropes he-cast-out all out-of the temple, both the sheep and the oxen; and he-poured-out the coin of-the money-changers and he-turned-about the tables.

v16 And to-the (ones) offering the doves for-sale he-said, YOU-remove these-(things) hence; YOU-be not making **the home of-my Father** (a) home of-merchandise.

v17 But his disciples were-made-mindful that it-is having-been-written-and-is-still-written, **The zeal of-your home devoured me.**

**Psalms 69:9a** For the zeal [קִנְיָהּ *qinat*, LXX: ζήλος *-zālos*] of **thy house** hath eaten **me** up;

9b And the reproaches of them that reproach thee are fallen upon me.

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This week, Romans 11:31 jumps out:

**Romans 11:31** Thus these also now disobeyed in-order-that by **your mercy** they themselves also might now have-mercy-bestowed.

**Romans 11:29** For **the bestowed-favors** and the calling of-the God (are) unregrettable.

v30 For as-altogether **YOU yourselves** at-one-time **disobeyed** the God, but now **YOU-had-mercy-bestowed** in-the disobedience of-these.

v31 **Thus these also now disobeyed in-order-that by your mercy they themselves also might now have-mercy-bestowed.**

v32 For the God shut-together all the (ones) with-reference-to **disobedience** in-order-that he-might-have-mercy (on) all the (ones).

That is a difficult passage. And the Holy Spirit knows that it is difficult, and consoles us:

v33 **O depth of-God's riches and wisdom and knowledge; as unsearchable his sentences and untraceable his ways.**

v34 **For who came-to-know (the) mind of Jehovah? Or who became his fellow-counsellor?**

v35 **Or who gave-before to-him, and it-will-be-repaid to-him?**

v36 Because out-of him and through him and with-reference-to him (are) the all-things; to-him (be) the glory with-reference-to the ages: **Amen.**

We (those that trust in Jesus) are to show mercy to Jews that are blinded by God (part of His mercy to us) to the truth of John 10:30 "I and the Father are ONE". How can Mercy be given through our showing our mercy? What mercy???

Bring to mind **Matthew 5:7** - Happy the (ones) merciful; because they themselves-will-have-mercy-bestowed.

Perhaps Ephesians 5 helps understand this:

**Ephesians 5:30** Because we are members of his body.

v31 Instead-of this (a) MAN shall-leave-behind the father and the mother and he-shall-be-very-united to his wife and the two shall-be with-reference-to flesh, one.

v32 This mystery is great, but I-myself am-saying with-reference-to Messiah and with-reference-to the assembly.

Without vanity, we might see loving our neighbor as God's zeal working through us in (the body of) Messiah, to YHVH be the Glory.

**1 John 3:23** And this is his commandment, in-order-that we-might-trust in-the name of-his son Jesus Messiah **and** we-might-be-cherishing one-another according-as he-gave commandment to-us.

**Understand that Yeshua(Jesus) IS YHVH:**

**John 10:30** I and the father are one.

v24 And the (one) keeping his commandments is-remaining in him and he in him; and in this we-are-coming-to-know that he-is-remaining in us, out-of the Spirit which he-gave to-us.

**Mark 12:29** But the Jesus answered him, That **first-of-all of-the commandments**, (is) **you-be-hearing, Israel, Jehovah our God Jehovah is one.**

**Mark12:30** And you-will-cherish Jehovah your God out-of your total heart and out-of your total soul and out-of your total intellect and out-of your total strength. This (is the) first commandment.

**Exodus 20:1** And God spake all these words, saying,

2 **I am Jehovah thy God**, who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

3 **Thou shalt have no other gods** before me.

4 **Thou shalt not make unto thee a graven image**, nor any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

5 **Thou shalt not bow down thyself unto them**, nor serve them, for **I Jehovah**

**thy God am a jealous** [כַּיָּוֵן] **God**, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, upon the third and upon the fourth generation of them that hate me,

6 **and showing lovingkindness unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.**

Note here the severity: "unto thousands" of YHVH's lovingkindness. Not everyone responds to God's love...

**Mark 12:31** And (the) like second (is) this: **You-will-cherish your neighbor as yourself. Another commandment greater-of-these is not.**

**Leviticus 19:18** Thou shalt not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people; but **thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself: I am Jehovah.**

**Leviticus 19:33** And if a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not do him wrong.

34 The **stranger** [הַגֵּר] that sojourneth [הִגֵּר] with you shall be unto you as the home-born [כְּאֶזְרָח - "native"] among you, and **thou shalt love him as thyself** [כְּמִוְדוֹ]; for ye were sojourners [גֵּרִים] in the land of Egypt: I am Jehovah your God.

Note: I *think* the correct corresponding Hebrew is indicated here.

