The 7th and 8th Torah Portions Reveal the Truth

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The **10** paragraphs and **10** chapters of VaYetze and VaYishlach, the **7**th and **8**th portions of the **54** portions of the Torah respectively, aren't usually linked together beyond the sequential story of Jacob that they are telling. Nevertheless, on deeper reflection, they are bound together and have deep implications about the final redemption (geula), prophesied by the tzaddikim to occur in **5777.78 – 5778 (2018 CE).**

Vayetze, of numerical value **107**, begins with the verse "Jacob left Beer-Sheba and heded toward Charan. Innocuous enough, until we examine the Hebrew (VYTzE YAKB MBER ShBA VYLC ChRNH). We know from chazal that the final letters point towards the future, and while the first four of them (**EBRA**: VYTzE YAKB MBER ShBA VYLC ChRNH) add up to 273, the numerical value of "gematria" and thus pointing out the tool we should be using, all the final letters (**EBRACH**: VYTzE YAKB MBER ShBA VYLC ChRNH) add up to **778**, as in **5778**. Now, this could very well be coincidence, if the numerical value of Vayetz (VYTzE) itself wasn't **107** and if **5778** wasn't the **107**th triangular number, meaning that all the positive integers through **107** sum up to **5778**.

Now, before we examine the letters themselves and delve into the hidden meaning of the verse, lets further note, that the value **107** comes up again significantly later in the portion. The portion begins with Jacob erecting pillar to G-d and it ends after he establishes (solidifies) the **7** dimensions (sefirot) of Zeir Anpin and Malchut through his union with Leach and Rachel with him erecting another one at/called "Geled," of numerical value **107**. BTW, **54 x 107 = 5778**. By erecting these pillars, Jacob was not only establishing the tree-of-life reality, but creating a bridge for us to follow to that divine reality beyond illusion and to the opportunity that approaches in **5778 (2018 ce)**.

If we look at the letters in the verse themselves, we see the first 3 (EBR) final letters are the first 3 of the Torah as well (BRE) meaning "to create", They are also not coincidentally the first 3 in Abraham (EBRHM). So are we look past "Jacob Left" we first find the MB (Mem-Bet), as in the Shem Mem-Bet or 42-Letter Name of G-d, combination that is always associated in the Torah and Kabbalah with journeying, which leads off the phrase "Beer Sheba (MBER ShBA), the place named by Abraham and Isaac that translates as 7th Well.

If we rearrange the letters to find the deeper meaning we get **MB BRE ShBA** or **42** created **7**, as in the **42** Letters created the **7** dimensions, alternatively rearranging them as **MBSh BRE A**, the **42**-Letter Name created **70**, as in the **7** dimensions expanded by the **10** subsefirot, as explained by the Zohar and the Arizal.

Before we move on and link Vayetze with Vayishlach, it's notable that Beer Sheva is today the **7**th largest city in Israel, and that in Tishrei, the **7**th month, **70** years before **5778**, Beer Sheva was conquered from the Egyptians by the IDF of the fledgling Israeli nation (1948 ce). So with scene set, lets examine the joint **7**th and **8**th Torah portions. The final word of Vayetze in Machanaim (MChNYM) of numerical value **708**, which happens to be the numerical value of the upper **42**-Letters of the Name of G-d. And as pointed out by Rav Brandwein, when the two **42** -Letter Names are linked as one, we get 84 (PaD), redemption, which is all the more relevant since the name Machanaim (MChNYM) means twin camps. The Ramban says that this is Jacob's camp and the divine camp and since Jacob represents Zeir Anpin, defined by the lower 42-Letter Name, and the Upper 42-Letter Name could easily be the divine camp, we do indeed have the two twin 42-Letter camps.

If we follow the narrative of the Torah, we see that Jacob just left Galed, which we connected to **5778**, and encountered angels, which was when he realized the Twin Names were as one, and the process of redemption was at hand. We have also just entered the **32**nd chapter of the Torah, which connects us to the **32** Paths of Wisdom that comprise the Tree-of-Life, the unification of the Names.

