

## Teacher's Lesson Flow:

Tribes (Mattot) **מטות** Numbers 30:2-32:43 ~ Jeremiah 1:1-2:3 ~ John 18-19

Journeys (Massei) **מסעי** Number 33:1-36:13 ~ Jeremiah 2:4-28;3:4 ~ John 20-21

Life Verse Practice: Deuteronomy 6:5 (NKJV)

<sup>5</sup>And you must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength.

5.

### Reinforcing the WORD to Build "Banah" lives

- Quickly review Prayer and Praise Words to Thank YHVH God.
- Review Life Verse: Deuteronomy 6:5
- Review Hebrew letters and vocabulary.
- What does God want from His people?
- Can you love, obey and stay with more than 1 god?
- Is it good for us to bring into our lives just a little bit of what God says no to?
- Can you name the reasons why you love God and how He has shown His love for you?

4.

### New Testament "B'rit Chadashah"

- People also turned away from Yeshua  
– John 18:1, 11, 25-26, 18-19

### How to Love and Honor YHVH

**Start Here**

1.

### PRAISE "Hallel"

- Practice Prayer and Praise Words to the Lord Including the Fruit of the Spirit Definition and Hebrew Praise Word.
- Life Verse Practice
- Hebrew Writing Practice
- Read Story

3.

### Prophets/Writings "Haftarah"

- God remembers Israel's relationship with Him  
- Jeremiah 2:2-3
- God's discussion with Israel  
- Jeremiah 2:4-28
- Call to repent and return  
- Jeremiah 3:1-4

Children's work pages begin here!

2.

### God's Teachings / "Torah"

- Danger in relationships  
- Numbers 25:
- Way with the Midianites  
- Numbers 31:3-8, 16-24

## Teacher's Special Instructions

We start with a lesson on the Hebrew language. We will both write and speak Hebrew.

We do this for two reasons:

- 1) All students are at the same level in learning a new language, and they enjoy it.
- 2) It gives the students a chance to learn biblical truths embedded in the original language of the Hebrew Scriptures (Old Testament). Start by pointing out they are used to reading from left to right, but Hebrew reads from right to left. They also will need to write Hebrew from right to left.

### New Hebrew words transliterated

Mattot (Tribes)

Massei (Journeys)

YHVH (The LORD)

### Materials and Vocabulary:

- a. White board, black board or large easel and paper
- b. Markers
- c. Handouts or writing paper for the students
- d. Pens or pencils for the students
- e. The words used on their Hebrew writing pages are all words that are related to each individual lesson. Generally, a Hebrew word is chosen from the lesson and emphasized each week, both to teach character and increase understanding of the concepts being taught. New words will be in the box on the upper right of this page. Various names of God will also be taught in Hebrew.

### Preparation:

- a. Choose 2 or 3 Hebrew words from the Hebrew writing page(s). On the board, write the words in English and in the transliterated form given in the left column of the Hebrew writing page(s).
- b. Leave space to write the word in Hebrew.
- c. Explain that the letters they see on the page are written in book print like they might see on a sign, or that they would print themselves.

### Procedure:

- a. Demonstrate the writing procedure of two or three Hebrew words on the board. Have the students follow your directions on their work pages. Be sure to point out the special features of each letter.
- b. Then have the students try a few words on their own, or complete the rest of the page. The ability to finish the whole exercise will depend on how much time you have. (2 to 5 minutes time is needed to finish the page.)

Israeli street sign



**Games/Activities:** Normally games are played after children's work pages are complete.

## Prayer and Praise Words

(Thank you ...Bless you...)

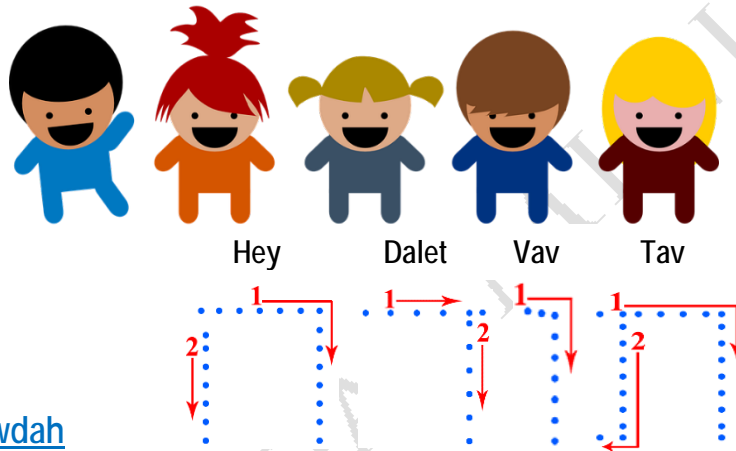
**KINDNESS:** THANK YOU, LORD, THAT YOUR HOLY SPIRIT HELPS ME TO THINK OF OTHERS AND TREAT THEM LIKE I WANT TO BE TREATED – WITH KINDNESS!

