



Lesson  
 Vezot HaBracha  
 “And this is the blessing”  
 Deuteronomy 33:1 – 34:12  
 Joshua 1:1-18  
 Luke 22:44-53

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**My Notes:**

**Your Notes:**

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Deut 33:1

**And this is the blessing** with which Moses the man of Elohim blessed the sons of Israel before his death.

וְזֹאת הַבְּרָכָה Vezot HaBracha = And this is the blessing

Deut 33:2

And he said: YAHWEH came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir for them; He shone forth from Mount Paran, and He came from the **myriads** of holy ones. At His right hand a law of fire went forth to them.

מֵרַבְּבַת מֵרַבְּבַת S7233: rebabah = From 7231; multitude, myriad, ten thousand

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רַבֵּב S7231: rabab = to be or become many, be or become much, be or become great

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קֹדֶשׁ S6944: qodesh = From 6942; apartness, holiness, sacredness, separateness

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קִדַּשׁ S6942: qadash = to consecrate, sanctify, prepare, dedicate, be hallowed, be holy, be sanctified, be separate

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### Deut 33:2 (YLT)

and he saith:—‘Jehovah from Sinai hath come, And hath risen from Seir for them; He hath shone from mount Paran, And hath come **with** myriads of holy ones; At His right hand are springs for them.

### Deut 33:2 (CJB)

“ADONAI came from Sinai; from Se’ir he dawned on his people, shone forth from Mount Pa’ran; and **with** him were myriads of holy ones; at his right hand was a fiery law for them.

### Deut 33:2 (ESV)

He said, “The LORD came from Sinai and dawned from Seir upon us; he shone forth from Mount Paran; he came **from** the ten thousands of holy ones, with flaming fire at his right hand.

מִן S4480 ואתה מרבבת  
min = from, out of, **on account of**,  
off, **on the side of**, since, above, than, so that not, more than

Hebrew “poetry”: repeating the same thing two different ways.

### Deut 33:2 (RBV)

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### Psalm 110

1 A Psalm of David.

A declaration of YAHWEH to my Adonai: **Sit at My right hand**, until I place Your enemies as Your footstool.

2 YAHWEH shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion to rule in the midst of Your enemies.

3 Your people shall have willingness in the day of Your might; in the majesties of holiness; from the womb of the dawn, to You is the dew of Your youth.

4 YAHWEH has sworn and will not repent: You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

5 YAHWEH at Your right hand shatters kings in the day of His anger.

6 He shall judge among the nations; He shall fill with dead bodies; He shall shatter heads over much land.

7 He shall drink out of the torrent on the way; therefore, He shall lift up the head.

### Psalm 48:10

According to Your name, O Elohim, so is Your praise to the ends of the earth;  
**Your right hand is full of righteousness.**

## Mark 16:19

Then indeed, after speaking to them, the Master Yahshua was taken up into Heaven, **and sat off the right of YAHWEH.**

## Acts 7:55

But being full of the Holy Spirit, looking intently into the heaven, he saw the glory of YAHWEH, **and Yahshua standing at the right of YAHWEH.** And he said, Behold, I see the heavens having been opened, and **the Son of man standing at the right of YAHWEH!**

## Hebrews 12:2

looking to the Author and perfecter of our faith, Yahshua, who for the joy set before Him endured the torture stake, despising the shame, and **sat down at the right hand of the throne of YAHWEH.**

Luke 22:69; Acts 2:33; Acts 5:31; Rom 8:34; 2 Cor 6:7;  
Col 3:1; Heb 10:12; 1 Pet 3:22

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Before we look at the actual definition of this word, according to my Bible Software (Logos), the word study shows this word to mean: “angel? warrior?”

Now to the actual Hebrew word:

אֶשְׁדָּת S799: eshdat = From 784 AND 1881; fiery law, fire of a law, fire was a law (meaning uncertain)

אֵשׁ S784: esh = fire

דָּת S1881: dat = decree, law, edict, regulation, usage

||NOTE: According to Dr. Frank Seekins (Living Word Pictures), he says “dat” is the word for “religion.”||

The interesting part about this, the word for “law” is not “torah”. Which brings us back to the definition Logos uses: angel or warrior.

However...

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Definition of “inherit”: to receive (money, property, etc.) from someone when that person dies

### Exodus 6:8 (NKJV)

And I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and I will give it to you *as a **heritage**: I am the LORD.*’ ”

Definition of “heritage”: the traditions, achievements, beliefs, etc., that are part of the history of a group or nation

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מורשה S4181: morashah = From 4180; a possession

מורש S4180: morash = From 3423; possession

ירש S3423: yarash = to seize, dispossess, take possession off (sic), inherit, disinherit, occupy, impoverish, be an heir

Inheritance belongs to heirs to dispose of as they please.

