Torah Studies – Statutes #471-472

Statute Summary:

(#471) Yahweh's Mark of Authority, Honor and Character is His Name. The Name that God uses to demonstrate that He is everything we will ever need is: Hayahasherhayah (this is Yahweh's 42-letter Name – 42 letters when written in Hebrew). (#472) This Name is Yahweh's Memorial.

Exodus 3:13-15 "And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is His **Name**? What shall I say unto them? And God said unto Moses, **I AM THAT I AM**: and He said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The **LORD God** of your **fathers**, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is My Name **for ever**, and this is My **Memorial** unto **all generations**."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
NAME	H8034	shêm	a mark or memorial of individuality; <i>honor</i> , <i>authority</i> , <i>character</i> : - name, renown, report
I AM	H1961	hâyâh	to exist, be or become, come to pass, beacon, quit (one-) self, require, use
THAT	Н834	'ăsher	(of every gender and number); who, which, what, that
LORD	Н3068	y ^e hôvâh	self Existent or eternal; Jehovah, Jewish national name of God: - Jehovah, the Lord
GOD	H430	'ĕlôhîym	<i>gods</i> in the ordinary sense; but specifically used of the supreme <i>God</i> ; (very) great, mighty
FATHERS	Н1	'âb	father in a literal and immediate, or figurative and remote application: - chief, fore-father patrimony, principal
FOR EVER	H5769	ʻôlâm	concealed, time out of mind (past or future), eternity; always, ancient (time), any more, continuance, eternal, world without end
MEMORIAL	H2143	zêker	a memento, commemoration: - memorial, memory, remembrance, scent
ALL GENERATIONS	H1755	dôr	a <i>revolution</i> of time, that is, an <i>age</i> or generation; evermore, generation, posterity

Synthesis:

<u>Directions:</u> Rewrite this Scripture in your own words, using the fuller meanings you gained from the Key Word Study. Highlight the concept which most stands out to you. Pray and meditate on it today.

And God said unto Moses, <u>I AM THAT I AM</u>: and He said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. And God said moreover unto Moses, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, The <u>LORD God</u> of your <u>fathers</u>, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath sent me unto you: this is My Name <u>for ever</u>, and this is My <u>Memorial</u> unto <u>all generations</u>

3rd Commandment

Torah Studies – Statutes #473-476

Statute Summary:

(#473) The formerly non-Torah keeping visitor may keep the Passover with you, if they will first be circumcised. (Remember that circumcision is predominantly a spiritual heart condition — See Deuteronomy 30:6 and Romans 2:28-29). (#474) No uncircumcised person may partake of the Passover with you (literally or spiritually). (#475) There is only one Law. (#476) The principles of the Torah apply to everyone equally.

Exodus 12:48-49 "And when a **stranger** shall **sojourn** with thee, and will **keep** the Passover to the LORD, let all his males be circumcised, and then let him **come near** and keep it; and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person **shall eat** thereof. One **Law** shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
STRANGER	H1616	gêr	properly a <i>guest</i> ; by implication a <i>foreigner: -</i> alien, sojourner, stranger
SOJOURN	H1481	gûr	to turn aside from the road (for a lodging or any other purpose), that is, sojourn (as a guest); also to shrink, fear (as in a strange place) [God's people are to open their homes to travelling guests and refugees seeking sanctuary alike]
KEEP	H6213	`âśâh	to <i>do</i> or <i>make</i> hold ([a feast]) to pass, perform, practice, prepare
COME NEAR	H7126	qârab	to approach (causatively bring near), come (near, nigh), be at hand, join, be near, offer, present, produce, make ready, stand, take
SHALL EAT	H398	'âkal	to <i>eat</i> (literally or figuratively) burn up, consume, devour, dine, eat, feed (with)
LAW	H8451	tôrâh	a precept or statute, especially the Decalogue or Pentateuch: - law

Synthesis:

<u>Directions:</u> Rewrite this Scripture in your own words, using the fuller meanings you gained from the Key Word Study. Highlight the concept which most stands out to you. Pray and meditate on it today.

