

# TORAH TEACHINGS



Understanding YAH's Likes and dislikes

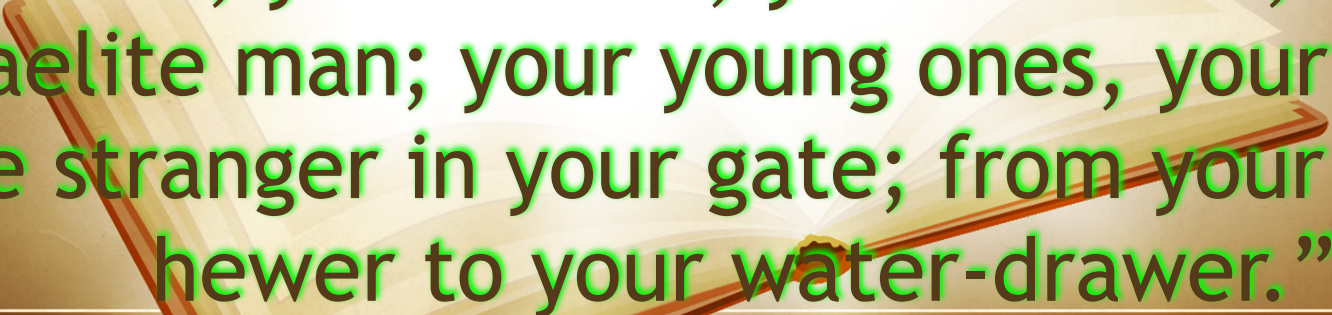
**#51 Netzavim (נְצַבִּים)**  
– Hebrew for “ones standing,”

**Torah: Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20**

**Haftarah: Isaiah 61:10-63:9**

# TOPICS IN THE PARSHA

The unity of Israel: “You stand today, all of you, before the Yehovah your Elohim: your heads, your tribes, your elders, your officers, and every Israelite man; your young ones, your wives, the stranger in your gate; from your wood-hewer to your water-drawer.”



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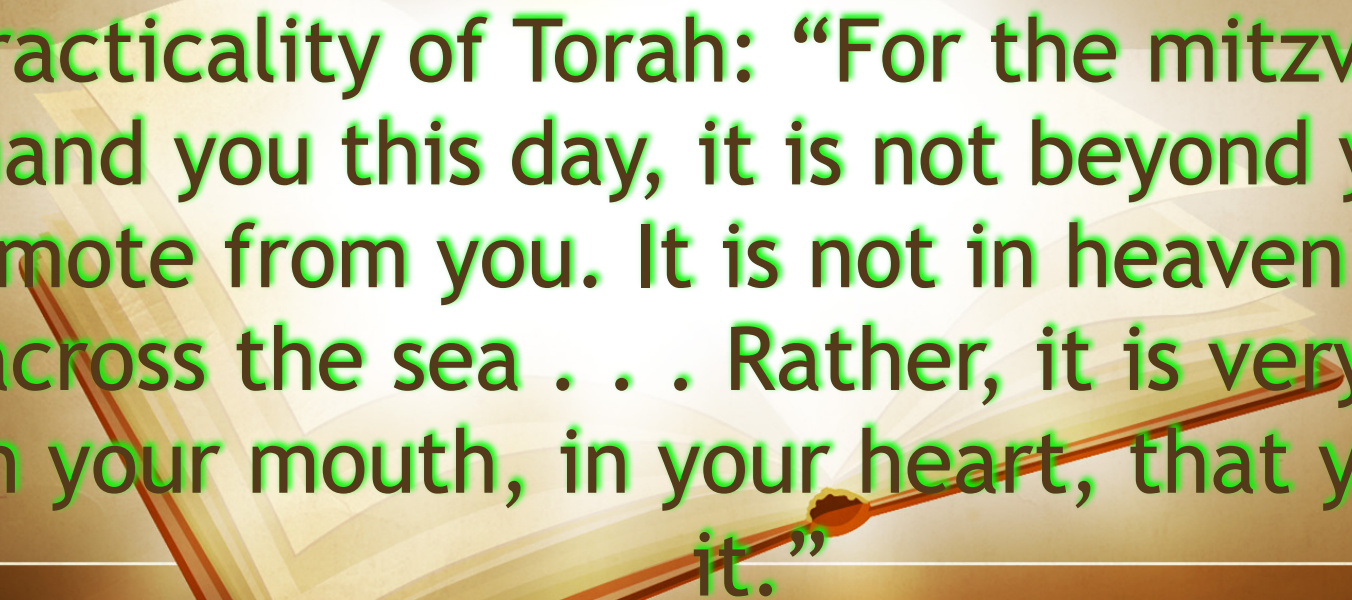
## THIS WEEKS TORAH PARASHAT

