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# Sukkot in 5778; The Only One that Matters.

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This year, more than ever in our history, more than ever in the 3330 years since we entered the desert, it is imperative we make the Sukkot connections with deliberate consciousness and that we utilize the G-d given technology at our disposal to make the highest possible linkages to *Binah/Moshiach* for ourselves, for Israel, and for the world. When we are called to the Torah we are supposed to channel and share our energy with the entire congregation. Even more so when we are called before the King of Kings and receive his blessings and energy for the new year; we are suppose to share it with the whole world, hence the holiday of Sukkot. Through the proper meditations and the implementation of the ancient knowledge with the proper traditional technology the well-springs will open and flow for everyone.

We are repeating and updating below an article that we have posted over the years to explain many of the secrets and the *kavannot* of the shakings of the *lulov* within the *sukkah*. This year, if we shake with our hearts we will shake the world awake and shake open the gates. Let us do it together.

## The Shakings



Regarding the daily shakings of the four species, there are 5 sets, each of which is done in the 6 directions of the cube, for a total of 30. This corresponds to the 30 blasts of the *shofar* in each set on *Rosh Hashannah* and to the large letter *Lamed*(?), which is spiritually connected to *Binah* and which has the numerical value 30, and which is found in the Torah reading just prior to *Rosh Hashannah*. The word *Lamed* (???) has the numerical value of 74 or 70 +4, representing the 70 Nations and the 4 species, also the 70 years and the 4 exiles, and not coincidentally to the large letters *Ayin* (?) and *Dalet* (?) of the numerical values 70 and 4 respectively of the *Shema*.

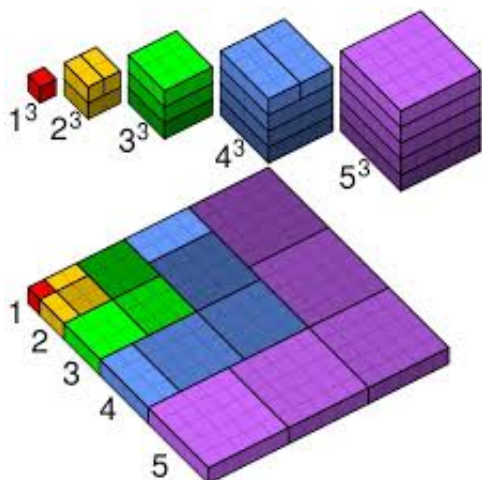


That letter *Lamed* (?) connects to the *Lamed* (?) of *Lulav* (????), the closed palm plant that serves as the central column among the 4 species. According to Abraham Avinu, it is also the letter *Lamed* (?) that along with the letter *Pe* (?) controls the month of *Tishrei* (Libra), the month in which we do both the *shofar* blowings and the shakings. It is also the *lamed* (?) of the word *Aleph* (???, the first), and when the controlling letters of *Tishrei*, the letters *Lamed*(?) and *Pe* (?) are completed with the letter *Aleph* (?) they spell out the word *Aleph* (???), connecting them to *keter* and to the beginning, as in *Aleph B'Tishrei* (permuted to spell *Bereshit*, "In the beginning"). It also connects the month of Tishrei and all the holidays in it to the [primordial Aleph](#) (?) and to the upcoming 1000 (*eleph*, ???) years of *Binah*.

If you have not figured it out yet, most things in Kabbalah come in threes(3's) or triplets, corresponding to the **3** column archetype of our **3**-dimensional universe. The **3** shakings that we make per each of the 6 directions of our essentially cubic *sukkah*, correspond to the **3** beats per type of blast of the *shofar* that we just did on Rosh Hashannah.

Therefore, there are **18** shakings in total per set, and as Rav Abraham Brandwein of blessed memory points out, "The *Lulav* hints at the vertebral column that has **18** vertebrae and every movement indicates vitality. Thus all **4** species need to be damp and alive and not dry." The **18** shakings also corresponds to the value of the word, *chai*(??), life. And straightening this connection is that the word value of *lulav* is **68**, as in *chaim* (????), life and the Tree-of-life. With **18** shakings per each of the **5** sets, plus the shaking at the blessing there are **91** total shakings per day, which corresponds to the numerical value of *amen* and the all-important unification of G-d's Names *the Tetragrammaton* (YHVH) with *Adonai* (???????) that we should meditate on whenever we say Amen. Beside this all-important unification, the value 91 is most appropriately also the value of the word *Succah* (????) itself, which is designed to help us to integrate the inner and outer light.

