# **Shabbat Pinchas**

פָּרָשַׁת פִּנְחָס

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## Weekly Torah Reading - Pinchas

#### Pshat - The Story at a Glance

- 1. God rewards Pinchas for taking action against one of the Israelites who committed an inappropriate act that took place at the end of last week's parsha, Balak.
- 2. The plague that had been affecting the Israelites comes to an end, and a new census is taken.
- 3. Mahlah, Noa, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah, the five daughters of a man named Tzelofhad, successfully petition Moses to include women in the inheritance laws when there is no son in the family.
- 4. Moses, aware that he will not enter Israel, asks for a successor. Joshua is tapped to take over upon their arrival in the Promised Land.
- 5. The Jewish holidays are listed in full, complete with the sacrifices offered each day, Shabbat and holiday.

#### Drash - A Closer Look at the Parsha

"And of these, there was no man... [who won't] die in the wilderness" (Numbers 26:64-65).

Rashi wonders why the passage that recalls the men who will die in the wilderness appears next to the story of the daughters of Tzelofhad. Rashi explains that while the men were to die out in the wilderness, the women were not similarly condemned by the sin of the spies, for they loved the Land of Israel. The men complained, "Let us return to Egypt," while the women said, "Give us an inheritance in the Land."

Having your name mentioned by the Torah is the ultimate sign of importance. Often throughout the Torah, we see people referred to in large groups without their names being specified. And yet here, all five of Tzelofhad's daughters are individually mentioned because, unlike the men who complained throughout, they believed in God's promise and excitedly awaited their arrival in Israel.

Shabbat Shalom שבת שלום

**Weekly Service Times:** 

Friday Evening 6:15 pm, Shabbat Morning 9am Sunday Morning 9am Monday—Thursday Evenings 7pm, Wednesday Morning 7:30am

Yasher Koach to Rabbi Gabe Cohen and Rabbi Jeremy Ruberg for leading services. Rabbi Jeremy Ruberg, Steve Feinmark, and Adi Rabinowitz for reading Torah and Adi for chanting the Haftorah.

Yasher Koach to Judah Skoff for delivering this week's sermon and leading musaf.

#### **Thank You**

Thank you to Dr. Rica Rabinowitz and Steve Leeman for serving as our Gabbaim.

### **Sponsors**

Thank you to Sisterhood for sponsoring the bima food baskets and their donation to the Closter Food Panty.

Thank you to Barry & Melanie Zingler for co-sponsoring Kiddush in memory of Melanie's mother, Adrienne Kahn z"l, and Barry's father, Dr. Leonard Zingler z"l.

Thank you to the Heidenberg family for co-sponsoring Kiddush in memory of Robert's mother, Syliva Heidenberg z"l and grandmother Leah Gordon z"l.

#### **Announcements**

**Just One More Thing**. JOMT is designed to address and combat food insufficiency right here in our community. We will be partnering with the Closter Food Pantry, targeting items month by month that are most in need. We are asking our congregation to purchase "just one more thing" when shopping at the supermarket. *Drop-off location: Temple Office*. **July Item: Mayonnaise** 

**Shabbat Soiree\* Friday, July 25**<sup>th</sup> **at 5:45 PM.** Join us for a spiritual evening brimming with songs, socializing, and engaging activities for children. RSVP is required to attend. \$18 per Adult | \$12 per Kid. Food & drink to be served before the service and dessert will be served after the service. \*Sponsored by TE Men's Club

High Holy Days Ticket Requests | Due by Friday, August 8th. Tickets are not sent automatically. You must complete the High Holy Days 5786 form in order to receive tickets. In order to process your ticket request, full payment and/or financial arrangements\* for Membership Dues, additional High Holy Days tickets and Religious School Registration must be received by August 8th. Submit your ticket request today, CLICK HERE.

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