The future redemption: Moses warns of the exile and desolation of the Land that will result if Israel abandons Yehovah's laws, but then he prophesies that in the end, "You will return to the Yehovah your Elohim . . . If your outcasts shall be at the ends of the heavens, from there will Yehovah your Elohim gather you . . . and bring you into the Land which your fathers have possessed."

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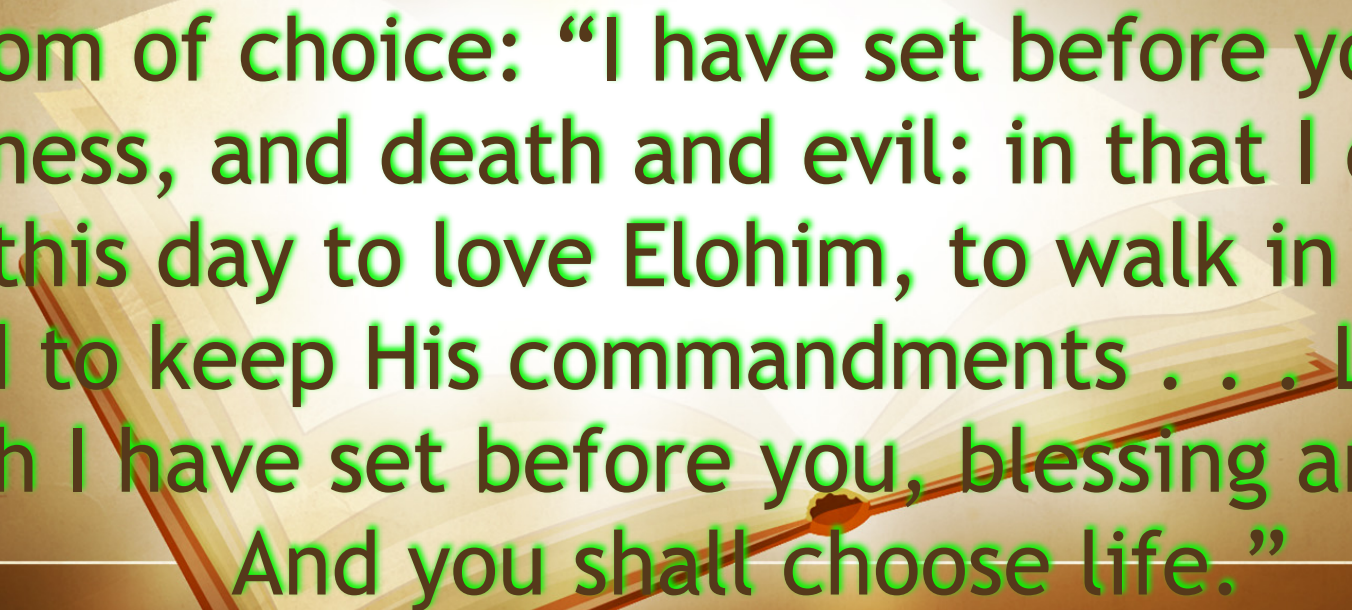
The practicality of Torah: “For the mitzvah which I command you this day, it is not beyond you, nor is it remote from you. It is not in heaven . . . It is not across the sea . . . Rather, it is very close to you, in your mouth, in your heart, that you may do it.”



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Freedom of choice: “I have set before you life and goodness, and death and evil: in that I command you this day to love Elohim, to walk in His ways and to keep His commandments . . . Life and death I have set before you, blessing and curse. And you shall choose life.”



We have these examples set before us, in order for us to ensure that we are standing as we should be:

Qorintiyim Aleph/1 Corinthians 10:11-12 “And all these came upon them as examples, and they were written as a warning to us, on whom the ends of the ages have come, 12 so that he who thinks he stands, let him take heed lest he fall.”

The Greek word that is translated here as 'take heed' is the word βλέπω **blepō** (blep'-o)-Strong's G991 which means, 'to see, to look at, beware, take heed, perceive'.

