

TORAH TEACHINGS



Understanding YAH's Likes and dislikes

**# 23 Pekudei (פְּקוּדֵי) –
Hebrew for “amounts of,” or
“inventory of”**

Torah: Exodus 38:21-40:3
Haftarah: I Kings 7:51-8:21



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CHAPTER 38:21-31 – Materials for the Tabernacle





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CHAPTER 40:1-38—Setting up the Tabernacle



We have now come to the final Torah portion in Shemoth (Exodus) and we begin this last portion of Shemoth by taking a look at the inventory of what was collected.

This Torah portion is called פְּקוּדֵי pekudei, which comes from the root word פָּקַד paqad (paw-kad')

Strong's 6485 and can carry the meaning of 'appointments, musterings, expenses - that is the numbering of things, records, assignments'.

So, in verse 21, when we see the phrase, “these were the appointments of the Dwelling Place”, we see that this section from verse 21-31, actually deals with the amount of gold, silver and bronze that was collected, and is translated in other translations as “these are the records of the Tabernacle”.

There was an inventory of the goods that were brought in as voluntary offerings.

Exo 38:21 These were the appointments of the Dwelling Place, the Dwelling Place of the Witness, which was appointed by the mouth of Mosheh, for the service of the Lěwites, by the hand of Ithamar, son of Aharon the priest.

Exo 38:22 And Betsal'ěl son of Uri, son of H̄ur, of the tribe of Yehudāh, made all that יהוה had commanded Mosheh.

Exo 38:23 And with him: Oholiab son of Ahisamak, of the tribe of Dan, an engraver and designer, an embroiderer in blue and purple and scarlet material, and in fine linen.

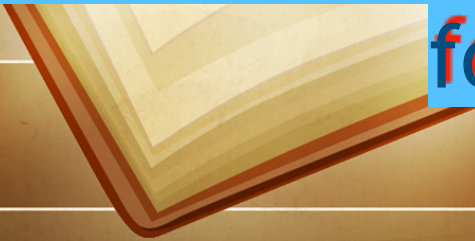
Exo 38:24 All the gold prepared for the work, in all the work of the set-apart place - and it was the gold of the wave offering - came to be twenty-nine talents and seven hundred and thirty sheqels, according to the sheqel of the set-apart place.

Exo 38:25 And the silver from the ones counted of the congregation was one hundred talents and one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five sheqels, according to the sheqel of the set-apart place:

Exo 38:26 a beqa, half a sheqel for a head, according to the sheqel of the set-apart place, for everyone passing over to those counted, from twenty years old and above, for six hundred and three thousand, five hundred and fifty men.

Exo 38:27 And the hundred talents of silver were for casting the sockets of the set-apart place and the bases of the veil: one hundred sockets from the hundred talents, a talent for each socket.

Exo 38:28 And of the one thousand seven hundred and seventy-five sheqels he made hooks for the columns, and overlaid their tops, and made bands for them.



Exo 38:29 And the bronze of the wave offering was seventy talents and two thousand four hundred sheqels.

Exo 38:30 And with it he made the sockets for the door of the Tent of Appointment, and the bronze slaughter-place, and the bronze grating for it, and all the utensils for the slaughter-place,

Exo 38:31 and the sockets for the courtyard all around, and the bases for the courtyard gate, and all the pegs for the Dwelling Place, and all the pegs for the courtyard all around.

This word פְּקוּדֵי pekudei is also used in Scripture with the meaning of **‘paying attention, observe with care and show a practical interest’**.

And what we see from this, is that it is of great importance that we pay attention to the Word and observe, with great care, and recognize, that ALL Scripture carries great and vital importance for us.



This word, פְּקוּדֵי pekudei, in relating to taking an inventory, also helps us realize that we all too must give an account to יהוה, for all that He has entrusted to us.