Heritage becomes the property of all future generations.

Before inheriting the Land, Israel has had the Lord shine upon them and they've been blessed by the receiving of the Torah even before their receiving of the Land.

So even before the possession of the Land they receive the possession of Torah. The Torah is their eternal heritage. The nations are invited to come and participate.

### Deut 33:5

And he was king in **Jeshurun**, when the heads of the people assembled, the tribes of Israel.

ישרון S3484: Yashurun = From 3474; a symbolic name for Israel describing her ideal character. *Additional Information:* Jeshurun = “upright one”.

יֵשֶׁר S3474: yashar = to be right, be straight, be level, be upright, be just, be lawful, be smooth

### Isaiah 40:3

The voice of him who cries in the wilderness: Prepare the way of YAHWEH; **make straight** in the desert a highway for our Elohim.

### Psalm 119:128

Therefore, I count wholly **right** all the Precepts; I have hated every false way.

### Proverbs 15:19

The way of the lazy one is like a hedge of thorns, but the path of the **righteous** is exalted.

יֵשֶׁר + אֱל = יִשְׂרָאֵל Israel! (Yashurun)

This puts a different light on the “Shema”!

Shema, Israel... Shema, yashar El

(RBV): Hear and obey, the right, straight, righteous way of El!

### Blessings: Moses vs. Jacob

#### Reuben - Deut 33:6

Let Reuben live, and not die, and let his men be numbered.

#### Reuben - Gen 49:3-4

Reuben, you *are* my first-born, my strength and the first-fruit of my power; excellence of dignity and excellence of might.  
Like boiling water you shall not excel, for you went up to the bed of your father; then you defiled it; he went up to my couch.

#### Judah – Deut 33:7

And this for Judah: And he said, Hear the voice of Judah, O YAHWEH, and bring him in to his people; his hands were much for him, and You shall be a help against his foes.

#### Judah - Gen 49:8-12

Judah, may your brothers praise you, your hand *be* on the neck of your enemies. May the sons of your father bow themselves to you.  
Judah *is* a lion's whelp. My son, you have risen up from the prey; he stoops, he crouches like a lion; and like a lioness, who can rouse him?  
The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor the lawmaker from between his feet, until He comes to whom it belongs (*Shiloh*), and the obedience of the people to him.  
Binding his foal to the vine, and his donkey 's colt to the choice vine, he washes his clothing in wine, and his covering in the blood of grapes.  
His eyes *shall be* dark from wine and his teeth white from milk.

<p><b>Simeon</b></p>	<p><b>Simeon - Gen 49:5-7</b></p>
<p><b>Levi - Deut 33:8-11</b>  And of Levi he said, Your Thummim and Your Urim are for Your devout man whom You tested at Massah; You contended with him at the Waters of Strife;  who said of his father and his mother, I have not seen him. And he has not acknowledged his brothers, and did not know his own son, for they have kept Your Word, and observed Your covenant.  They shall teach Your judgments to Jacob, and Your Torah to Israel. They shall put incense at Your nostrils, and whole burnt offering on Your altar.  O YAHWEH, bless his strength, and accept the work of his hands. Dash the loins of those rising against him, those who hate him, that they may not rise!</p>	<p><b>Levi - Gen 49:5-7</b>  Simeon and Levi, brothers; their weapons <i>are</i> instruments of violence. Let not my soul come into their counsel; let not my spirit be joined to their company. For in their anger they killed a man; and in self-will they lamed an ox.  Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their wrath, for <i>it was</i> cruel. I will divide them in Jacob, and I will scatter them in Israel.</p>
<p><b>Benjamin - Deut 33:12</b>  Of Benjamin he said, The beloved of YAHWEH shall dwell securely beside Him, covering him all the day long; yea he shall dwell between His shoulders.</p>	<p><b>Benjamin - Gen 49:27</b>  Benjamin <i>is</i> a wolf that tears. In the morning he devours the prey, and at evening he divides the spoil.</p>
<p><b>Joseph - Deut 33:13-17</b>  And of Joseph he said, Blessed of YAHWEH be his land, with the best of the heavens, for the dew, for the deep crouching beneath;  and with the best of the produce of the sun, and with the best yield of the months;  and with the first of the ancient mountains, and with the best of the everlasting hills;  and with the best of the earth, and its fullness; and the good will of Him who dwelt in the Bush; let it come on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the separated one (<i>nazir</i>) of his brothers.  His glory is as the first-born of his ox, and the horns of the wild ox are his horns; with them he shall butt the peoples together to the ends of the earth. And they are the myriads of Ephraim, and they are the thousands of Manasseh.</p>	<p><b>Joseph - Gen 49:22-26</b>  Joseph <i>is</i> a fruitful son, a fruitful son by a spring; <i>his</i> daughters run over a wall.  And the masters of arrows harass him, and shoot, and an archer lurks for him.  His bow abides in strength, and the hands of his arms are made agile by the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob, from the Shepherd, the Rock of Israel.  From the El of your father, may He help you. And may the Almighty bless you with blessings of Heaven from above, blessings of the deep that lies beneath, blessings of the breasts and womb.  The blessings of your father are above the blessings of my offspring, to the limit of everlasting hills; may they be for the head of Joseph and for the crown of the one separated (<i>nazeer</i>) of his brothers.</p>