What Sha'ul is warning us against, here in **Qorintiyim Aleph/1 Corinthians 10:11-12**, is the danger of one who thinks that they are standing and are steadfast, yet they are not learning from the examples that have been written for us!



In other words, he is warning against the delusion of thinking that you are standing, when the Torah is not actually being properly guarded and studied; which is what so many are doing today, as they assume to be in a steadfast position, yet their ability to recognize the trickery of deception and the delusion of twisted teachings (wormwood) is severely lacking, as they take no interest in, nor do they delight in, the Word of Elohim!

As a result, they do not have sufficient knowledge of the Text, in its original Hebrew and Greek languages, which opens them up to be led astray, if not properly equipped by those whom the Master has appointed to teach and equip His Bride unto maturity!

There are so many who 'think' that they are 'standing' and assume that they can enter into covenant with Elohim, yet their disregard for the Torah actually disqualifies their assumed position of standing; and by their deliberate disregard for the Torah, they are unable to enter into covenant with Elohim!

Tehillah/Psalm 24:3 “Who does go up into the mountain of יהוה? And who does stand in His set-apart place?”

Here the clear question points to asking ‘who is able to enter into covenant with יהוה?’, as we can see repeatedly, throughout Scripture, the reference to the mountain of יהוה, as being that which points to His covenant with Yisra’ěl.

## The answer follows:

Tehillah/Psalm 24:4-5 “He who has innocent hands and a clean heart, who did not bring his life to naught, and did not swear deceptively.

5 He receives a blessing from יהוה, and righteousness from the Elohim of his deliverance.”



Having innocent hands and a clean heart, speaks of being free from sin, lawlessness and corruption and therefore, are faithfully walking in obedience of His Torah, as one is washed through His Word - and then, what follows as a result of obedience?

The receiving of a blessing from יהוה, which, as we saw from the last Torah portion, is the result of obedience to His Torah and commands!



Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives, as  
Messiah also did love the assembly and gave  
Himself for it,

Eph 5:26 in order to set it apart and cleanse  
it with the washing of water by the Word,

Eph 5:27 in order to present it to Himself a  
splendid assembly, not having spot or wrinkle  
or any of this sort, but that it might be set-  
apart and blameless.

...having girded your waist with truth...

## Belt of Truth (Emet)

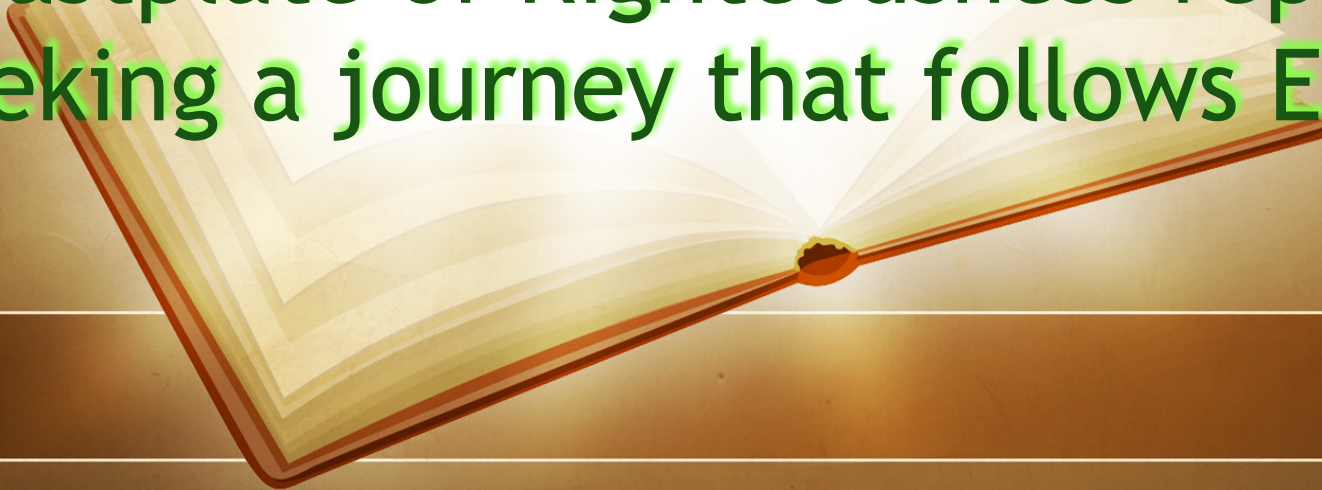
The Belt of Truth is an important item in the Armor of Elohim used in spiritual warfare.

