

**Sefer Bamidbar - one book, two books, or three? /shiur #5**  
**The korbanot in Parshat Pinchas : where do they belong?**

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**INTRODUCTION**

*Chapter 28 & 29 is the most read publicly section of the Bible, for we lein from it on every Rosh Chodesh and Yom tov, and quote from it during our Musaf prayers. To understand why, today's shiur will attempt to explain why it might belong in many of the books, but why at end, these laws are recorded davka in Sefer Bamidbar*

**Review -**

**In previous shiurim, we demonstrated how the ongoing narrative of Sefer Bamidbar is consistently ‘interrupted’ with various law section that clearly belong in Sefer Vayikra.**

**In today’s shiur, we focus on the most famous ‘interruption’ – i.e. the laws of Tmidim u’Musafim- found in chapters 28 & 29, which we quote from every time we doven Musaf, and we read from in either the only or the extra Sefer Torah that we read from publicly on the holidays & on Rosh Chodesh.**

**A. The end of Sefer Bamidbar, in chronological order**

		<b>LAWS GIVEN AT SINAI</b>
<b>28-29</b>		Laws of Tmidim u'Musafim (holidays)
<b>30</b>		Laws re: annulling vows
	<b>LAST STORY OF SIN &amp; PUNISHMENT</b>	
<b>25</b>	Sin of Bnei Yisrael with 'bnot Moav'; revenge taken by Pinchas etc.	
<b>31</b>	War against Midyan	
	<b>TRANSITION</b>	
<b>32</b>	Inheritance taken by Reuven, Gad & Menashe; & their promise to fight....	
<b>33</b>	Summary of Travel thru the desert Concluding with law to conquer the Land	
<b>34</b>	Borders of Eretz Cannan (to conquer)	
<b>35</b>	Cities of Levites & Cities of Refuge	
<b>** 26</b>	The census – “mifkad ha'nachalot”	
<b>** 27a</b>	Daughters of Tzlofchad request 'nachala';	
<b>36</b>	Bnot Tzlofchad - protecting inheritance	
<b>** 27b</b>	Moshe is told to die, Yehoshua appointed	

**In contrast to actual order of chapters below**

**Note how chapters 28-29 follow the census [that belonged later ]**

## Sefer Bamidbar - What 'belongs' & what doesn't!

Chapter	Ongoing Narrative	Mitzvot l'dorot ( <i>Commandments</i> )
**	<b><i>Preparing to leave Har Sinai</i></b>	
1->4	Organizing the camp, army etc.	
5		Laws of "asham" * "sotah"
6		Laws of "nazir" & birkat kohanim
7	Dedication of Mishkan by the Nsiim	
8	Ceremony for Leviim, replacing bchorim	
9	Pesach in the desert; instructions on how to travel following the 'anan'	[Pesach sheni/ reason for delay?]
10	Using the "chatzrotot" for travel signals; Travel begins on 20 Iyar; "va'yhi b'nsoa"	
**	<b><i>Failure of first generation</i></b>	
11	<b>Sin</b> of the "mitavim"; 70 elders appointed	
12	<b>Sin</b> of Miriam, talking against Moshe	
13-14	<b>Sin</b> of the spies; & the "maapilim"	
15		Laws re: korbanot, taking challa, Sanhedrin, shabbat, & tzizit
16-17	Korach's <b>rebellion</b> ; test of the 12 staffs	
18		Laws re: Compensation for shevet Levi
19		Laws re: 'para aduma' / "tumat meyt"
20	Moshe & Aharon's <b>sin</b> at Mei Meriva; Fortieth year/ journey around Har Seir	
21	War with Arad; <b>sin</b> of "nachash nchoshet" War with Sichon/ Conquer of Transjordan	
22-24	Story of Bilam & Balak	
25	<b>Sin</b> of Bnei Yisrael with 'bnot Moav'; revenge taken by Pinchas etc.	
**	<b><i>Preparing to Enter Canaan</i></b>	
26	Census, who will inherit the land	
27	Daughters of Tzlofchad request 'nachala'; Moshe is told to die, Yehoshua appointed	
28-29		Laws of Tmidim u'Musafim (holidays)
30		Laws re: annulling vows
31	War against Midyan	
32	Inheritance taken by Reuven, Gad & Menashe; & their promise to fight....	
33	Summary of Travel thru the desert	[ <i>Commandment to conquer the land?</i> ]
34	Borders of Eretz Cannan (to conquer)	
35	Cities of Levites & Cities of Refuge	
36	Bnot Tzlofchad - protecting inheritance	