Moreover, given the 5 sets in 6 directions each, we have **30** daily major shakings, which in the **7** days, totals **210** total shakings, as in the **210** years of Egyptian exile. The **210** total shakings in the complete cycle of 7 days are very significant and are not coincidentally related to the **210** years of Egyptian exile. It is well known that the maximum height of a *sukkah* is **20** cubits, though what is concealed in that cubic space that is contained within that maximum 20 cubit cube are 20 concentric cubes, each diminished by 1 cubit at a time. In other words, there are 20 cubes



within one another like Russian dolls: one of 20 cubits<sup>3</sup>, the next of 19 cubits<sup>3</sup>, then 18 through ...1 cubit<sup>3</sup>. If these cubes were stacked on top of one another, we would have a towering stack of 20 cubes equal to 20+19+18...1, which equals **210 cubits** in total height and **44,100 cubits<sup>3</sup>** in total volume. The number **20** (twenty) in Hebrew is written *Esrim* (?????) of numerical value

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**620**, the same as the word, *Keter*, the highest dimension, and the same as the **620** letters in the 10 Commandments. This is like the Holy of Holies itself which measures **20 x 20** cubits square. When we reach *Keter* in our counting or stacking from 1...18+19+20, we reach **210** levels, or years in the case of the Egyptian exile, so is it coincidental that we also reach the top of the [Great Pyramid of Giza](#) at exactly **210** levels and **210** cubits in height? The volume of those **20** cubes, **44,100** cubits<sup>3</sup>, is awfully evocative of the Hebrew word for truth, *Emet* of numerical value **441**.

Why make this comparison? Because just as the [pyramid](#) was an antennae



built to all the right codes and specifications, so is your *sukkah*. It is designed to help us end our exile and connect us to the highest levels, allowing us to tap into and share the pure and powerful energy of *Binah*.

Then when the **3** shakings per direction are considered over the full **7** days, there are **210** x **3** or **630** total shakings in the **7** days. **630** is **10** x **63**, the value of the Tetragrammaton in the aspect of *Binah*. The number **10** always corresponds to the **10** *sefirot* (dimensions), and in this case to the **10** sub-dimensions (inner *sefirot*) within *Binah*. During the entire process of Sukkot, we're drawing down the energy from *Yesod of Ima (Binah)* so we see how the overall *Binah* connections are very fitting and part and parcel to the technology involved in the shakings.

For these reasons it is very important to do the full **7** day cycle of shakings, and even though we do not physically handle the *lulav* and *etrog* on Shabbat, we should go through the motions and meditations as if we were. This is what Rav Berg of blessed memory did and we diligently went through each one of the mock shakings with their associated *kavonot*. This is what I suggest you do as well. It is 5778; it is time to utilize ALL of the technology available to us.

More important, is to do the shakings in a *sukkah*. Technically they can be done anywhere, though the technology was designed to work *inside* the *sukkah*. Your car's engine will work whether it is in your car or not, but you will not get very far unless it is.

Over the **7** days of Sukkot, we are making **70** sacrifices to share the energy with the **70** nations of the world. Each of these sacrifices corresponds to a specific one of the **70** sub-*sefirot* that comprise *Zeir Anpin* and *Malchut* in order as we descend through them during the **7** day period.

## The 4 Species



When you assemble your 4 species, also known in some parts as light swords, you should note that the 4 elements correspond to the 4 letters of the Tetragrammaton (????): *Hadas* (?), *Aravah* (?), *lulav* (?) and *Etrog* (?). The Arizal further explains that the 3 branches of the *hadasim* (myrtle) also correspond to the (???) of the Holy Name and to the *sefirot* of *Chesed-Gevurah-Tiferet*. The 2 willow (*aravot*) branches correspond to the (??) of the Holy Name and to the *sefirot* of *Netzach* and *Hod*. The *lulav* corresponds to the (??) of the Holy Name and to the *sefirot* of *Yesod*, while the *Etrog* (Citron) corresponds to the final (??) of the Holy Name and to the *sefirot* of *Malchut* of *Yesod*. You should repeat these connections in your head often as you prepare for each set of shakings in order to align your antennae just right. The following connections should be made in your head at least once every day of the holiday--the more often the better--in order to orient yourself and prime all the elements of your tools. For maximum effect do the Ana B'koach and the [Shema](#) in the *sukkah* each day. So since the numerical values of *Hadas* and *Aravah* together equal 346 (???), and since those two species correspond to (??), they spell out "The Name YH(?? ???)." The three sides of the *sukkah* itself form the shape of the letter **Bet** (?), completing the **B'Y-H ShMV** (???-???) sequence that comprise the specific 6 letters that occur at the top of the **248** columns of the Torah which are specifically not the letter *vav*(?) and whose numerical value collectively is that of *H'Moshiach* (the Messiah).

As for the *lulav*, it can be said that the word *lulav* (????) represents the entire Torah in two different ways since it begins with (?) and ends in (?) and since it also ends in the letter combination **Lamed-Bet** (??), as in the first (?) and last (?) letters of the Torah. This letter reversal is an allusion to the recycling of the Torah that occurs during this period, when we read the last verse of the Torah and immediately twist it back to the beginning and read from *Bereshit*.