The Aleph and Mem together create the word “Mother,” the strong water that nurtures and holds a family together. The word “Truth” means to nurture the covenant.

having put on the breastplate of righteousness

Breastplate of Righteousness (Tsedek)

As part of the Armor of Elohim, the Breastplate of Righteousness represents seeking a journey that follows Elohim.





having fitted your feet with the preparation of  
the Good News of peace

## Shoes of Peace (Shalom)

Destroy the authority that establishes chaos.

In this illustration as part of the Armor of Elohim, the Shoes of Peace indicate we need to to be walking or pursuing. If we do the walking, Yehovah will destroy the chaos ahead of us.

having taken up the shield of belief

## Shield of Faith (Emunah)

The pictograph portrays getting our attention, 'Behold', the root of Em (mother or giver of life) who seeks to establish continual life or activity in us. Faith is the actions of our life that reveal our relationship with the life giver. Our faith brings a life that has purpose. When our actions come into agreement with Yehovah, the enemy's weapons cannot penetrate the Shield of Faith.

## helmet of deliverance

### Helmet of Salvation (Yeshua)

As pictographs, the letters combine to mean 'Behold, see how a hand will save or separate by a nail.' But it is actually a compound word consisting of 'Yah' (Elohim) and the root word 'shua' (to rescue). In the Armor of Elohim, the Helmet of Salvation is Yeshua, the one who secures our rescue or salvation.

sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of Elohim.

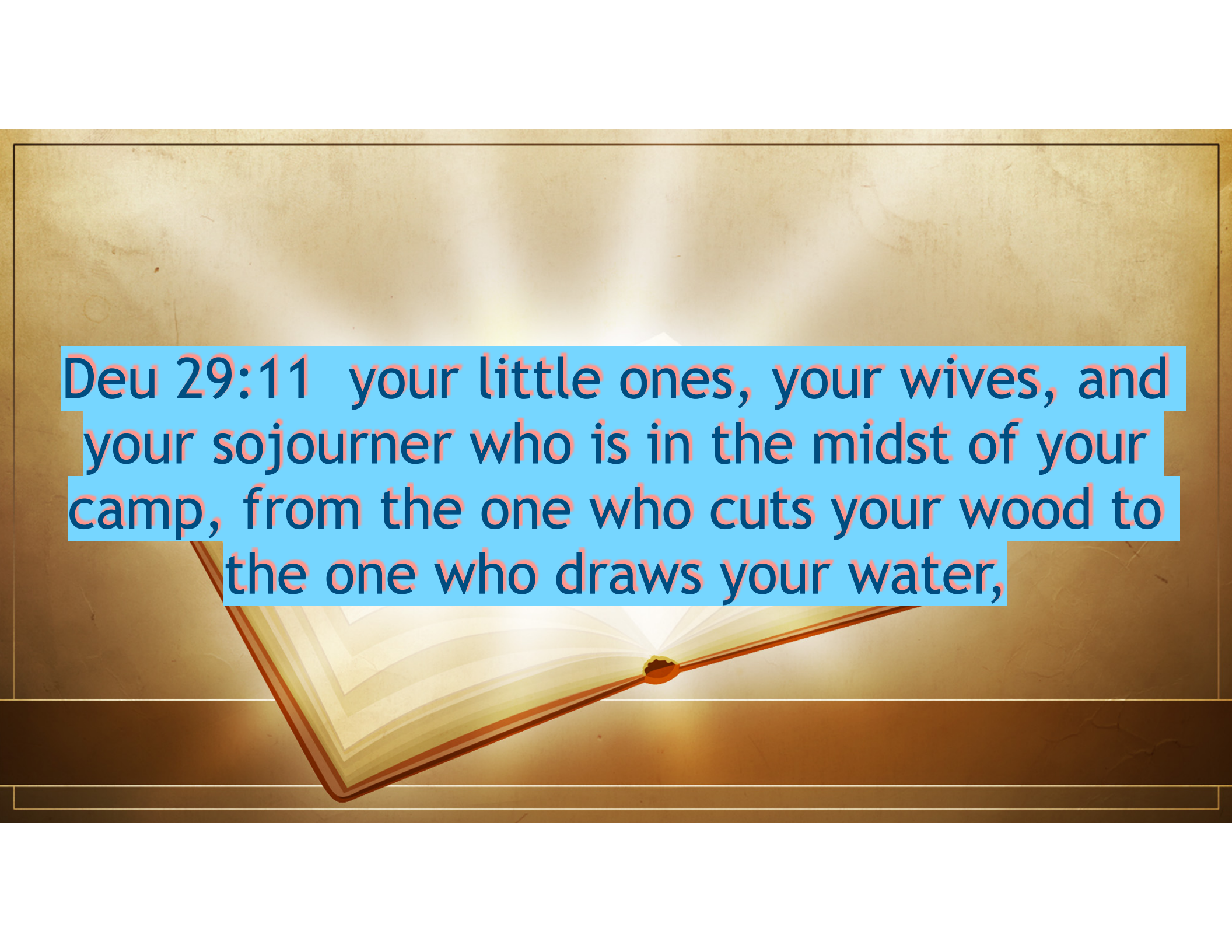
Sword of the Spirit - The Word (Debar)