The Passover is a special celebration – a holy *mo'edim* (feast – see Leviticus 23). It is not a feast exclusively for Jews. Anyone, even a stranger, may keep it. But, all people are to keep this feast, having first been spiritually and physically circumcised. Unless we have our sinfulness cleansed away and completely removed, we cannot eat the Passover or partake of its spiritual blessing (see 1 Corinthians 11:23-30). There is only one Law. Yahweh doesn't change the Torah Rules for the heathen. Jew, Gentile, etc. are all called by God to keep His *Torah*. It is binding for everyone alike.

4th Commandment

Torah Studies – Statutes #477-478

Statute Summary:

(#477) In recognition of the reality that Yahweh is exclusively God; the Torah judgments, penalties, privileges, ordinances, customs and ceremonies are to be kept by all. (#478) There is not a different set of instructions or rules for Christians or heathen, Gentiles or Jews. Yahweh has only one Standard which applies to every human alike.

<u>Leviticus 24:22</u> "Ye shall have <u>one manner of Law</u>, as well for the <u>stranger</u>, as for <u>one of your own country</u>: for I Am the LORD your God."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
ONE MANNER OF LAW	H4941	mishpâṭ	a verdict (favorable or unfavorable) pronounced judicially, especially a sentence or formal decree (human or (particularly) Divine Law, individual or collectively), including the act, the place, the suit, the crime, and the penalty; abstractly justice, including a particular right, or privilege (statutory or customary), or even a style ceremony, custom, form, to be judged, judgment, ordinance, right, sentence
STRANGER	H1616	gare	a <i>guest</i> ; by implication a <i>foreigner:</i> - alien, sojourner, stranger
ONE OF YOUR OWN COUNTRY	H249	'ezrâch	a spontaneous <i>growth</i> , that is, <i>native</i> (tree or persons): - bay tree, (home-) born (in the land), of the (one's own) country (nation)

Synthesis:

<u>Directions:</u> Rewrite this Scripture in your own words, using the fuller meanings you gained from the Key Word Study. Highlight the concept which most stands out to you. Pray and meditate on it today.

Yahweh is exclusively God. When people recognize this fact, they will demonstrate this understanding by keeping His Torah. The same judgments, privileges, decrees, ceremonies (holy Days) and ordinances apply to everyone no matter what their nationality, religious affiliation, or gender. Whether a person is a Jew (Scripturally likened to the natural olive – see Romans 11:24) or a Gentile (a "wild olive" branch), God and His loving Ordinances are the same, equally applying to all.

Torah Studies – Statutes #479-483

Statute Summary:

(#479) Give unto Yahweh your deepest and most supreme affection and devotion. (#480) Conduct your life, in every aspect, according to the Customs and Ways of Heaven. (#481) Keep Yahweh's Commandments, Statutes and Judgments, clearly given in the Torah. (#482) Obey Yahweh's Voice. (#483) Cleave unto Yahweh. Since Yahweh is the Source of Life, we can only have Life through Him.

<u>Deuteronomy 30:15-20</u> "See, I have set before thee this day <u>life</u> and <u>good</u>, and <u>death</u> and <u>evil</u>; in that I command thee this day to <u>love</u> the LORD thy God, to <u>walk</u> in His <u>Ways</u>, and to <u>keep</u> His Commandments and His Statutes and His Judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it. But if <u>thine heart turn away</u>, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it. I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest <u>obey</u> His Voice, and that thou mayest <u>cleave</u> unto Him: for He is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
LIFE	H2416	chay	alive; fresh (plant, water, year), strong; life, whether literally or figuratively: company, congregation, lively, springing, troop
GOOD	H2896	ţôb	good, a good or good thing, a good man or woman; the good, or good things, (well): - beautiful, best, better, bountiful, pleasant, pleaseth, pleasure, precious, prosperity, ready, sweet, wealth, welfare, (be) well-favored
DEATH	H4194	mâveth	death (natural or violent); concretely the dead, their place or state (hades); figuratively pestilence, ruin
EVIL	H7451	râ'âh	Bad, evil (naturally or morally), adversity, affliction, bad, calamity, displeasure, distress, evil-favouredness, grief, harm, wretchedness
LOVE	H157	'âhab	to have affection for, beloved, like, friend

