# Parshah Insights 2021

# Parshah: Shoftim

(Deuteronomy 16:18 – 21:9)

# אלול

אני לדודי ודודי לי

"I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine."

(Song of Songs 6:3)

### The Prophet Like Moses

(18:15-18)

#### John 4:25

The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming (He who is called Christ); when that One comes, He will declare all things to us." Yeshua said to her, "I who speak to you am He."

#### John 12:49

"For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me commandment, what to say, and what to speak."

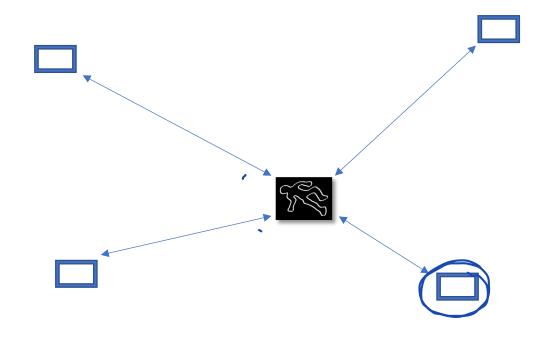
#### John 17:8

"For I have given them the words that You gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from You; and they have believed that You sent Me."

John 1:19-23

### The Unsolved Murder

(21:1-9)



The Heifer: Never worked & Not worn a yoke

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The Valley: Can't be worked & Can't be sown

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The Elders: Innocent hands & Eyes did not see

Unfulfilled Potential

The Red Heifer Num. 19 Addresses <u>Impuri</u>

The Goat for Azazel Addresses

The Firstborn Donkey Addresses Failure EX. 13

# What "corpse prevention" measures can we take?

#### The TORAH Way The FAMILIAR Way vs.

To pray "the prayer" vs. To pray

To save from HELL vs. To rescue from SIN

To adopt my theology vs. To meet my *Theos* 

To cross a line vs. To draw near the Light

To lead them to the Lord vs. To accompany them to the Kingdom

To get them into church vs. To get them to be the church

## **Our Prayer:**

"Who needs me?

"Send me someone to whom I can be a friend.

"Not the one who most needs God, but the one who most needs *me*.

"Draw someone to my light.

"Send me someone who is ready for truth.

"Send me someone with a similar soul.

"Send me someone who needs my strength.

"Send me someone who will see You in *my* imperfect life."

"Father, You have prepared me for this and I am ready to serve You by serving the one you send me."

### **Discussion Questions:**

- This month Elul is the last month of the year.
  What are you doing this month to prepare yourself for Rosh Hashanah a new beginning?
- We often think of Messiah as Priest and King, but how does He fulfill the roll of Prophet?
- What insights do you have concerning Deut. 21:19? How can you apply them to your own life?
- What failures in your own life is it not too late to remedy?
- Take time to review the "Torah Way" of sharing the gospel. Silently meditate on the prayer

#### **NOTES:**

Psalm 62:11 One thing has God spoken, two things have I heard...

**John 1:19-23** And this is the testimony of John, when the Judeans sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed, and did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" And he answered, "No." So they said to him, "Who are you? We need to give an answer to those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said."

**Deuteronomy 4:5-8** "See, I have taught you statutes and rules, as Adonai my God commanded me, that you should do them in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as Adonai our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this Torah that I set before you today?"

**Numbers 19:2** "This is the statute of the Torah that Adonai has commanded: Tell the people of Israel to bring you a <u>red</u> heifer without defect, in which there is no blemish, and on which a yoke has never come.

**Leviticus 16:21-22** And Aaron shall lay both his hands on the head of <u>the live goat</u>, and confess over it all the iniquities of the people of Israel, and all their transgressions, all their sins. And he shall put them on the head of the goat and send it away into the wilderness by the hand of a man who is in readiness. The goat shall bear all their iniquities on itself to a remote area, and he shall let the goat go free in the wilderness.

**Exodus 13:13** Every <u>firstborn of a donkey</u> you shall redeem with a lamb, or if you will not redeem it you shall break its neck. Every firstborn of man among your sons you shall redeem. (+ 34:20)