The only offensive weapon is the Sword of the Spirit, which is The Word of Elohim (Debar).

Words, in the ancient thought process, had substance. Sentences were an ordered arrangement of ideas that ordered lives. The Word of Elohim makes the enemy back down. The more a person is in command of the Word, the more effective soldier he will be.

All who are not clothed with His Torah will be thrown out, as Messiah explains in the parable of the guest who was not dressed for the wedding banquet:

Mattithyahu/Matthew 22:11-13 “And when the sovereign came in to view the guests, he saw there a man who had not put on a wedding garment, 12 and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you come in here not having a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless. 13 “Then the sovereign said to the servants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and throw him out into the outer darkness - there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’”



Deu 29:11 your little ones, your wives, and your sojourner who is in the midst of your camp, from the one who cuts your wood to the one who draws your water,

Verse 11 emphasizes that it is not only the leaders and officers who are standing, but rather, it is everyone who is in your midst.

All who were in the midst of Yisra'ěl would have submitted to the Torah of Yisra'ěl or else they would have been expelled and so, it clearly shadow pictures for us all who are brought near by the Blood of Messiah, and submit to His Kingdom rules, as outlined in the Torah!

Gal 3:28 There is not Yehudi nor Greek, there is not slave nor free, there is not male and female, for you are all one in Messiah יהושע.

The covenant is not only for leaders or officers - for all are able to be a standing people, in Messiah - from the woodcutters to the water drawers!

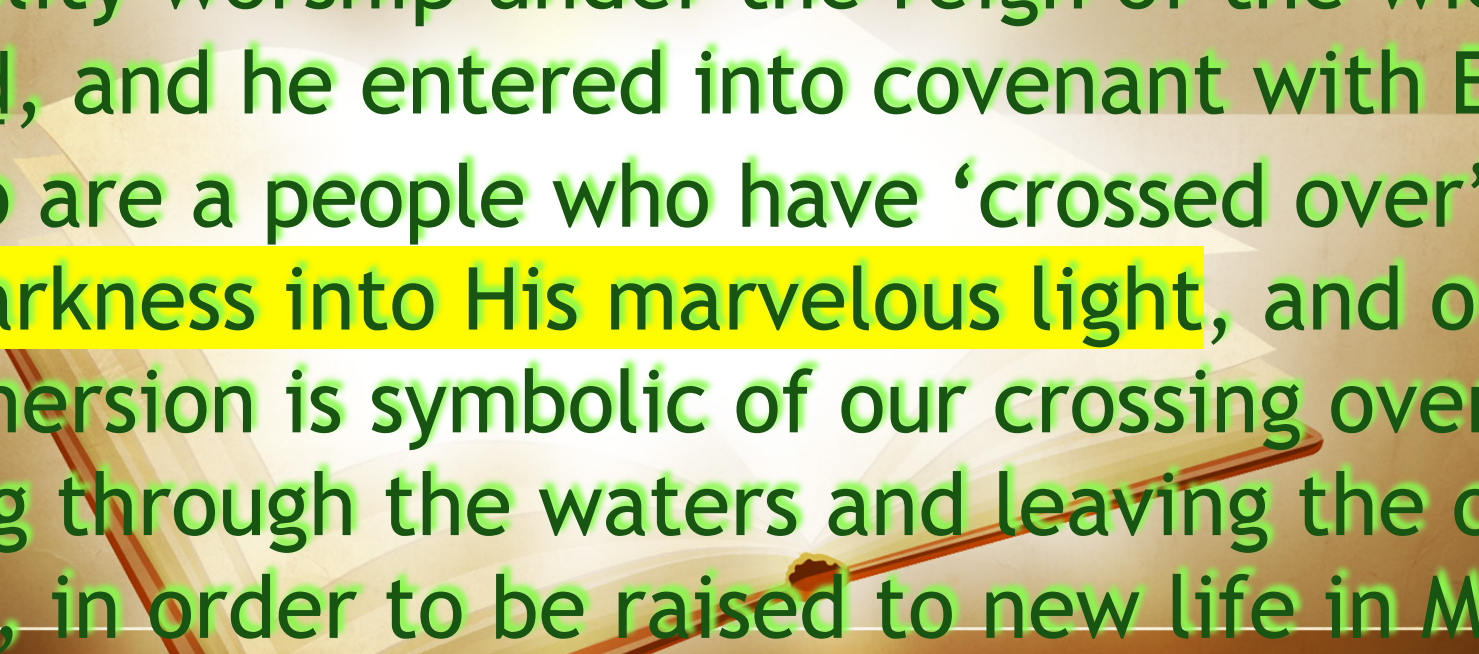
In other words, even the butlers and the maids, who may not have been native born Yisra'ēlites, yet through their sojourning with Yisra'ēl and wanting to know more about the covenants of promise, and be a part of it, are able to do so, as long as they adhere to the Torah of Elohim!



