

Sepher Mishle (Proverbs)

Chapter 20

Shavua Reading Schedule (20th sidrah) - Prov 20

אֵלֶּין הַמָּה שְׁכָר וְכָל-שְׁגָנָה בֹּו לֹא יִחְקֹם: Prov20:1

1. lets **hayayin** homeh **shekar** w'**kal-shogeh** bo lo' **yech'kam**.

Prov20:1 Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler,
and whoever is intoxicated by it is not wise.

<20:1> ἀκόλαστον οἶνος καὶ ὑβριστικὸν μέθη,
πᾶς δὲ ὁ συμμειγνύμενος αὐτῇ οὐκ ἔσται σοφός.

1 akolaston oinos kai hybristikon methē,
Unrestrained wine and outrageous intoxication,
pas de ho symmeignymenos autē ouk estai sophos.
and all being laid waste shall not be wise.

בְּנָם כְּפִיר אִימָת מֶלֶךְ מַתְעַבֵּר חֹטֵא נְפַשְׁתָּו: 2

2. **naham kak'phir** 'eymath melek mith' ab'ro **chote'** naph'sho.

Prov20:2 The terror of a king is like the growling of a lion;
he who provokes him to anger forfeits his own soul.

<2> οὐ διαφέρει ἀπειλὴ βασιλέως θυμοῦ λέοντος,
ὁ δὲ παροξύνων αὐτὸν ἀμαρτάνει εἰς τὴν ἐαυτοῦ ψυχήν.

2 **ou diapherei apeilē basileōs thymou leontos**,
differs not The intimidation of a king from the rage of a lion;
ho de **paroxynōn auton hamartanei eis tēn heautou psychēn**.
and the one provoking him sins against his own soul.

גַּבְּד לְאִישׁ שְׁבַת מְרִיב וְכָל-אֹויל יִתְגַּלֵּע: 3

3. **kabod la'ish shebeth merib w'kal-'ewil yith'gala`**.

Prov20:3 Keeping away from strife is an honor for a man, but any fool shall quarrel.

<3> δόξα ἀνδρὶ ἀποστρέφεσθαι λοιδορίας, πᾶς δὲ ἄφρων τοιούτοις συμπλέκεται.

3 doxa andri apostrephesthai loidorias,
It is glory for man to turn from reviling;
pas de aphrōn toioutois sympleketai.
but every fool in such matters is closely joined.

דָּמָחֹרֶף עַצֵּל לְאִיחָרֵשׁ יִשְׁאָל בְּקָצֵר וְאַרְנוֹ: 4

4. **mechoreph `atsel lo'-yacharosh yish'al baqatsir wa'ayin**.

Prov20:4 The sluggard does not plow after the autumn,
so he begs during the harvest and has nothing.

<4> ὁνειδούμενος ὀκνηρὸς οὐκ αἰσχύνεται,
ώσαύτως καὶ ὁ δανυόμενος σῖτον ἐν ἀμήτῳ.

4 oneidizomenos oknēros ouk aischynetai,
Berating a lazy one does not shame him,
hōsautōs kai ho danizomenos siton en amētō.
likewise also the one borrowing grain in harvest.

הַמִּים עַמְקִים עֵצָה בְּלֶב־אִישׁ וְאִישׁ תְּבוֹנָה יַדְלֵבָה:
5. mayim `amuqim `etsah b'leb-`ish w'ish t'bunah yid'lenah.

Prov20:5 Counsel in the heart of a man is like deep water,
but a man of understanding draws it out.

<5> ὅδωρ βαθὺ βουλὴ ἐν καρδίᾳ ἀνδρός, ἀνὴρ δὲ φρόνιμος ἔξαντλήσει αὐτήν.

5 hydōr bathy boulē en kardiā andros,
water is deep Counsel for the heart of a man;
anēr de phronimos exantlēsei autēn.
man and an intelligent shall draw it out.