1. Let's thank God for one thing He has blessed you with this week.

Write your thank you here:

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PRAISE is a way to THANK GOD for HIS Goodness to us and others.



Praise word: Towdah

EXPRESS Adoration

Towdah means "an extension of the hand in adoration, affirmation or acceptance."

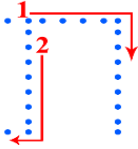

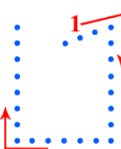
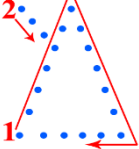

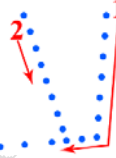
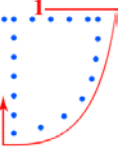
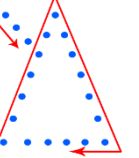
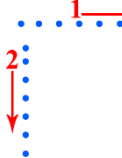

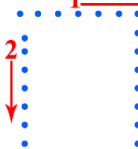

Psalm 116:17 (NKJV)

I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
And will call upon the name of the LORD.

Life Verse Practice: Deuteronomy 6:5 (NKJV)

<sup>5</sup>And you must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength.

## How to Love and Honor Yahweh

Hebrew/English	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <span>← Write and read Hebrew from right to left.</span> <span>← Start here</span> </div>
MATTOT (Tribes)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; text-align: center;"> <div>Tav </div> <div>Vav </div> <div>Tet </div> <div>Mem </div> </div>
Practice Writing	
MASSEI (Journeys)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; text-align: center;"> <div>Yood </div> <div>Ayin </div> <div>Samech </div> <div>Mem </div> </div>
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YHWH (The LORD)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; text-align: center;"> <div>Hey </div> <div>Vav </div> <div>Hey </div> <div>Yood </div> </div>
Practice Writing	

Mattot/Massaei – Tribes/Journeys  
Number 30:2-36:13; Jeremiah 2:4-28;3:4;4:1-2; John18-20

What does God want from his people? He wants us to love, obey and stay with Him, having NO OTHER gods! (Exodus 20:3)



But do God's people sometimes turn from their God? Yes, sadly, sometimes His people do wrong. They listen to someone other than God.

And so it was with Israel. They were persuaded to get involved with Midianite women.

God knew being involved with people who love other gods could destroy their relationship with Him. Remember how this involvement caused the death of 24,000 people!

(Numbers 25:18 and 3) Can you love, obey and stay with more than 1 god?

Now the time had come for the Israelites to get rid of the Midianites altogether. So the LORD told Moses – gather an army of 12,000 Israelites, 1,000 from each tribe and go to war against the Midianites. Phineas then led this army with trumpets for signaling in his hand. The Midianite kings, the men and Balaam were all killed in this war Israel took all the women, children, herds, flocks and goods back to their people. (Numbers 31:1-11) But Moses was angry and said, Look, these women caused the children of Israel, through the counsel of Balaam, to trespass against the LORD in the incident of Peor, and there was a plague among the children of Israel. So he wanted only the virgin girls to be left alive. And everything else brought from the war was to be purified before coming into the camp. (Numbers 31:16-24)



Is it good for us to bring into our lives just a little bit of what God says “no” to?



Do you think God has feelings?

Well, God told Jeremiah the prophet that He remembered the kindness and the love His people had for Him, and how Israel was holiness to Him – They were totally separated just to God. But then God asks, What have I done wrong that now you are far from Me. You've gone away from Me, and you are following false gods. Even the priests did not call out for Me, and though they are suppose to know My teachings, they did not know Me!