WALK	H1980	hâlak	to walk (literally and figuratively), behave (self), come, (on) continually, be conversant, exercise (self), follow, run (along), speedily, spread, tale-bearer, travel (-ler)
WAYS	H1870	derek	figuratively a <i>course</i> of life or <i>mode</i> of action, conversation, custom
KEEP	H8104	shâmar	to hedge about (as with thorns), guard; protect, attend to, beware, be circumspect, take heed (to self), keep (-er, self), mark, observe, preserve, regard, reserve, save (self), , watch, watchman
THINE HEART	H3824	lêbâb	the <i>heart</i> (as the most interior organ); bethink themselves, courage, tender-hearted, mind, understanding
TURN AWAY	Н6437	pânâh	to turn; to face, that is, appear, look, behold, cast out, come on, go away, regard, (have) respect (to), turn (aside, away, back)
OBEY	H8085	shâma [°]	to <i>hear</i> intelligently, obedience, attentively, declare, listen, obey, perceive, (make a) proclaim (-ation), publish, regard, tell, understand, witness.
CLEAVE	H1692	dâbaq	cling or adhere; figuratively to catch by pursuit: - abide, fast, cleave (fast together), follow close (hard, after), be joined (together), keep (fast), overtake, pursue hard

Judgments: (Blessings for Obedience)

We will live and our children will live. We will increase in prosperity and have enlarged borders. I will live long. And, ultimately, Yahweh will bless me in inheriting the Promised Land.

Judgments: (Cursings for Disobedience)

We will perish (die and be destroyed literally and figuratively). Our lifespans will be shortened. These curses extend to our children also (unless they are delivered from them).

1st Commandment

Torah Studies - Statutes #484-486

Statute Summary:

(#484) Acknowledge that Yahweh is the Almighty. (#485) Conduct yourself with the constant awareness that you are always in Yahweh's Presence. As such, be mindful of what pleases Him. (#486) In Yahweh, be perfect and without blemish, complete in integrity and Truth.

<u>Genesis 17:1-2</u> "And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I Am the Almighty God; <u>walk before</u> Me, and <u>be</u> thou <u>perfect</u>. And I will make My Covenant between Me and thee, and will multiply thee exceedingly."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
WALK	H1980	hâlak	to walk (literally and figuratively), behave (self), come, (on) continually, be conversant, exercise (self), follow, run (along), speedily, spread, tale-bearer, travel (-ler)
BEFORE	Н6440	pânîym	face, favour, fear of, please, presence
BE	H1961	hâyâh	be or become, come to pass, continue, follow, quit oneself
PERFECT	H8549	tâmîym	entire (literally, figuratively or morally); integrity, truth: - without blemish, complete, full, perfect, sincerely (-ity), sound, without spot, undefiled, upright (-ly), whole

Judgments: (Blessings for Obedience)

Yahweh will make His Covenant with us (considering us a spiritual seed of Abraham and heirs according to the Promise). We will be increased in prosperity and influence (not necessarily monetarily).

Synthesis:

Yahweh wants me to speedily pursue what pleases Him and exercise myself as one who knows I am continually in His Presence. In Him, I am to become without blemish and complete. I am to follow and abide in integrity and Truth. This is the kind of heart Yahweh's Eyes seek to find, looking to and fro throughout the Earth – 2 Chronicles 16:9, Micah 6:8, Acts 24:16

Torah Studies – Statutes #487-489

Statute Summary:

If you claim Yahweh to be your God, (#487) keep and do Yahweh's Commandments and Statutes with all your heart. (#488) Keep and do Yahweh's Commandments and Statutes with all your soul. (#489) Be holy unto Yahweh your God.