That was all in the 63rd Paragraph or the Torah, or **70-7**, where Jacob had to work for **7** years for Leah, **7** again for Rachel and **7** yet again in total. We turn to Vayishlach, whose first word, Vayishlach (VYShLCh) with the kolel for the 5 letters has the numerical value **359**, that of Satan. The lineage of the Patriarchs, not only defines the structure of the tree-of-life, but delineates a cleansing process, whereby the holy sparks of life were separated from the inherent evil inclinations with each generation. Ishmael was born first and received the brunt of any negativity Abraham had to pass on. Esau was born first and likewise received most of the negativity that Isaac had to pass on, which set up the dynamic of good vs evil between the two brothers Jacob and Esau.

The connection to Satan (evil-inclination) is followed by Jacob's name (YAKB) of numerical value **182**, and by the word malachim (messengers or angels): Jacob sent messengers. The deeper secret is that Jacob sent angles to check on Esau, not actual people as messengers, but the even deeper secret is that the first 5 letters in the word malchim (**MLECY**M) spell out the word Michael, as in the archangel Michael, the protector of Israel.

A little later in this same chapter Jacob will wrestle with and conquer a powerful angel, who will change his name to Israel, or numerical value **541**. The Zohar tells us this was a negative angel, Samuel, also know as Satan, but other chazal say it may have been Michael. It would appear the first words of the portion set up that Dynamic: Satan Jacob Michael, and when we look even closer at the gematria we see **359**, **182**, and Michael (101). If you then add **359** + **182**, you'll get **541**, Israel, insinuating that the new Jacob conquered Satan, and became Israel. If we combine the final letter message of the first verse of Vayetze with the full 3 word message of the first verse of Vayishlach, we get (778 + 1242 - 2 (kolel of the 2 verses)) = **2018**, the Year of the Covenant of Abraham, and when using the Western calendar, the year **2018 CE, or 5778 HC, 70** years after Israel became a nation and the Covenant began to be fulfilled.

A Hidden Equation

Keter (CTR), the crowning sefirot, can be expressed as its numerical gematria value of **620**, or as **100**, or even as **1000** depending on the circumstances. And in these combined two portions **10** chapters and/or **10** paragraphs) we have **100** letter Zayins of numerical value **7; 620** letter Ayins of numerical value **70** each; and **273** Nun sofits of numerical value **700** each. While the value of these 3 letters is **777**, the number of these 3 letters is (**100 + 620 + 273**) = 993 = (**1000 - 7**), giving us an equation that balanced the ultimate Divine, Keter, with our spiritual path (ladder) from Earth to Heaven.

Flash Forward to Today

There is so much hidden and revealed in these two portions and many books have been written about them so we won't duplicate that here. One point we do want to emphasize is the connection between Esau and Edom, which the Zohar often refers to as Rome and connects with the "end-of-days" as we know them, the final redemption. To begin with Ishmael is the father of the Islam world; Esau is the father of Edom, the Christian world; and Jacob is the father of the Israeli (Jewish world), all under Abraham. If you recall from our articles on the **Washington Monument**, Washington, the new center of Edom (the Christian World) is the United States, whose capital is Washington D.C..



We also explained that the original name for Washington was Rome (Rome on the Potomac) and that the Zohar insists Rome will lead the final and losing assault against the rising Moshiach consciousness that will bring about the Final Redemption. We further went into detail explaining the encoding of the Washington Monument, whose height is **555 ft**, but now we can tie it into the portion that tells us Esau is father of Edom and hat lays out not only all his descendants, but according to the Zohar and the Arizal, the entire structure of the evil tree-of-life, the anti-tree-of-life if you will, prescribed by 8 Kings that preceded Israel.

After sending angels and engaging the help of Michael, Jacob gives a tribute to Esau of **555** animals, when the kolel of 5 is included for the 5 animal species (Goats, Sheep, Camels, Cows, and Donkeys). Every year a sacrificial goat is given over to Satan, the "scape-goat" to appease him and draw off the Israeli sins, and this gift to Esau appears to be no different. So, let's take a step back and review the connection. Jacob spent the last portion of the Torah raising pillars (alters) to G-d. Now, he gives a sacrifice to Edom of **555** animals. Flash forward about 3430 years and the Masons erected a pillar in the Capital of Edom for the country to rally around that is **555** feet high. Is this just a coincidence?

What's the connection?

Shabbat Shalom and Happy Thanksgiving! We all have a lot to be thankful for. It's only through the appreciation of what we have that we can receive more.