My people have changed their gods! They have forsaken Me even though I led you in the way. (Jeremiah 2:4-28)

There are always consequences for turning away from God And God said, So trouble has come on you now! Your own wickedness will correct you, and your going to other gods will rebuke you. You have forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters, and the fear of the LORD is not in you. (Jeremiah 2:19 & 13)

But GOD IS SO MERCIFUL! He wants those who have gone away from Him to return to Him.

He says, Will you from this time cry to Me, saying, My Father, You are the guide of my youth. (Jeremiah 3:4)

Return to Me and throw your idols away. Nations who love the LORD are blessed and they glory in the LORD! (Jeremiah 4:1-4)

Can you think of ways that our nation needs to return to God?

Did people ever turn away from Yeshua? Sadly, yes. Judas betrayed Jesus and led the Roman soldiers to Him so they could arrest him.

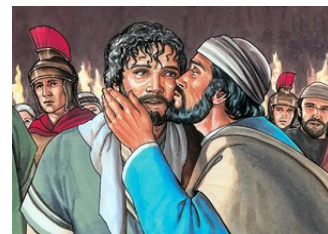
Peter one of His disciples who cut off the ear of one of the soldiers arresting Yeshua – denied even knowing Yeshua later that night.

(John 18:1,11,25-26)

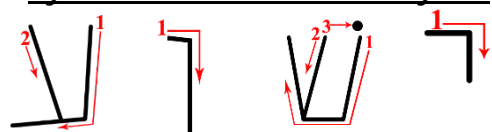
Soldiers beat Yeshua, the priests turned Yeshua over to the Roman officials so they would crucify Him. The common people cried out for Yeshua to be crucified! (John 18:18,19)

All of this and more happened to Yeshua even though Pilate, a Roman Ruler said, I find NO FAULT in Him! But Yeshua was crucified. He was nailed to a cross with a sign over his head that said: (John 19:19)

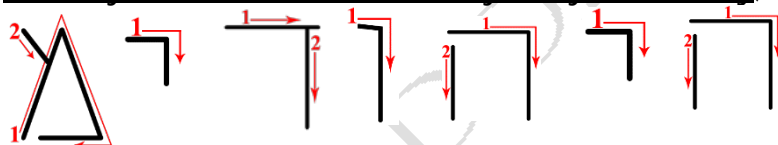
Yeshua (Jesus) of Nazareth the King of the Jews.



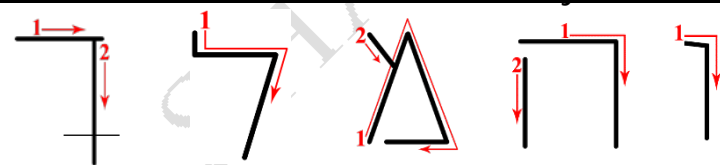
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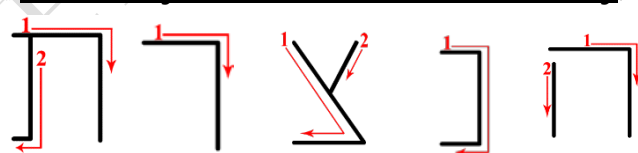
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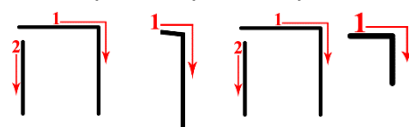


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When you take the first letter of each Hebrew word you have

!!HEY, VAV, HEY, YOOD



This is the name of God. Yeshua is God. He was crucified for you His blood covers our sins, so when we ask for forgiveness we can return to God!

Can you begin to name the reasons why you love God and how He has shown His love for you!

What does God want from his people? Circle Answers.

TORAH (God's Teachings/Laws) Deuteronomy 6:5 (NKJV)

And you must love the LORD your God  
with all your heart, all your soul, and all your strength.

Draw a picture of you!



Thinking,  
Emotions  
Attitudes

TORAH (God's Teachings/Laws) Exodus 20:1-5 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup> And God spoke all these words, saying:

<sup>2</sup> "I *am* the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt,  
out of the house of bondage.

<sup>3</sup> "You shall have no other gods before Me.

<sup>4</sup> "You shall not make for yourself a carved image—any likeness *of anything*  
that *is* in heaven above, or that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water  
under the earth;



But do God's people sometimes  
turn from their God?

YES or NO





Yes, sadly, sometimes the LORD God's people do wrong.