וְרַבְבָּדָם יִקְרָא אִישׁ חָסְדוֹ וְאִישׁ אֲמֻנוֹת מִרְמַצָּא:
6. rab-`adam yiqr'a 'ish chas'do w'ish 'emunim mi yim'tsa'.

Prov20:6 Most men proclaims his own kindness, but who can find a trustworthy man?

<6> μέγα ἄνθρωπος καὶ τίμιον ἀνὴρ ἐλεήμων, ἄνδρα δὲ πιστὸν ἔργον εὑρεῖν.

6 mega anthrōpos kai timion anēr eleēmōn,
A great man, and is precious man a merciful;
andra de piston ergon heurein.
man but a trustworthy it is work to find.

וְמַתְהַלֵּךְ בְּתַהֲמוֹ צָדִיק אֲשֶׁרִי בְּנָיו אֲחָרָיו:
7. mith'halek b'thumo tsadiq 'ash'rey banayu 'acharayu.

Prov20:7 A righteous man who walks in his integrity how blessed are his sons after him.

<7> ὁς ἀναστρέφεται ἀμωμος ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ,
μακαρίους τοὺς παῖδας αὐτοῦ καταλείψει.

7 hos anastrepetai amōmos en dikaiosynē,
The one who behaves unblemished in righteousness,
makarios tous paidas autou kataleipsei.
blessed his children shall leave.

חַמְלָק יוֹשֵׁב עַל־כְּפָא־דִין מֹרֶה בְּעִינָיו כָּל־רֹעֵה:
8. hamlek yoshev awl-kf'a-din morah be'einav cal-reuh.

8. melek yosheb `al-kise'-din m'zareh b`eynayu kal-ra`.

Prov20:8 A king who sits on the throne of justice disperses all evil with his eyes.

«8» ὅταν βασιλεὺς δίκαιος καθίσῃ ἐπὶ θρόνου,
οὐκ ἔναντιοῦται ἐν ὀφθαλμοῖς αὐτοῦ πᾶν πονηρόν.

8 hotan basileus dikaios kathisē epi thronou,
WheneveR king a just shall sit upon a throne,
ouk enantioutai en ophthalmois autou pan ponēron.
not withstands before his eyes any evil.

ט מִידֵי אָמַר זֶקְיָה לְבִי טְהָרָתִי מִחְטָאתִי:
:לְבִי טְהָרָתִי מִחְטָאתִי זֶקְיָה אָמַר זֶקְיָה לְבִי

9. mi-yo'mar zikithi libi tahar'ti mechata'thi.

Prov20:9 Who can say, I have cleansed my heart, I am pure from my sin?

«9» τίς καυχήσεται ἀγνῆν ἔχειν τὴν καρδίαν;
ἢ τίς παρρησιάσεται καθαρὸς εἶναι ἀπὸ ἀμαρτιῶν;
9 tis kauchēsetai hagnēn echein tēn kardian?

Who shall boast a pure to have heart?

ē tis parrēsiasetai katharos einai apo hamartion?
or who shall speak openly to be clean from sins?

«9»**a** κακολογοῦντος πατέρα ἢ μητέρα σβεσθήσεται λαμπτήρ,
αἱ δὲ κόραι τῶν ὀφθαλμῶν αὐτοῦ ὄψονται σκότος.

9ā kakologountos patera ē mētera sbesthēsetai lamptēr,
The lamp of him that reviles father or mother shall be put out,
hai de korai tōn ophthalmōn autou opsontai skotos.
and his eyeballs shall see darkness.

«9»**b** μερὶς ἐπισπουδαζομένη ἐν πρώτοις
ἐν τοῖς τελευταίοις οὐκ εὐλογηθήσεται.

9b meris epispoudazomenē en prōtois en tois teleutaiois ouk eulogēthēsetai.
A portion hastily gotten at first shall not be blessed in the end.