It is not one's individual DNA that matters, but rather a true love for Elohim - which is to obey His commands and therefore, anyone can be a Yisra'élite or Iḇ'rim/Hebrew!

The term 'Hebrew' or עִבְרִי Iḇri (ib-ree')- Strong's H5680 simply means, **'one from beyond or one who has crossed over'**.

From Scriptural accounts, we know that Abraham was the first one to actually be called 'a Hebrew' in Scripture, as he 'crossed over' the Euphrates River and followed the instructions of Elohim.

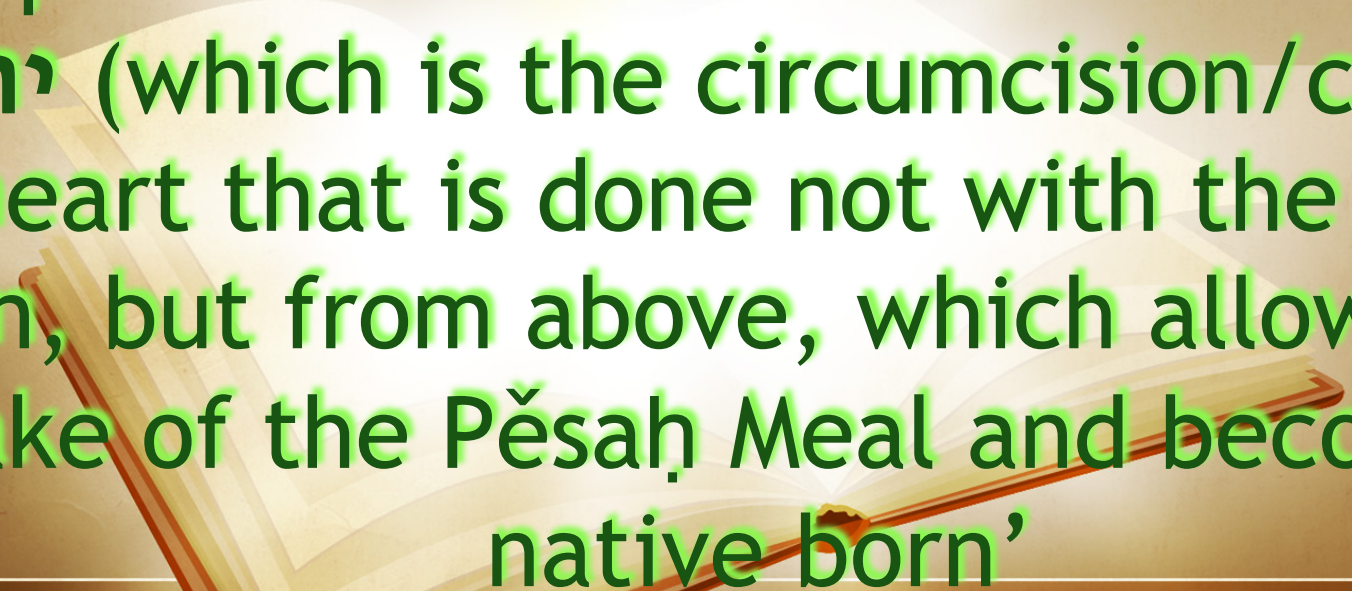


He left the regions beyond the river and forsook his father's house, which was riddled with pagan fertility worship under the reign of the wicked Nimrod, and he entered into covenant with Elohim. We too are a people who have 'crossed over', from darkness into His marvelous light, and our immersion is symbolic of our crossing over, or passing through the waters and leaving the old life behind, in order to be raised to new life in Messiah;

1Pe 2:9 But you are a chosen race, Deu 10:15 a royal priesthood, Isa 61:6 a set-apart nation, Exo 19:6 a people for a possession, Isa 43:2 that you should proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light,

1Pe 2:10 who once were not a people, but now the people of Elohim; who had not obtained compassion, but now obtained compassion

and so our identity change takes place when we repent and are immersed in the Name of יהושע (which is the circumcision/cutting of our heart that is done not with the hands of men, but from above, which allows us to partake of the Pěsaḥ Meal and become 'as a native born')



Col 2:10 and you have been made complete in Him, who is the Head of all principality and authority.

Col 2:11 In Him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands, in the putting off of the body of the sins of the flesh, by the circumcision of Messiah,

Col 2:12 having been buried with Him in immersion, in which you also were raised with Him through the belief in the working of Elohim, who raised Him from the dead.

Col 2:13 And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,

Col 2:14 having blotted out that which was written by hand against us - by the dogmas - which stood against us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the stake.


Col 2:15 Having stripped the principalities and the authorities, He made a public display of them, having prevailed over them in it.

Deu 29:12 so that you should enter into covenant with יהוה your Elohim, and into His oath, which יהוה your Elohim makes with you today,