1. Has someone tried to tell you to do something wrong that you knew was not the LORD's way? YES or NO
2. What do you do when someone wants you to disobey the LORD God and follow the wrong way? (tell your friend your answer)

TORAH (God's Instructions/Law) Numbers 25:3 (NKJV)

<sup>3</sup> So Israel was joined to Baal of Peor, and the anger of the LORD was aroused against Israel.



And so, it was with Israel.



They listened to someone other than the LORD God.

God knew being involved with people and nations  
who love other gods could destroy their relationship  
with Him and cause His people, hurt, pain,  
and even death.



TORAH (God's Instructions/Law) Numbers 25:18

3. Can you love and obey more than 1 god? YES or NO



The LORD told Moses – gather an army of 12,000 Israelites, 1,000 from each tribe and go to war against the Midianites because they had caused the people of Israel to follow another god and do evil in the LORD's sight.



**TORAH (God's Instructions/Laws)**  
**Numbers 31:3-6 (NKJV)**

<sup>3</sup> So Moses spoke to the people, saying, "Arm some of yourselves for war, and let them go against the Midianites to take vengeance for the LORD on Midian.

<sup>4</sup> A thousand from each tribe of all the tribes of Israel you shall send to the war."

<sup>5</sup> So there were recruited from the divisions of Israel one thousand from *each* tribe, twelve thousand armed for war.

<sup>6</sup> Then Moses sent them to the war, one thousand from *each* tribe; he sent them to the war with Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest, with the holy articles and the signal trumpets in his hand.

**TORAH (God's Instructions/Law) Numbers 31:16**

<sup>16</sup> "These were the ones who followed Balaam's advice and enticed the Israelites to be unfaithful to the LORD in the Peor incident, so that a plague struck the LORD's people.

1. Is it good for us to bring into our lives just a little bit of what the LORD God says "no" to?

YES or NO

2. Do you think the LORD God has feelings?

YES or NO



## HAFTARAH (Prophets/Writings) Jeremiah 2:2-3

<sup>2</sup> "Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem: "This is what the LORD says:

"I remember the devotion of your youth, how as a bride you loved Me and followed Me through the wilderness, through a land not sown.

<sup>3</sup> Israel was holy to the LORD, the firstfruits of his harvest; all who devoured her were held guilty, and disaster overtook them," declares the LORD.

Consequences

Tov (good)

or Rah (evil)

choices



1. In Verse 2 did the children of Israel make choices for good or evil?
2. Underline the choice the children of Israel made.
3. Read aloud verse 3 and tell your friend what happened when Israel pleased God?

<sup>5</sup> This is what the LORD says: "What fault did your ancestors find in Me, that they strayed so far from Me? They followed worthless idols and became worthless themselves.

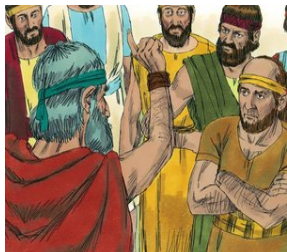
<sup>11</sup> Has a nation ever changed its gods? (Yet they are not gods at all.) But my people have exchanged their glorious God for worthless idols.

Israel did not know ME!  
My people  
have changed their gods!  
They have forsaken Me  
even though  
I led you in the way.



4. Read verse 5 and 11, did Israel make a Tov(good) or Rah(evil) choice?
5. Underline the consequences of Israel making and evil choice in verse 5

### HAFTARAH (God's Instructions/Laws) Jeremiah 2:19



<sup>19</sup> Your wickedness will punish you; your backsliding will rebuke you.

Consider then and realize how evil and bitter it is for you  
when you forsake the LORD your God and have no awe of Me,"  
declares the Lord, the LORD Almighty.

1. Circle the 4 consequences for turning away from the LORD God in verse 19.

Wickedness means – foolish, misconduct, troublemaking, sinful, cursed, devilish

Backsliding means - turns away from God, ignore God's Word and Ways

Evil means - bad, damaging, hurtful, injurious, deadly

Bitter means - discontented, scornful, angry, cruel, cutting

### HAFTARAH (Prophets/Writings) Jeremiah 3:4-5 (ESV)

<sup>4</sup> Have you not just now called to me, 'My father, you are the friend of my youth—

<sup>5</sup> will he be angry forever, will he be indignant to the end?'

Behold, you have spoken, but you have done all the evil that you could."