«9»**c** μὴ εἴπῃς Τείσομαι τὸν ἔχθρον.
ἀλλὰ ὑπόμεινον τὸν κύριον, ἵνα σοι βοηθήσῃ.
9c mē eipēs Teisomai ton echthron;
Say not, I shall avenge myself on my enemy;
alla hypomeinon ton kyrion, hina soi boēthēsē.
but wait on YHWH, that he may help you.

י אָבָן וְאָבָן אִיפָּה וְאִיפָּה תֹּעֲבַת יְהוָה גַּם־שְׁנִירָהּ:
:עֲבָנָה וְעֲבָנָה אִיפָּה וְאִיפָּה תֹּעֲבַת יְהוָה גַּם־שְׁנִירָהּ אָבָן וְאָבָן

10. 'eben wa'eben 'eyphah w'eyphah to`abath Yahúwah gam-sh'neyhem.

Prov20:10 A stone and a stone, an ephah and an ephah--
even both are abominable to **יְהוָה**.

«10» στάθμιον μέγα καὶ μικρὸν καὶ μέτρα δισσά,

ἀκάθαρτα ἐνώπιον κυρίου καὶ ἀμφότερα.

10 stathmion mega kai mikron kai metra dissia,

An untrue weight, great and small, and measures untrue double akatharta enōpion kyriou kai amphotera.

are unclean before YHWH – even both;

11 יא גם במעלליו יהנכר נער אמריך ואמרישר פעלו:

11. gam b'ma`alalayu yith'naker-na`ar 'im-zak w'im-yashar pa`alo.

Prov20:11 Even a child is known by his acts whether his work is pure or upright.

¶**11** καὶ ὁ ποιῶν αὐτὰ ἐν τοῖς ἐπιτηδεύμασιν αὐτοῦ συμποδισθήσεται,
νεανίσκος μετὰ ὀσίου, καὶ εὐθεῖα ἡ ὁδὸς αὐτοῦ.

**11 kai ho poiōn auta en tois epitēdeumasin autou sympodisthēsetai,
even the one making them in his practices shall be bound hand and foot
neaniskos meta hosiou, kai eutheia hē hodos autou.**

The young man with a sacred man and I shall be straight his way.

יב אָז שְׁמַעַת וְעַזְןָ רֹאֶה יְהוָה עֲשָׂה גַּם-שְׁנִיהֶם:

12. 'ozen shoma`ath w`ayin ro'ah Yahúwah `asah gam-sh'neyhem.

Prov20:12 The hearing ear and the seeing eye,  has even made both of them.

•**12** οὓς ἀκούει καὶ ὁφθαλμὸς ὁρᾷ· κυρίου ἔργα καὶ ἀμφότερα.

12 **ous akouei kai ophthalmos hora; kyriou erga kai amphotera.**
The ear hears, and the eye sees; of YHWH are the works and both.

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יג אל-תִּאָהֶב שָׁנָה פָּז-תִּרְשׁ פְּקַח עַיִּגִּיך שְׁבַע-לְחָם:

13. 'al-te'ehab shenah pen-tiuaresh p'qach `eyneyak s'ba`-lachem.

Prov20:13 Do not love sleep, lest you become poor; open your eyes, and you shall be satisfied with bread.

¶**13** μὴ ἀγάπα καταλαλεῖν, ἵνα μὴ ἔξαρθῃ

διάνοιξον τοὺς ὄφθαλμούς σου καὶ ἐμπλήσθητι ἄρτων.

13 mē agapa katalalein, hina mē exarthēs;

Do not love to speak ill! that you should not be lifted away;

eyes, and be filled up with bread loaves!

לֹא לְזַלֵּל אָז יִתְהַלֵּל:

14. **ra ra yo mar naqoneh w ozel lo az yith halal.**

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טו ייש זהב ורב-פנינים וכלי יקר שפטיך דעת:

15. yesh zahab w'rab-p'ninim uk'li y'qar siph'they-da`ath.