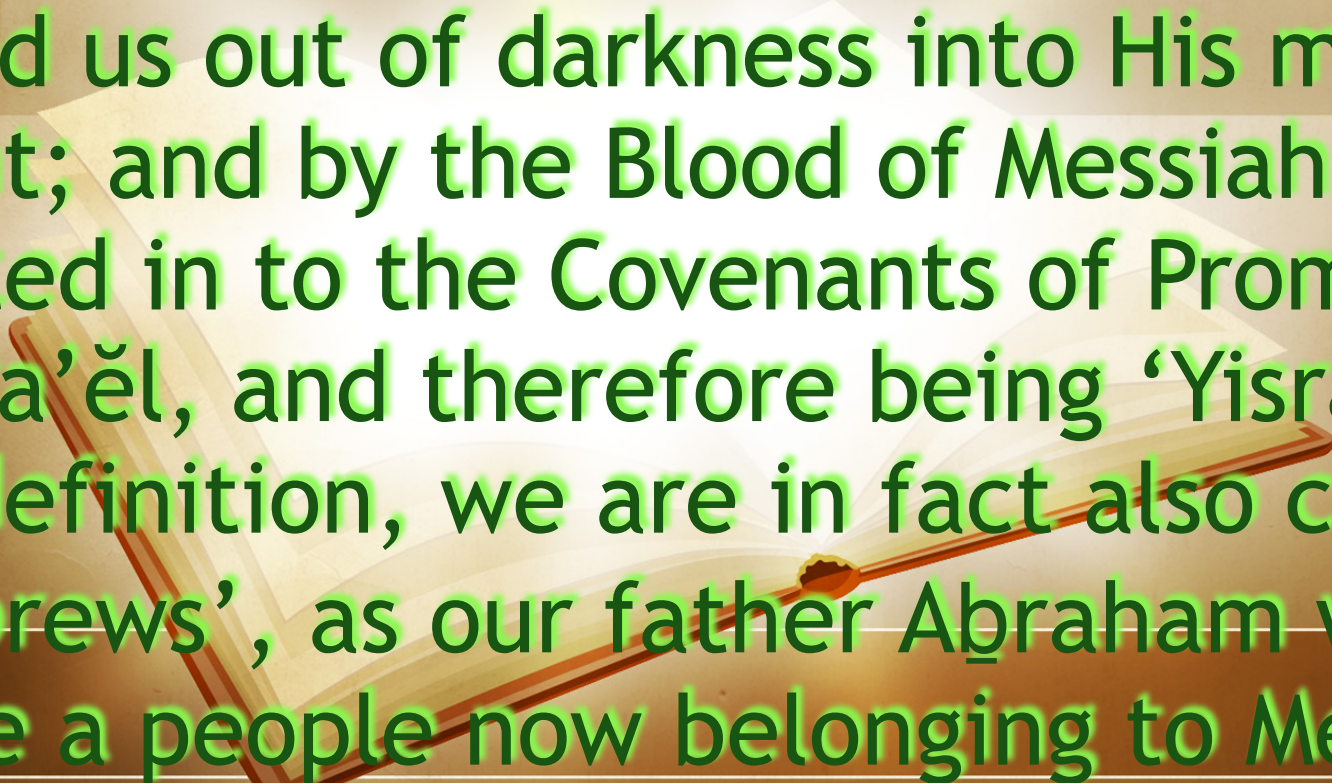


The reason I am mentioning this, is because the term that is used here, in Debarim/ Deuteronomy 29:12, for 'enter into' is עָבַר abar (aw-bar')- Strong's H5674 which means, '*to pass over, through or pass by, crossed over*' and it is the primitive root from which the word עֲבָרָה labri is derived!





Anyone can become a 'Hebrew', or one who 'crosses-over' - if they will but repent and forsake their worldly ways and walk in His Torah, being immersed in יהושע Messiah, having 'crossed over' from death to life in Him and redeemed by His Blood, for He has paid the atonement price for our sins!



We too, who have 'crossed over', so to speak, have become 'Hebrews', as we have responded to the clear call of Elohim who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light; and by the Blood of Messiah we are grafted in to the Covenants of Promise with Yisra'ěl, and therefore being 'Yisra'ěl' by definition, we are in fact also called 'Hebrews', as our father Abraham was, and are a people now belonging to Messiah!

The Hebrew root word עֶבֶר *abar* (aw-bar')-  
Strong's H5674, in the ancient pictographic  
script, is written as follows:




Ayin - אָ:

The original pictograph for this letter is




and represents the idea of **‘seeing and watching’**, as well as **‘knowledge’**. as the eye is the **‘window of knowledge’** and can also render the concept of knowledge revealed!

Beyt - בַּיִת:

The ancient script has this letter as , which pictures a tent floor plan and means, 'house' or 'tent'. It represents family and the importance of those who are inside the tent as opposed to the tent structure itself.

Resh - ר:



The Ancient picture for this letter is ,  
