
The Hidden Columns of The Torah

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I know we were going to discuss Jacob's prophetic vision, but while perusing a [Mashiach blog](#), a pearl about Jacob's family entering Egypt and Tehilim (Psalms) that enticed me to look closer at the first verse from the VaYigash paragraphs we had just been studying in their connection to the Israelite soul root and to the chariot from [Ezekiel](#)'s prophetic vision:

Bereshit (Genesis) 46:8

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It just so happens that the **6** initials of this phrase, the phrase that initiates the exile in Egypt (Goshen) and the beginning of the fulfillment of G-d's Covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob are the very same letters that appear at the head of the **6** of the **248** columns of the Torah that are not the letter Vav (**V**):

B'YH ShMV

In other words, of the **248** columns of the Torah, all but six (**6**) columns begin with the level Vav(**V**), itself of numerical value **6**, representing the standard level of the Torah, Zeir Anpin. These special **6** letters, beginning with the first letter of the Torah, the Bet(**B**) of **B**ereshit, are our connection to the higher sefira (dimension) of Binah (Understanding).

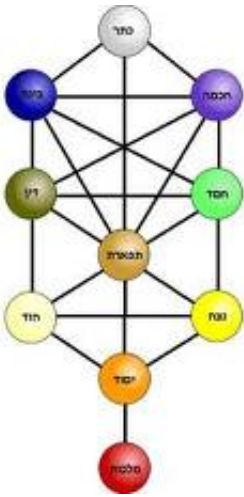
According to chazal, they spell out the phrase, **B'YH ShMV**, "In the Name of G-d (YH) and they have the numerical value of **363**, that of H'Moshiach (The Messiah), and also of "Moses Lives (Moshe Chai)".

Then, oddly enough, the exact phrase is repeated again in the first verse of Shmot (Exodus) 1:1. And since the letter Vav(**V**) is the one distinguished by these two very special phrases, it's notable that there are **778** Vavs in the Torah separating the two verses (from Genesis 46:8-Exodus 1:1).

It's notable because H'Moshiach is supposed to arrival, according to the tzaddikim in the year **5778**, which is **222** years before the **6th** millennium. And those **778** Vavs have a total value of 4668, which is **1110** or **10 x 111** (the numerical value of the first letter *Alef*), less than **5778**.

$$778 \times 6 = 5778 - 111 \times 10$$

As explained in prior articles, *Alef* is representative of the



Tree-of-life and whenever any Torah numbers are in multiples of **10**, it's also a reference to the **10** sefirot (dimensions) of the Tree-of-life.

So obviously this phrase is very telling. It's the beginning of the Israelite Journey. And like all Torah journeys, it's connected to the **42-Letter Name of G-d**.

So it's not surprising that the first word of this key phrase has the numerical value **42** and that the second word is **Shmot (Names)**, as in the **42-Letter Name of G-d**, the understanding of which *chazal* has said will be what brings about *H'Mashiach* and the *geula* (Final redemption), or the end of days as some like to call it. We prefer to think of it as a new beginning, the time when the **10** Sefirot (dimensions) of the Tree-of-Life become a reality for us. And just in case we were to doubt that these two identical verses aren't supposed to be linked together, we should note that the total gematria of both phrases together with their ordinal values is **4240** or **10 times 424**, the numerical value of **Mashiach Ben David**.

424 x 10

But there's more to these verses than just setting our course for receiving Moshiach Ben David in **5778**. The Torah's depth and technology is infinite and the deeper we probe, the more we align ourselves with the Tree-of-life reality.

Bereshit 46:8 continues: "And these are the names of the sons of Israel who are coming into Egypt: Jacob and his sons. Reuben was Jacob's first born."

Simple enough, except that the Torah slipped in the word first-born (Becor, **BCR**) except that **BRC** is the root of [merkava](#), **MRCBH**, which as we've discussed (**VaYigash**) is both the chariot that Joseph harassed to meet his father and complete the Tree-of-life and the one Ezekiel saw in his famous prophetic vision. We'll explain, or rather let the Arizal explain this in a moment, but first we want to draw the parallel, to occurrence **54** paragraphs later, of the **10th** plague, the killing of the first born.