1. Do you call the LORD God, My father and friend but choose to do evil like Israel did?

2. Do you put anything 1<sup>st</sup> before the LORD God? Friends, Phone, TV, Videos, Sports?

## Is there HOPE? – YES! The LORD God is so Merciful!

3. What (3) things does the LORD God want you to do in verse 1? Circle your answers.

### HAFTARAH (Prophets/Writings) Jeremiah 4:1-2

<sup>1</sup> O Israel, if you will truly return to Me and absolutely discard your idols,

<sup>2</sup> and if you will swear by Me alone, the Living God, and begin to live good, honest, clean lives,  
then you will be a testimony to the nations of the world, and they will come to Me and glorify  
My Name.

Opposite of Wickedness - serious, pure, goodness, righteousness

Opposite of Backsliding - saint, devoted to the LORD God and His Word and Ways

Opposite of Evil - good, useful, helpful, innocent, safe, healthy

Opposite of Bitter – hopeful, caring, forgiving, gentle, kind, loving, peaceful, joyful





## BRIT CHADASHAH (New Testament) John 17:25-26

- <sup>25</sup> "O righteous Father, the world doesn't know you, but I do;  
and these disciples know you sent me.  
<sup>26</sup> And I have revealed you to them and will keep on revealing you so  
that the mighty love you have for Me may be in them, and I in them."

Did people ever turn away from Yeshua (Jesus)? YES or NO

Tell the story of Passover meal with Yeshua



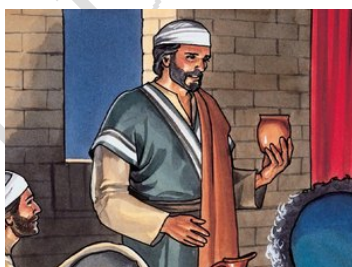
Yeshua said  
one of you will  
betray Me.



Yeshua said  
All of you  
will fall away  
from Me.



Peter said he would  
never fall away.  
Yeshua said to Peter you  
will deny Me 3 times.



Yeshua gave thanks broke the bread and  
said this is my body broken for you.  
Yeshua took the cup and giving thanks  
He said this is My blood,  
the blood of the covenant  
that is poured out for many.



After singing a hymn,  
Yeshua and His disciples went out  
to the Mount of Olives.

**BRIT CHADASHAH (New Testament) John 18:1-11** Tell the Story in the Garden



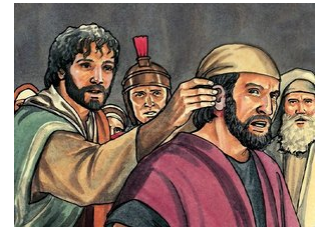
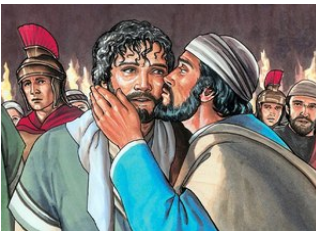
Yeshua said  
Watch and pray  
you do not fall into  
temptation.



<sup>1</sup> After saying these things Jesus crossed the Kidron ravine with his disciples and entered a grove of olive trees. <sup>2</sup> Judas, the betrayer, knew this place, for Jesus (Yeshua) had gone there many times with his disciples. <sup>3</sup> The chief priests and Pharisees had given Judas a squad of soldiers and police to accompany him. Now with blazing torches, lanterns, and weapons they arrived at the olive grove. <sup>4-5</sup> Jesus fully realized all that was going to happen to him. Stepping forward to meet them he asked, "Whom are you looking for?" "Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "I am He," Jesus said. <sup>6</sup> And as he said it, they all fell backwards to the ground! <sup>7</sup> Once more he asked them, "Whom are you searching for?" And again they replied, "Jesus of Nazareth." <sup>8</sup> "I told you I am he," Jesus said; "and since I am the one you are after, let these others go." <sup>9</sup> He did this to carry out the prophecy he had just made, "I have not lost a single one of those you gave me. . . ." <sup>10</sup> Then Simon Peter drew a sword and slashed off the right ear of Malchus, the High Priest's servant. <sup>11</sup> But Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword away. Shall I not drink from the cup the Father has given me?"

