

# Torah Focus

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KEEPING TRACK OF WHERE WE ARE ON THE CALENDER

## STUDY GUIDE #15

B'MIDBAR 19:1-20:13

YECHAZEL 36:16-38

TEHILLIM 110:1-7

BREANS 8:1-9:14

**Megillah 3:4** On the new moon of Adar which coincided with the Sabbath—they read the pericope of *Sheqels* [Ex. 30:11–16]. [If it came during the week, they push it up to [the Sabbath] which comes before, and on the next Sabbath suspend [reading the four pericope of Adar].

On the second Sabbath [they read], *Remember* [Dt. 25:17–19]. *Zachor*

On the third [they read] the pericope of the Parah Adamah (Red Cow) [Num. 19:1ff.].

On the fourth they read, *This month shall be unto you* [Ex. 12:1–20]. On the fifth they go back to the set order. At all times they suspend [interrupt the set order of the reading of the Torah]: for new moons, Hanukkah, Purim, fasts, set delegations [*maamads*], and for the Day of Atonement.

**3:5** At Passover they read the section, *The set feasts* [Lev. 23:4ff.], in the Torah of the Priests [= Leviticus].

At *Shavout*, they read, *Seven weeks* [Dt. 16:9ff.]. At the *Rosh HaShanah* they read, *In the seventh month, on the first day of the month* [Lev. 23:23ff.]. On the Yom Kippur they read, *After the death* [Lev. 16:1ff.].

On the first festival day of the *Festival Sukkot* they read the section, *The set feasts* [Lev. 23:33ff.], in the Torah of the Priests.

And on the other days of the Festival they read about the offerings of the Festival [Num. 29:17ff.].

**3:6** At Hanukkah [they read] *The princes* [Num. 7:1ff .

Vayikra 23:1-2 The L-RD spoke again to Moshe, saying, <sup>2</sup> "Speak to the Bne Yisrael and say to them, The L-RD'S appointed times (Moedim) which you shall proclaim as holy convocations (sacred gatherings) My appointed times (Moedim) are these:

At Purim [they read] *And Amalek came* [Ex. 17:8ff.]. On the new moons they read, *And on the first days of your months* [Num. 28:11].

At the set *maamad* they read the works of Creation [Gen. 1:1ff.].

At fasts they read the blessings and curses [Lev. 26, Dt. 28].

They do not break off in the reading of the curses, but one person reads all of them.

On Monday and Thursday and the Sabbath at the afternoon prayer they read according to the set order. And these are not taken into account [in the reading of the regular Sabbaths], since it says, *And Moshe declared to the Bne Yisrael the set feasts of the L-rd* (Lev. 23:44). Their religious requirement is that they should be read, each one in its time.