<u>Deuteronomy 26:16-19</u> "This day the LORD thy God hath commanded thee to do these Statutes and Judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all <u>thine heart</u>, and with all <u>thy soul</u>. Thou hast avouched the LORD this day to be thy God, and to walk in His Ways, and to keep His Statutes, and His Commandments, and His Judgments, and to hearken unto His Voice: And the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be His <u>peculiar</u> people, as He hath promised thee, and that thou shouldest keep all His Commandments; And to make thee high above all nations which He hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an <u>holy</u> people unto the LORD thy God, as He hath spoken."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
THINE HEART	H3824	lêbâb	the <i>heart</i> (as the most interior organ); bethink themselves, courage, tender-hearted, mind, understanding
THY SOUL	H5315	nephesh	Vitality (bodily or mental): any appetite, body, breath, desire, pleasure
PECULIAR	H5459	s ^e gûllâh	to <i>shut</i> up; <i>wealth</i> (as closely <i>shut</i> up): - jewel, peculiar (treasure), proper good, special
HOLY	H6918	qâdôsh	sacred (ceremonially or morally); (as noun) God (by eminence), an angel, a saint, a sanctuary: - holy (One), saint

Judgments: (Blessings for Obedience)

Yahweh claims His obedient children as a special treasure unto Himself. He promises to make such ones high above all other nations in praise, in name, and honor. And He will work in such ones to make them holy.

Synthesis:

Yahweh wants me to courageously guard and obey His Commandments and Statutes in my mind, understanding and heart. I am to seek to do His Will with every breath, counting His Will as my highest pleasure. I am to invite Him to work in me, through my Spirit-empowered obedience, setting me apart for holy use as His Sanctuary. This is what it really means to be a saint.

3rd Commandment

Torah Studies – Statutes #490-493

Statute Summary:

(#490) Guard yourself and be a good watchman. (#491) Keep your soul diligently to prevent forgetting what Yahweh has Commanded or the miracles He has done. (#492) Preserve the testimony of God's Deliverance in your memory. (#493) Preserve the testimony of God's Deliverance by teaching the stories to your children and grandchildren.

<u>Deuteronomy 4:8-10</u> "And what nation is there so great, that hath Statutes and Judgments so righteous as all this Law, which I set before you this day? Only <u>take heed</u> to thyself, and keep <u>thy soul diligently</u>, lest thou <u>forget</u> the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but teach them thy sons, and thy sons' sons."

Key Word Study: Directions: Look up each keyword (underlined in the verses above) in your Strong's Concordance. Fill in the table below.

Key Word	Strong's Number	Hebrew Word	Meaning
TAKE HEED	H8104	shâmar	to hedge about (as with thorns), guard; protect, attend to, beware, be circumspect, take heed (to self), keep (-er, self), mark, observe, preserve, regard, reserve, save (self), , watch, watchman
THY SOUL	H5315	nephesh	Vitality (bodily or mental): any appetite, body, breath, desire, pleasure
DILIGENTLY	Н3966	m ^e 'ôd	vehemently; wholly, speedily, especially, exceedingly, mightily
FORGET	H7911	shâkach	to <i>mislay</i> , to <i>be oblivious</i> of, from want of memory or attention: (cause to) forget

Synthesis:

Honor Yahweh by acknowledging and recognizing that His Law is perfect and totally righteous. No one has a better Law than Yahweh, nor could a better one be created. Be careful not to let your pleasure or desires slip away from the things of Yahweh. Guard your desires, emotions, thoughts and actions against forgetting Yahweh's mighty Deliverance. Never stop recounting these miracles, lest you become oblivious of them and unable to face the tests of today. We have nothing to fear from the future, except we forget how God has lead us in the past. Teach the God-glorifying miracles to our children and grandchildren.