Prov20:15 There is gold, and an abundance of gems; but the lips of knowledge are rare jewel.

16. I'qach-big'do ki-`arab zar ub'ad nak'rim chab'lehu.

Prov20:16 Take his garment when he becomes surety for a stranger; and for foreigners, hold him in pledge.

17 יְזַעֲרֵב לְאִישׁ לְחַם שֶׁקֶר וְאַחֲרֵי יְמֻלָּא בְּפִידֹה חַצִּים

17. `areb la'ish lechem shaqer w'achar yimale'-phihu chatsats.

Prov20:17 Bread of falsehood is sweet to a man,
but afterward his mouth shall be filled with gravel.

18 יְהוָה שׁבֵּת בְּעֵצֶה תִּכְזֹּב וּבְתְּחִלּוֹת עָשָׂה מַלְּחָמָה:

18. machashaboth b'etsah thikon ub'thach'buloth `aseh mil'chamah.

Prov20:18 Purposes are established in counsel, and make war with wise guidance.

19 יט גולדה-סוד הולך רכיבל ולפתח שפטיו לא תתערב:

19. goleh-sod holek rakil ul'photheh s'phathayu lo' thith' `arab.

Prov20:19 A revealer of secrets walks about as a gossip; so do not associate with him who opens his lips wide.

כ מקהל אביו ואמו ידעך גרו באישון חshed:

20. m'qalel 'abiu w'imо yid'ak nero b'ishon choshek.

Prov20:20 He who curses his father or his mother,
his lamp shall go out in time of darkness.

21. nachalq̥h m'bucheleth b̥gri'shongh w'aqcharithq̥h lo' th'bɔrgk.

Prov20:21 An inheritance gained hurriedly at the beginning shall not be blessed in the end.

כב אל-תאמר אֲשֶׁל מֵהֶרְבָּע קֹה לִיהוָה וַיָּשַׁע לְךָ:

22. 'al-to'mar 'ashal'mah-ra` qauueh laYahúwah w'yosha` lak.

Prov20:22 Do not say, I shall repay evil; wait for יְהוָה, and He shall save you.

כִּנְתֹּעֶבֶת יְהוָה אָבֵן וְאָבֵן וּמְאַזְנֵי מְרַמָּה לְאַטּוֹב:
23 ×פָּזָב כְּלַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה :

23. to` abath Yahúwah 'eben wa'aben umo'z'ney mir'mah lo'-tob.

Prov20:23 A stone and a stone are an abomination to יְהוָה,
and a false balance is not good.

<23> βδέλυγμα κυρίῳ διστὸν στάθμιον, καὶ ζυγὸς δόλιος οὐ καλὸν ἐνώπιον αὐτοῦ.

23 bdelygma kyriō disson stathmion,
is an abomination to YHWH A double weight;
kai zygos dolios ou kalon enōpion autou.
and yoke balance scale a deceitful is not good before him.

כִּד מִיהָנָה מֵצָעֵדִי-גָּבֵר וְאָדָם מִהְדִּיבִין בְּרַכּוֹ:
24 ×עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה :

24. meYahúwah mits'`adey-gaber w'adam mah-yabin dar'ko.

Prov20:24 Man's steps are from יְהוָה, how then can man understand his way?

<24> παρὰ κυρίου εὐθύνεται τὰ διαβήματα ἀνδρί·
θνητὸς δὲ πῶς ἂν νοήσαι τὰς ὁδοὺς αὐτοῦ;
24 para kyrion euthynetai ta diabēmata andri;
by YHWH are straightened The footsteps of a man;
thnētos de pōs an noēsai tas hodous autou?
but a mortal, how can he comprehend his ways?

כִּה מַזְקֵשׁ אָדָם יָלַע קְדֻשָּׁה וְאַחֲרֵנְדָּרִים לְבָקָרִים:
25 ×עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה :

25. moqesh 'adam yala` qodesh w'achar n'darim l'baqr.

