

## “Statute”

Then Israel sang this song,  
 “Spring up, O well! Sing about it!” Numbers 21:17



One thing we know when we read this parsha is that there is so much we don't know. We are to trust not in our own understanding, but in all things trust and obey in the LORD. We read about the Statute (*Chukat*) of the Red Heifer, its ritual for purification, the deaths of Miriam and Aaron, and about Moses being told he would not be entering the Promised Land— We know he hit the rock to get water, and yet we don't know a lot as well!

As intercessors praying for our families, we find an amazing family of intercessors in Miriam, Aaron and Moses. All whose lives draw to a close or near to a close in this parsha that centers around water. Reflect how Miriam interceded for her brother Moses. She watched and prayed when he was sent off as a baby in a basket in the river. She danced for the LORD's victory after the parting of the Red Sea. Moses interceded for Miriam and Aaron when they spoke badly of him. Aaron the High Priest interceded for all of the Children of Israel in the Holy of Holies. Moses constantly interceded as He spoke directly to God.

May we never forget all the miracles God has done for all who journeyed before us, for us, and generations to come. From the breath of life He gives us each day, to the streams of Living Water He pours out through Messiah Yeshua for all who are thirsty, we give thanks to Him for all things. He is our healer and reminds us of the bronze snake lifted up in the wilderness (Numbers 21:7~9, John 3:14), which pointed to how the Son of Man would be lifted up for all who believe to have Eternal Life. Let's intercede in faith for all our loved ones and brothers and sisters. With joy may we drink from the wells of Salvation!

*Praise*

I love you, O LORD, my strength!  
 The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, My God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; My shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Psalm 18:1~2

Whoever drinks of the water that I will give him shall never be thirsty. The water that I give him will become a fountain of water within him, springing up to eternal life!

John 4:14

O come, let us sing for joy to ADONAI. Let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

Psalm 95:1

From the end of the earth I call to You when my heart is faint. Lead me to the rock that is higher than I. For You have been a refuge for me, a tower of strength before the enemy.

Psalm 61:3~4

*Confession*

Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Psalm 51:10 (12)

*Thanksgiving*

With joy we give thanks to the Father, who qualified you to share in the inheritance of the *kedoshim* in the light. Colossians 1:11~12

## Intercession

We ask God that ..... be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding—to walk in a manner worthy of the LORD, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God. With joy

Colossians 1:9~10

May ..... be strengthened with all the power that comes from His glorious might, for ..... to have all kinds of patience and steadfastness. With joy we give thanks to the Father, who qualified ..... to share in the inheritance of the *kedoshim* in the light. He rescued ..... from the domain of darkness and brought ..... into the kingdom of the Son whom He loves. In Him ..... has redemption —the release of sins.

Colossians 1:11~14

As for my son/daughter ..... give him/her a whole heart to keep your *mitzvot*, Your decrees and Your statutes, and to fulfill them all. 1Chronicles 29:19 (from King David's prayer to his Son Solomon)

Be a rock of refuge for ....., a stronghold for .....’s deliverance. May you be .....’s rock and his/her fortress. May you lead ..... and guide ..... for Your Name’s sake.

Psalms 31:4



## Teachers

Sing to the LORD, for He has done glorious things; Let this be known to all the world. Isaiah 12:5

## Schools

With joy will you draw water from the wells of salvation.

Isaiah 12:3

## Congregation

Loved ones, now we are God’s children; and it has not yet been revealed what we will be. But we do know that when it’s revealed, we shall be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

1John 3:2~3

## Israel

Of David. To You, ADONAI, I call—my Rock, do not be deaf to me. {...} ADONAI is their strength—a stronghold of salvation for His anointed. Save your people, bless Your inheritance, shepherd them and carry them forever.

Psalms 28:1a, 8~9

And now these three remain: faith, hope, and love. But the greatest of these is love.

1Corinthians 13:13

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem—May those who love you be at peace!

Psalms 122:6

*prayer sheet note: see Psalm 2:7 for reference to “Chuk”, Let me tell of the decree...*

## Blessing to go

My heart exults in ADONAI, my horn is lifted high in ADONAI. I smile wide over my enemies, for I rejoice in Your salvation. There is none holy as ADONAI, for there is none besides You, nor is there any rock like our God. 1Samuel 2:1~2 from Hannah’s prayer