

The Torah Times Weekly

47 - D'varim

Deut 11:26 -16:17

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Join Mrs. Noah, Hannah, and many of their friends as they use their imaginations to explore the Torah and the awesome stories and lessons waiting to be found.

Part 1 Mrs. Noah's Place

Continued from last week: "Wait!" Moogy shouted. "Look what it says in verse 16!" [Deut 11]

OK. Let's back up a little. Mrs. Noah had been telling Hannah, Max, Zak, and the gang, a story to help them see WHY Abba YHWH, our God, got so upset when people FORGOT His Torah and "played" with pagan gods!

"Not there!" Miss B interrupted. "Look here, over in D'varim (Deuteronomy) chapter 12, verse 32! Moshe said, 'Whatever I command you, you shall be careful to DO; you shall NOT ADD TO IT, NOR TAKE AWAY from it.'"

Hannah opened her Bible and went to the book of D'varim. She found another Scripture. "And here, back in Chapter 11, verse 18, He says, 'therefore, you are to store up these Words of mine in your heart and in all your being ...' Then, He told everyone to teach them carefully to their children, talking about them when they sat at home, when they traveled on the road, when they lay down, and when they got up. He even told them to write them on their doorposts and on

"Can we get back to the story, Mrs. Noah? Tell us what happened when Ethan woke up and saw the book STANDING up and looking at him!"

Max begged.

their gates."

Mrs. Noah frowned and looked puzzled. "Hmm. I was telling a story?"

"Yeah. Remember? About Ethan. He got a book and it was sitting on the night stand when he went to bed. Then, when he woke up, it was STANDING – looking right at him!" Zak reminded her.

Mrs. Noah smiled. "The book LOOKED at him?" she teased. "Oh, that's right – it's an Amazing Wonder Book!"



"His Gramma gave it to him, but he didn't want to read it. Do you recall it now Mrs. Noah?" Hannah asked.

Mrs. Noah opened her Bible. Then she stopped. "Do you remember WHY I am telling you this story?"

Miss B looked over Mrs. Noah's shoulder. "I think Max had asked how people put idols – they make with their own hands – before Yah! And, WHY Yah says it's so bad," she said softly.

"I think it's mean to trick people into following fake gods," Max blurted out.

Hannah poked him. "It's 'cause people don't want to listen to Him. Most of them CAN read – if they REALLY wanted to learn about YHWH – they could."

"Why don't you guys pipe down so Mrs. Noah can go on with the story?" Zak strongly suggested.

"Whoa!" Mrs. Noah said, as she began drawing another picture for her story.

"When Ethan woke up the next morning, the book his grandmother had given him was standing on the night stand!

The Amazing Wonder Book greeted Ethan when he opened his eyes. 'Boker tov, Ethan.'



'Huh?' Ethan responded.

'I have some great things to tell you today,' the Book announced. 'I know all of the colors in your village are gone. I know there is no music anymore. I can help!'

'Ah ... ah, I have to go to school.' Hurriedly, Ethan dressed, ate some crusty bread, and ran out of the house."

"Why di

"Why did he eat crusty bread?" Max asked.

"Duh. That's all they had," Hannah quipped back. "Now – shush!"

"Well," Mrs Noah continued.

"When Ethan returned home, he peeked into his room."

'Was it still dark in there?" Zak asked.

Hannah was very irritated. "SHHHH!"

"There, in the dark room," Mrs. Noah smiled at Zak, "the Book waited on the dresser – in the dark.

'Ethan. I have some great ideas to help you with those mean boys. I can even help with your sister's bad eye sight,' The Amazing Wonder Book told him.

However, Ethan lied. 'I have to finish my chores.' But, he really went to read a book about scary monsters – and his nose began to run.

That night, when Ethan went to bed, he covered his head with his pillow so he couldn't see or hear the Amazing



Wonder Book at all. He started to cough.