## Who is my neighbor?

**Luke 10:29** But the-(one) willing to-be-justifying himself said to the Jesus, **And who is my neighbor?**

v30 But having-taken (it) up **the Jesus said**, (A) certain MAN was-descending from Jerusalem into Jericho, and he-fell-into robbers, who also having-stripped him and having-put-upon (him) blows went-away, having-let (him) go **reaching half-dead.**

v31 But according-to (a) coincidence **(a) certain priest** was-descending in that way and having-seen him he-went-by-on-the-other-side;

v32 But likewise also **(a) Levite**, having-come-to-be according-to the place, having-come and having-seen he-went-by-on-the-other-side.

v33 But (a) certain traveling Samaritan came according-to him, and having-seen him he-was-moved-with-compassion,

v34 And having-come-near he-bound-down his wounds, pouring-on oil and wine; but having-mounted him upon (his) own animal he-led him into (an) inn, and he-cared-for him.

v35 And upon the morrow having-come-out having-cast-out two denarii he-gave (them) to-the innkeeper, and he-said to-him, You-care-for him, and whatsoever something you-might-spend-in-addition, I myself-shall-give-back to-you with my to-be-coming-back.

v36 Therefore **which of these three is-seeming to-you to-have-become neighbor** of-the-(one) having-fallen-in into the robbers?

v37 But the-(one) said, **The-(one) having-done the mercy with him.** **The Jesus** therefore **said** to-him, **You-be-proceeding, and you yourself-be-doing likewise.**

Remember that Mercy is from God:

**Romans 9:15** For to-the Moses he-is saying: **I-shall-have-mercy-on whomever I-might-be-having-mercy, and I-shall-pity whomever I-might-be-pitying.** [Ex. 32:19]

(Luke 10:29-37). *Who is your neighbor? -- You are!*

well...yes, but - @Lev. 19:34 "the stranger that sojourneth WITH YOU..." - I'm missing the obvious inclusiveness of -everyone- at large in the world.

If God loved everyone, sure, then everyone is our neighbor. But we read "AS MANY as I love" (Rev.3:19) and note that "as many" = "not all". Remembering here "Many are called, few are chosen." And "...the wicked and him that loveth violence his soul hateth"(Ps.11:5). God doesn't love everyone - and so, *as members of the body of Messiah* - Christians shouldn't either (1Cor.3:16).

At Lu.10:37 "he that showed mercy" is our neighbor, and yes I understand that we are to be that neighbor, however there is a story/parable told here and a commandment also. The commandment (Lu.10:27) says to love God, and love your neighbor as your self (Luke.10:27). The story/parable answers the followup question to the commandment "Who is my neighbor?" (vs29) with "he that showed mercy". THEN Jesus says "Go, and do thou likewise"(vs37). "Go and do thou likewise" does not define/answer "Who is my neighbor?"; but rather "Go and do thou likewise" is a restatement of "Love your neighbor as yourself". We don't know the hearts of men but by "doing likewise" i.e. by being "**The-(one) having-done the mercy with him**" we become the neighbor. The "neighbor" in Luke 10 may be seen as Jesus...

We are told to be holy...

**1 Peter 1:15** BUT according-to the holy-(one) having-called YOU also YOU yourselves **become holy in all conduct,**

v16 For-the-reason-that it-has-been-written-and-is-still-written: **YOU-shall-be holy because I (am) holy.** (Lev.11:44; 19:2; 20:26)

**1Corinthians 3:16** Are-YOU not knowing-absolutely that YOU-are (the) sanctuary of-God and the Spirit of-the God is-dwelling in YOU?

The Mercy - cherishing the neighbor - coming "from you" originates in Jehovah Jesus, because God loved us first:

**1 John 4:19** We ourselves-are-cherishing, because he himself first cherished us.

**John 3:16** For thus the God cherished the world so-that he-gave his son, namely-the only-begotten, in-order-that every-(one) the (one) trusting with-reference-to him might not perish, BUT he-might-be-having life eternal.

**God loved first. Note especially that "cherished" is past tense.**

**John 3:21** But the (one) doing the truth is-coming to the light, in-order-that his works might-be-manifested that (they-are) having-been-worked in God.

**John 6:29** " The Jesus answered and said to-them, This is the work of-the God, in-order-that you-might-**trust** with-reference-to whom that (one) dispatched."

**Our Trust is our work.**

Understand this *also* as that **the trust is from God**...our trust is the manifestation of **God working** in us...we don't even merit "credit" for our trust, which while it is our work, **it is only from God's work of love to us first that we are permitted to trust**

...and this is the Love of God - that He loved us first...To Him is ALL the Glory...

**Again:** The work of God is that He loved us first so that we might love and so it is only in HIS love to us that our trust and love are allowed.

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This week's portions are packed full of noteworthy things. I can't begin to scratch the surface:

Numbers 19:12 A still, small voice.

Numbers 19:18 – There's always a remnant of the chosen.

Numbers 26:10 – Korah & company died.

Numbers 26:11 – The sons of Korah died not.

Numbers 27:6 – God changes the Mosaic Law of Levite marriage.

Numbers 29:1-6 – Yom Teruah is not Rosh Hashanah. The 7<sup>th</sup> month is not the start of the new year.

Numbers 28 → offerings.

And Romans 11 is again a blessing.

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and compare these scriptures:

Romans 9,10,11

Ephesians ch. 2 & 5

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