This is far from coincidental as there are **54** letters in both the phrases cited above and because as we know **54 x 107 = 5778**, which is not an arbitrary equation because all the integers through **107** also = **5778**.

Moreover, the Torah immediately goes on to tell us that "Reuben sons were Chanoch..," as in the 7th Man in the lineage of Adam, Chanoch(Enoch), who *chazal* has explained became the archangel Metatron, the angel in Ezekiel's vision.

In our next post, we'll be further discussing the word (root) **BCR** (*Becor*) and it's important

connection to Jacob's prophecies and his lap (knees), **BRCY**, and also to the root of all blessing, **BRC**, as in *Baruch* (**BRVC**), etc, but right now, let's see what the Arizal has to say about the killing of the first born of Egypt and the final plague:

"The initials of these three *sefirot* - *keter*, *reishit chochma*, *bina* - spell the word for "firstborn" [in Hebrew, "*bechor*"**BCR**]. This is similar to what is explained in the Zohar (*Tikunei Zohar* 70, pg.119b) regarding the word for "blessed" [in Hebrew, "*baruch*"] and the name of the River *Kevar*."

The Ari is saying that these three letters (energy sources) when taken together connect to the top 3 *sefirot*: *Keter*, *Chochma*, and *Binah*.

He continues, "*Chochma* is referred to as "*reishit chochma*" ("the beginning of wisdom") based on Psalms **111:10**: "The beginning of wisdom is the fear of G-d." Also, *chochma* is the first conscious *sefira*, and is therefore known as "the beginning".

Please note that Wisdom is connected to **111:10** and as we saw earlier these two verses were also connected to **111 x 10**. This is Wisdom, not coincidence. And likewise the Ari is connecting *Chochma* (numerical value **73**) with *reishit*, the beginning, partially because the numerical value of the Torah's 1st verse is equivalent to all the integers through **73**.

And if you don't think these 2 verses, including the very first verse of Shmot (Exodus) don't hark back to the seed of the Torah--it's very first word, please take note that the **6** letters word *Bereshit* ("In the Beginning") itself (**BREShYT**) are found in each of the 6 words of these prophetic phrases.

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ETBShYR = BREShYT

Now we can understand why the equation alluded to by the phrase above **6000 -222 = 5778** is significant, because **222** is the numerical value not only of **2 x 111** (*alef*) but of **BCR**, the root of all blessing and the chariot that will take us there.

In Exodus **1:1** "And these are the names of the sons of Israel **who are coming** into Egypt..." the word used is *Haba'im*, meaning literally "the ones coming." The first time the Torah dictated this phrase it made sense, but the second time it did not, since they were already in Egypt, which means the Torah must have been alluding to the future exile, which in turn means it was written for us, so that we could deal with the exile, and know our time to exodus from it. The gates are opening.

Just to be thorough, we'd like to point out that the simple numerical value of both phrases together including the *kolel* for the the **27** identical letters is 3695 and the simple numerical value of the rest of that first verse (Genesis 46:8) is 2083, so combined they equal **3695+2083 = 5778**.

"Joseph harnessed his chariot and went up to meet his father Israel in Goshen." (Gen. 46:29)

From the [Zohar](#) Rabbi Yitzchak began his discourse, citing the verse "There was a likeness of an expanse above the heads of the **Chaya**, like the color of the awesome ice, spread out above their heads from above" (Ezekiel 1:22)."

The numerical value of **Chayot**, the animating forces, of the Chariot is **424**, so the **2** phrase that sum to **4240**, or **10 x 424**, take us deeper into the vision of Ezekiel and closer to the Tree-of-life. The secrets are all in the letters; the path is through the letters. Th numbers help guide us, but the **27** Hebrew letters are the key. Let wisdom be our guide.