While the numerical value *Hadas* and *lulav* together (**68+69**) equals **137**, the numerical value of *kabbalah*, meaning "to receive" and "parallel," the numerical value of *Hadas* (???) and *Aravah* (????) and *lulav* (????) together equals 414, which is twice the numerical value of *Or*, light, **2 x 207**, thus representing the running and returning light.

As for the 4th species, the *etrog* (????????) has the numerical value 610, as in *parnesa* (sustenance) and *ma'aser* (tithing), and their corresponding kabbalistic meditations for drawing the *Shefa* into our lives. This numerical connection makes logical sense, considering that the *Etrog* corresponds to the *malchut* of *yesod*, the place where we earn our *parnesa* (sustenance). Nevertheless, the total value of the **4** species (**610+277+68+69**) is **1024**, which not only matches the **1024** unique word values in the Torah, but is also **32<sup>2</sup>**, as in the **32** Paths of the Tree-of-Life. It is also representative of the number of vertices (points) on a 10-dimensional hypercube, which encompasses all 10 dimensions of the Tree-of-Life. In simpler terms, the 4 species combined connect us to the **1024** portals of the Torah as they exist in the spiritual hyperspace (*Binah*). Moreover, not coincidentally **32 x 32** cubits is the measure of the Holy



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earlier is that of *chaim* (life).

We mentioned earlier that the Alter in the very center of the Courtyards of the Third Holy Temple is **32 x 32** cubits. Since the Inner Courtyard measure **100 x 100** cubits, the distance from the Alter to the edge of the Inner Courtyard is **68** cubits on all sides. So when stand in our *sukkahs* doing the shakings, we can connect to and imagine that we are at the central Alter in the Third Holy Temple and extending our *lulavs* outward, metaphorically and metaphysically, to the boundaries of the Inner Courtyard. The Third Holy Temple is already here spiritually and the more we connect to it the quicker it will be here physically.



The complete gematria value of the word *Lulav* (????) is **68 + 32 = 100**, which is also the value of *sach* (???), the roof (covering) of the *Sukkah*, an extremely important component in the Sukkot technology. The *sach* represents *keter*, the highest *sefira*, and is evocative of the height of the Third Holy Temple, **100** cubits.

So when we shake the *Lulav* we not only want to bring it back to our heart, but we want to mediate on the light and love channeling back and forth through it, as we stand both in our *succahs* and in the center of the Third Temple, channeling for the entire world.



Now, if we add all the elements of the holiday together, we get **100 (Sach) + 91 (sukkah) + 1024 (4 species) = 1215**, which as we discussed in our previous article is the numerical value of "**70** Languages," and therefore representative of the **70** Nations that sit on the branches of the Tree-of-Life waiting to be watered from our connections. Like the first **4** words of the *Shema*, the complete value of the first **9** letters of the Torah is also **1215**, as are the **11** unique letters in the Torah's first verse.

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In the portion of the Torah read just prior to Sukkot, there are 11 extraneous dots over the

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letters, a phenomenon that occurs 10 times in the Torah. Now, while the last of those **11** letters in the words under the **11** dots is the letter *ayin*, with a value of **70**, the complete value (standard and ordinal) of all **11** letters under the dots is **422**, which is the exact numerical value of the word "seventy (**70**)." These, of course, connect to the destruction of the first Two Holy Temples in **-422 BCE** and in **70 CE**, respectively, as has already been detailed and chronicled in *The Divine Calendar*.

Once again, it is our *responsibility* to mediate on sharing this light with the **70** Nations, and this is why we were blessed to be the channels and given these magnificent divine tools to use. As it says in Isaiah 56:7, " I will bring them to My holy Mountain and make them rejoice in My House of Prayer...For My House will be called the House of Prayer for **all** the nations."

These self-same 70 Nations are gathering this year to attack Israel, as the Zohar prophesied nearly 2000 years ago. Every manufactured twist in the world tension brings the world closer to global war and mayhem, yet by fulfilling our G-d given role, we can inject enough *Binah* consciousness into the world, and have mercy rain down instead.



Sukkot is usually the time of joy, when the energy of rejoicing is drawn down upon us by our actions within the *succah* for the entire year. This year, it is the time of action, when what we do has the power to determine the sake of humanity. Evil and its conduit, the Erev Rav are running rampant throughout the world. Physically, it *may* be too late; spiritually, we have the tools we need to triumph. This Sukkot, let us put joy in our hearts; let us stand at the Alter of the Holy Temple as we stand within our *sukkahs*; let us use the gyrating wand of the 4 species to channel [the energy of Binah](#) into our lives and out to the whole world; and let us bring Moshiach consciousness to the world once and for all.

Chag Sameach

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