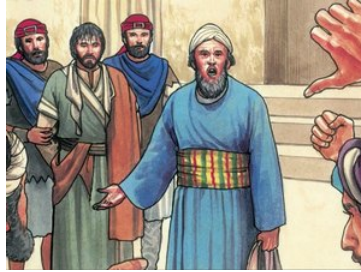


- ❖ Judas betrayed Yeshua with a kiss.
- ❖ Peter struck High Priest's slave, cutting off his ear. Yeshua healed the ear.
- ❖ Yeshua reminded the crowd, day after day He sat teaching in the temple but they did not arrest Him. But all this happened to fulfill scriptures of the prophets.
- ❖ Then all the disciples left Yeshua and ran away.

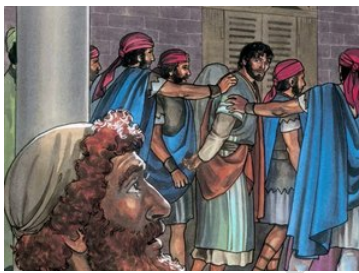




## Matthew 27, Luke 22, John 18 – Tell the Story



- ❖ Yeshua was arrested and taken to the High Priest and Jewish High Court by night and questioned.
- ❖ Peter followed Yeshua, and denies that he is a disciple of Yeshua (3) times.
- ❖ When Peter realized he had done what Yeshua said he would do, he cried bitterly.



- ❖ Yeshua was judged by High Priest and High Court to die and was taken to Pilate.
- ❖ Pilate and the Roman Court ask Yeshua if He was the King of the Jews and Yeshua was sentenced to die on a cross.
- ❖ Judas, the betrayer, was sorry and brought back the 30 pieces of silver to the Chief priest and elders that he had received for betraying Yeshua and went out and hanged himself.



Is there HOPE? – YES! The LORD God is so Merciful!



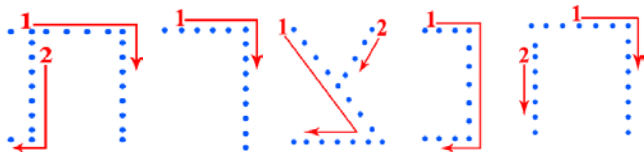
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His blood covers our sins,  
so when we ask for forgiveness  
we can **return to God!**

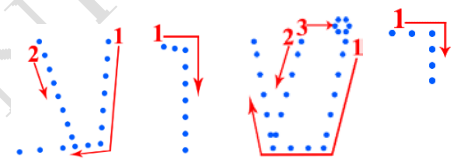
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**Yeshua of Nazareth the King of the Jews**

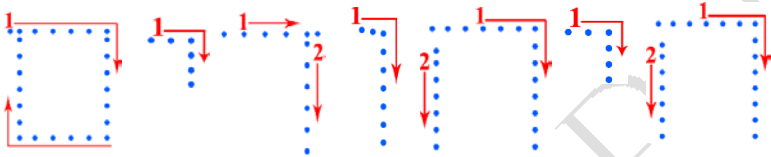
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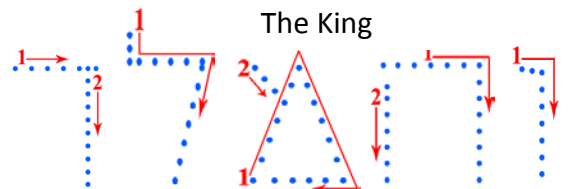
Yeshua



Of the Jews



The King



**יהוה**

**= This is the name of the LORD God!**

Name of God	Hey	Vav	Hey	Yood
YHVH				

**Barook (Blessing)** May Adonai bless you with the blessing of obedience to God's Laws.

Teacher note: You can bless the students at the end of the class with this blessing as a whole group or individually.)



## Games and Activities Teacher Instructions

For each of the lessons one of the games has been suggested to re-enforce the theme of the lesson. We have used the following games in a variety of ways. You can use the game suggested or choose another which fits your students and your time frame.

A list of general games that can be used for any/all lessons is included on pages 167-176.

### SKITS

It is always fun to have kids “act out” a part of the day’s teaching that has a lot of action in it. “Props” for skits can be purchased at garage sales, 2<sup>nd</sup> hand stores or friends who may be cleaning out their children’s’ closets. Items like stuffed animals, robes, crowns, walking sticks, etc. are fun to have on hand.

You can read the part of the story as the children act it out – OR - you can write a simple dialogue that the children can read and act out.