Every morning, every night, the Amazing Wonder Book spoke to Ethan. 'I can help you with your problems; Read what I have to say about eating good foods; See how much better you feel when you listen to my words; I can help you with the mean boys.'

Every morning and every night, Ethan ignored the words the Book spoke to him – he sang, 'Lala lala (so he couldn't hear the book calling to him).' He just piled his other books around him and kept reading about spaceships, monsters and cars – while eating his favorite snack: fried ants! He also began to sneeze."

"He thought his books would take care of him?" Zak asked Mrs. Noah.

"ANTS?" Hannah exclaimed. "He ate ANTS?"

"Alright," Mrs. Noah said. "First, his books became VERY important to him, more important than listening to wisdom and knowledge. And, lots of people in the world eat some pretty strange stuff."

"OK, OK. Now, back to the story, alright?" Hannah huffed.

"Remember, everyone in the village didn't recall seeing color or hearing music. They didn't even know that there was something missing. The water was brown and dirty. But no one even realized something was wrong in the village at all," Mrs. Noah explained, as she tried to continue the story.

"Stio tink no moo-sic, no co-wer is sad," Cecil commented. "Shhh. Let her tell the story!" Hannah scolded, as she stretched to see the pictures Mrs. Noah was drawing.

"Ethan was so busy with his other books and running from the mean boys, he didn't even notice that the book was getting smaller, it's voice was getting softer – the room was getting darker. And his cough was getting worse. 'Listen to what I'm telling you, and the whole village – the whole kingdom – will change,' the Book said to remind him what his Grandmother had promised.

But Ethan paid no attention. And his cough, runny nose, and sneezing got worse.

One morning Ethan barely heard the now little Wonder Book whisper, 'Ethan, you're in trouble, I can help ...'

But, Ethan grabbed his ball and went outside to toss it at the old dead tree in the front yard. As Ethan tossed the ball,

he saw the mean boys coming right toward his house!"



"What?" Zak cried. "He STILL didn't listen?"



As Hannah looked at the pictures, she remembered the scriptures they had read. "That's what the Isra'el people did.

They didn't want to hear the instructions YHWH gave them and ran right out and got into trouble."

"Is that why you call Ethan's book – the Torah – a wonder book, Mrs. Noah?" Zak asked.

"You're both right!" Mrs. Noah smiled as she began drawing another picture.

As he watched Mrs. Noah draw the mean boys, suddenly Max jumped up and shouted, "Run, Ethan, run!"

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This is 2 pictures of the mean boys. In the second picture, one is missing. Can you draw the missing one?



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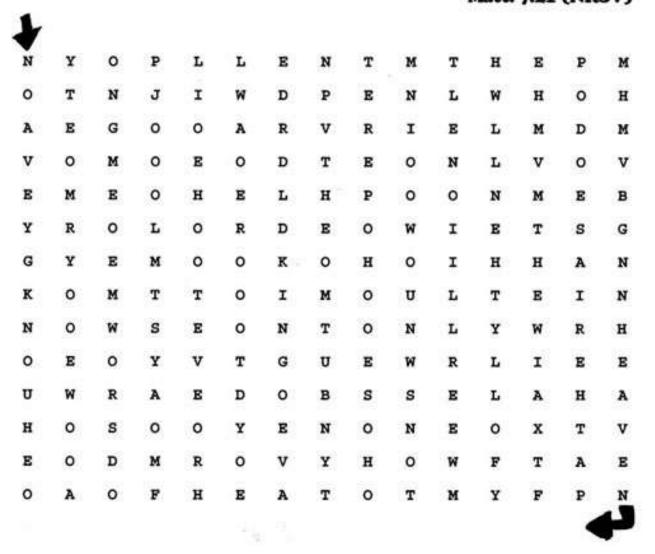
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Scripture Maze

"Not everyone who says to me 'LORD, LORD,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father in heaven."

Matt. 7:21 (NRSV)



D'varim 11:1!