Prov20:25 It is a trap for a man to say rashly, It is holy!
And after the vows to make inquiry.

<25> παγὶς ἀνδρὶ ταχύ τι τῶν ἴδιων ἀγιάσαι·
μετὰ γὰρ τὸ εὔξασθαι μετανοεῖν γίνεται.

25 pagis andri tachy ti tōn idiōn hagiasai;
It is a snare to a man quickly anything of his own to sanctify;
meta gar to euxasthai metanoein ginetai.
for after vowing it, changing the mind happens.

כֹּו מַזְרָחָה רְשָׁעִים מֶלֶךְ חָכָם וַיַּשֵּׁב עַלְיָהֶם אָוֹפָן:
26 ×עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה עֲדַיְלָה :

26. m'zareh r'sha`im melek chakam wayasheb `aleym 'ophan.

Prov20:26 A wise king winnows the wicked, and turns the wheel over them.

<26> λικμήτωρ ἀσεβῶν βασιλεὺς σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιβαλεῖ αὐτοὺς τροχόν.

26 likmētōr asebōn basileus sophos kai epibalei autois trochon.

is a winnower of the impious king A wise; and he puts to them the wheel.

כֹּזֶר יְהוָה נִשְׁמַת אָדָם חָפֵשׂ כָּל־חֲדָרִי־בָּטָן:

27. ner Yahúwah nish'math 'adam chophes kal-chad'rey-baten.

Prov20:27 The breath of man is the lamp of his belly,
searching all the innermost parts of his belly.

<27> φῶς κυρίου πνοὴ ἀνθρώπων, ὃς ἐρευνᾷ ταμίεια κοιλίας.

27 phōs kyriou pnoē anthrōpōn,
The light of YHWH is the breath of men,
hos ereunā tamieia koiliās.
which searches the storerooms of the bellies.

כָּחֶסֶד וְאֶמֶת יִצְרוֹן־מֶלֶךְ וְסֻעַד בְּחֶסֶד כְּסָאוֹ:

28. chesed we'emeth yits'ru-melek w'sa`ad bachedes kis'o.

Prov20:28 Loyalty and truth preserve the king, and he upholds his throne by mercy

<28> ἐλεημοσύνῃ καὶ ἀλήθειᾳ φυλακὴ βασιλεῖ
καὶ περικυκλώσουσιν ἐν δικαιοσύνῃ τὸν θρόνον αὐτοῦ.

28 eleēmosynē kai alētheia phylakē basilei
Charity and truth are a guard to a king,
kai perikyklosousin en dikaiosynē ton thronon autou.
and they shall surround in righteousness his throne.

כְּתָפְאָרָת בְּחוּרִים כְּחַם וְהַדָּר זְקָנִים שִׁיבָּה:

29. tiph'reeth bachurim kocham wahadar z'qenim seyah.

Prov20:29 The glory of young men is their strength,
and the honor of old men is the gray hair.

<29> κόσμος νεανίαις σοφία, δόξα δὲ πρεσβυτέρων πολιαί.
29 kosmos neaniais sophia,
An ornament to young men is wisdom;
doxa de presbyterōn poliai.
and the glory of older men is gray hair.

לְחֶבְרוֹת פְּצָע תְּמִרִיך בְּרַע וּמְכוֹת חֲדָרִי־בָּטָן:

30. chaburoth petsa` tam'riq b'rā` umakoth chad'rey-baten.

Prov20:30 The stripes of a wound scour away evil,
and strokes reach the innermost parts of the belly.

<30> ὑπώπτια καὶ συντρίμματα συναντᾶ κακοῖς, πληγαὶ δὲ εἰς ταμίεια κοιλίας.

30 hypōpia kai syntrimmata synant̄ kakois,
Bruises and breaks meet with bad men;
plēgai de eis tamieia koilias.
and calamities shall come to the storerooms of their bellies.