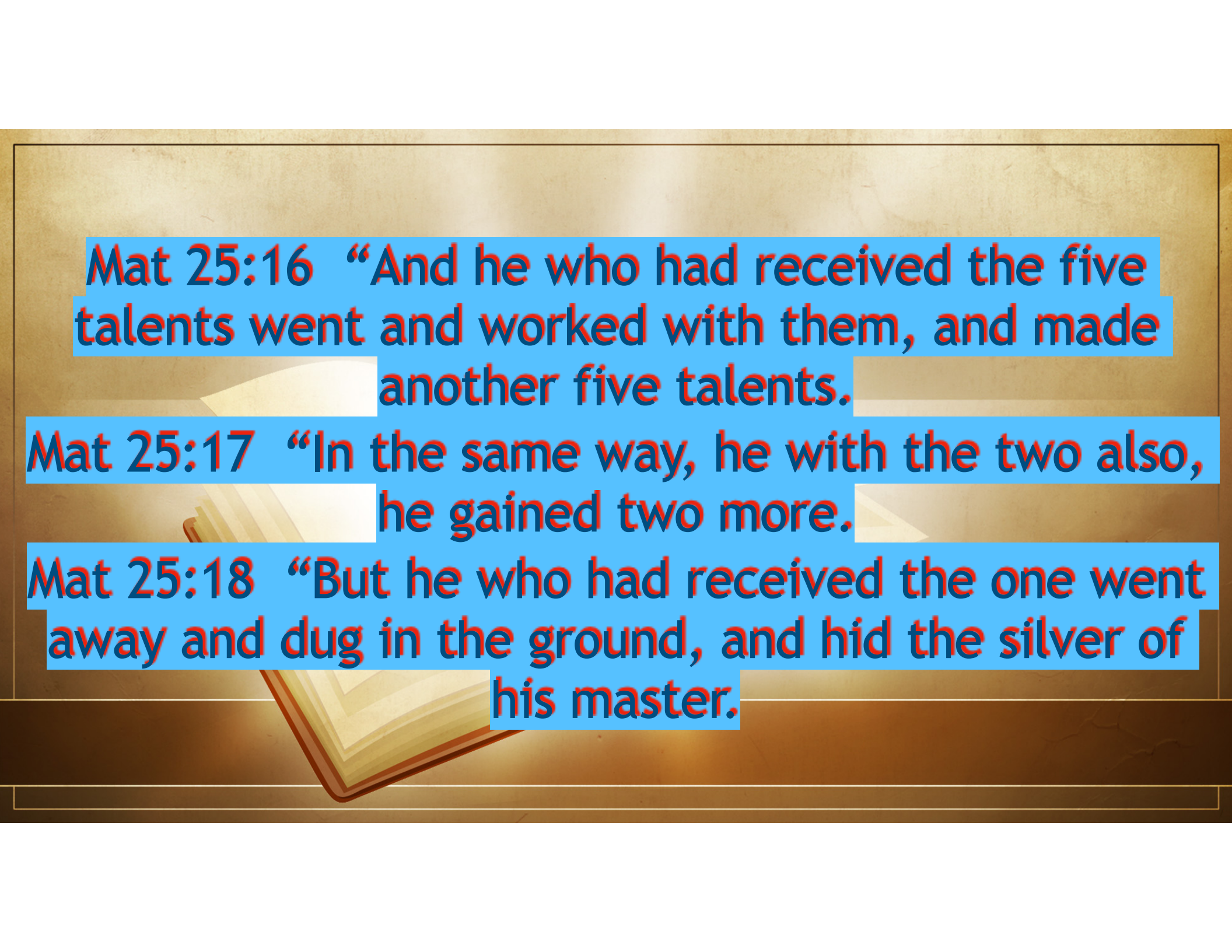
Romiyim/Romans 14:12 “Each one of us, therefore, shall give account of himself to Elohim.”

The Parable of the talents, from Mattithyahu/Matthew 25:13-30, is also a reminder to us of this fact.

The Parable of the Talents

Mat 25:14 for it is like a man going from home, who called his own servants and delivered his possessions to them.

Mat 25:15 “And to one he gave five talents, and to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability, and went from home.



Mat 25:16 “And he who had received the five talents went and worked with them, and made another five talents.

Mat 25:17 “In the same way, he with the two also, he gained two more.

Mat 25:18 “But he who had received the one went away and dug in the ground, and hid the silver of his master.

Mat 25:19 “And after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them.

Mat 25:20 “And he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents. See, I have gained five more talents besides them.’

Mat 25:21 “And his master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy servant. You were trustworthy over a little, I shall set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’

Mat 25:22 “Then he who had received two talents came and said, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents. See, I have gained two more talents besides them.’

Mat 25:23 “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy servant. You were trustworthy over a little, I shall set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’

Mat 25:24 “And the one who had received the one talent also came and said, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed,

Mat 25:25 and being afraid, I went and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours.’

Mat 25:26 “And his master answering, said to him, ‘You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.’

Mat 25:27 Then you should have put my silver with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest.

Mat 25:28 Therefore take away the talent from him, and give it to him who possesses ten talents.