**‘the head of a man’**. This letter has the  
meanings of **‘head or man’** as well as  
**‘chief, top, beginning or first’**.

From this pictographic rendering of one who passes/crosses over, we take note that the meaning given here can be understood as:

**LOOKING TO THE HOUSE'S HEAD**

or

**THE EYES OF THE HOUSE ARE ON THE  
HEAD**

Messiah, is the Head of the Body, that is us, the assembly; which are being built up in Him, as living stones that keep their eyes on the Head of the House!

Kěpha Aleph/1 Peter 2:4-5 “Drawing near to Him, a living Stone - rejected indeed by men, but chosen by Elohim and precious - 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up, a spiritual house, a set-apart priesthood, to offer up spiritual slaughter offerings acceptable to Elohim through יהושע Messiah.”




The pictographic of the word עִבְרִי **l**br**i** -  
Hebrew looks like this:



The extra letter that is used at the end of this word is the letter:

Yod - י:

The ancient script has this letter as  which is 'an arm and hand' and carries the meaning of 'work, make, throw', from the primary functions of the arm and hand, and it also represents worship or giving thanks in the extending of hands as a gesture of this. The work of one's hands is the basic meaning of this letter!

As true Hebrews, we have our eyes fixed on the Head of the House, because of His work of redemption, as we look to the revealed arm of Elohim!

To whom has the arm of יהוה been revealed?

(Isaiah 53:1-12)

To those who have turned to the Master יהושע the veil has been removed and are therefore able to properly see the deliverance that our Head has secured for us, giving us the strength to look to Him and 'cross over',

(Luke 24:1-53)