<p><b>Zebulun - Deut 33:18-19</b>  And of Zebulun he said, Rejoice, O Zebulun, in your going out, and O Issachar, in your tents;  to the mountains they call the peoples; there they shall offer righteous sacrifices for they shall suck the bounty of the seas, and treasures hidden in the sand.</p>	<p><b>Zebulun – Gen 49:13</b>  Zebulun shall live at the seashore, and he <i>shall be</i> a haven of ships, even his border beside Sidon.</p>
<p><b>Gad - Deut 33:20-21</b>  And of Gad he said, Blessed is he who enlarges Gad; he shall live like a lioness, and shall tear the arm, also the top of the head.  And he eyes the first part for himself, for there was the portion of the lawgiver hidden; and he came with the rulers of the people; he executed the justice of YAHWEH, and His judgments with Israel.</p>	<p><b>Gad - Gen 49:19</b>  Gad, an army shall attack him, and he shall overcome on <i>their</i> heel.</p>
<p><b>Dan - Deut 33:22</b>  And of Dan he said, Dan is a lion's whelp; he shall leap from Bashan.</p>	<p><b>Dan - Gen 49:16-18</b>  Dan shall judge <i>his</i> people, as one of the tribes of Israel.  Let Dan be a serpent on the way, a horned snake on the path that bites the horses' heels, and its rider falls backward.  I have waited for your salvation, O YAHWEH.</p>
<p><b>Naphtali - Deut 33:23</b>  And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with good will and full of the blessing of YAHWEH; possess the west and the south.</p>	<p><b>Naphtali - Gen 49:21</b>  Naphtali <i>is</i> a deer let loose giving one beautiful answers.</p>
<p><b>Asher - Deut 33:24</b>  And of Asher he said, Asher shall be blessed with sons; let him be accepted by his brothers, and dip his foot in oil.</p>	<p><b>Asher - Gen 49:20</b>  Out of Asher his bread shall be fat, and he shall give a king's delicacies.</p>
<p><b>Issachar</b></p>	<p><b>Issachar – Gen 49:14-15</b>  Issachar <i>is</i> a strong donkey, crouching between the sheepfolds.  And he saw a resting place that <i>it was</i> good, and that the land was pleasant.  And he bowed his neck to bear, and became a tribute slave.</p>

Deut 34:5

And Moses the servant of YAHWEH died there in the land of Moab, **according to the command of YAHWEH.**

עַל-פִּי יְהוָה al pi YHVH = literally: by the mouth of YHVH.

Based on this verse, the midrash in Vezot HaBracha states God kissed Moses at his moment of death.

This kiss took the life of Moses; however, we are at the end of the Torah cycle, and what is traditionally done is to roll back the scrolls and read the first few verses of B'reishit. The cycle begins anew!

And how does life begin? With the kiss from God to Adam!

Parable for the end of the Torah:

The King hired two unemployed citizens who were day laborers to fill a canyon as large as the Grand Canyon. The first looked into it and said, "I will never be able to fill it! What a stupid King" and he got up and left. The other one said, "It doesn't matter whether or not I finish the job, the King is paying me for my daily labor. I've been employed for a lifetime!"

Our Father, the King of creation says: "The Torah is infinitely wide and deep, but that is not your concern. You are a day laborer, hired by Me to accomplish your daily task!"

The Torah cycle has ended. The next book that is written is Joshua. Look what YHVH tells Joshua – 3 times!

Jos 1:6

**Be strong and brave.** For you shall cause this people to inherit the land which I swore to their fathers to give to them.

Jos 1:7

Only **be strong and very brave**, so that you may take heed to do according to all the Torah which Moses My servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may act wisely wherever you go.

Jos 1:9

Have I not commanded you? **Be strong and brave.** Do not be afraid or discouraged, for YAHWEH your Elohim is with you in all places where you go.

Chazak, chazak  
v'nischazek

Be strong, be strong,  
and we will all be  
strengthened!