## **II. Where these laws belong**

**Discuss – why possibly in Shmot chapter 23:13-19**

**Or Vayikra chapter 23**

**Or Devarim chapter 16**

**Then explain why they form a unique unit**

**The topic is not holidays, but rather the DAILY korban Tamid**

**Then, each holiday requires that we offer something ADDITIONAL**

**However note the pattern and the content**

**Each holiday has an extra OLAH & mincha & nesachim**

**The Olah usually contains “parim” eilim & kvasim**

**Bulls, rams & sheep**

**Most all holiday include an additonal “chatat” from a ‘scape-goat’**

**Finally,**

**Note the ‘names of the holidays,**

**Consider is that their title/ purpose/ or what we do on them**

**Compare with Parshat Emor – vayikra chapter 23**

### III. Stories in Chumash that explain the korban Musaf

#### 1. The 'korban tzibur' on the holidays - Bamidbar chapter 29

י"א וּבְרֵאשִׁי, חֲדָשִׁיכֶם--תִּקְרִיבוּ עֲלֶיהָ, לַיהוָה: פָּרִים בְּנֵי-בָקָר שְׁנַיִם וְאֵילָאָחָד, כְּבָשִׂים בְּנֵי-שָׁנָה שִׁבְעָה תְּמִימִם.... טו וּשְׁעִיר עֲזִים אֶחָד לְחֻטָּאת...

#### 2. The Akeyda - Breishit chapter 22

י"ג וַיֵּשָׂא אַבְרָהָם אֶת-עֵינָיו, וַיֵּרָא וְהִנֵּה-אֵילָא, אַחַר, נֶאֱחָז בְּסַבָּךְ בְּקֶרְנָיו; וַיֵּלֶךְ אַבְרָהָם וַיִּקַּח אֶת-הָאֵילָא, וַיַּעֲלֵהוּ לְעֹלָה תַּחַת בְּנוֹ.

#### 3. The treaty between Avraham & Avimelech - Breishit chapter 21

כ"ב וַיְהִי, בְּעֵת הַהוּא, וַיֹּאמֶר אַבְיִמֶלֶךְ וּפִיכַל שֵׁר-צָבָאוּ, אֶל-אַבְרָהָם לֵאמֹר:  
אֱלֹהִים עִמָּךְ, בְּכֹל אֲשֶׁר-אַתָּה עֹשֶׂה. כ"ג וְעַתָּה, הַשְׁבֵּעַה לִּי.... כ"ד וַיֵּצֵב אַבְרָהָם, אֶת-שִׁבְעַת כְּבָשֹׁת הַצֹּאן--לְבִדְהָן. כ"ט וַיֹּאמֶר אַבְיִמֶלֶךְ:- מָה הִנֵּה, שִׁבְעַת כְּבָשֹׁת הָאֵלֶּה, אֲשֶׁר הִצַּבְתָּ, לְבִדְהָן.... ל"ב וַיִּכְרְתוּ בְרִית, בֵּבְאָר שִׁבְעַת.... ל"ג וַיִּטַּע אֶשְׁלָא, בֵּבְאָר שִׁבְעַת; וַיִּקְרָא-שֵׁם--בְּשֵׁם ה', אֵל עֹלָם

#### 4. Yosef & his brothers - Breishit chapter 37

בראשית פרק לו . לא וַיִּקְחוּ, אֶת-כְּתָנֶת יוֹסֵף; וַיִּשְׁחָטוּ שְׁעִיר עֲזִים, וַיִּטְבְּלוּ אֶת-הַכְּתָנֶת בַּדָּם. ל"ב וַיִּשְׁלְחוּ אֶת-כְּתָנֶת הַפִּסִּים, וַיָּבִיאוּ אֶל-אַבְיָהֶם, וַיֹּאמְרוּ, זֹאת מָצָאנוּ: הֶכֶר-נָא, הַכְּתָנֶת בְּנֶדֶךָ הוּא--אִם-לֹא....

#### 5. Brit Sinai - "naase v'nishma - Shmot 24:7 !

שמות פרק כ"ד . ד וַיִּכְתֹּב מֹשֶׁה, אֶת כָּל-דִּבְרֵי ה', וַיִּשְׁכֵּם בַּבֹּקֶר, וַיָּבִין מִזִּבְחַתַּח הָהָר; וּשְׁתִּים עֶשְׂרֵה מִצְבָּה, לְשָׁנַיִם עָשָׂר שְׁבִטֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל. ה וַיִּשְׁלַח, אֶת-נְעָרֵי בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל, וַיַּעֲלוּ, עֹלֹת; וַיִּזְבְּחוּ זְבָחִים שְׁלָמִים, לַה'--פָּרִים.  
ז וַיִּקַּח סֵפֶר הַבְּרִית, וַיִּקְרָא בְּאָזְנֵי הָעָם; וַיֹּאמְרוּ, כָּל אֲשֶׁר-דִּבֶּר ה' נַעֲשֶׂה וְנִשְׁמָע...