

|21| And Hashem visited Channah, so that she conceived, and bore three banim and two banot. And the na'ar Shmuel grew before Hashem.

|22| Now Eli was zaken me'od, and heard all that his banim did unto kol Yisroel; and how they lay with the nashim hatzove'ot (women in ministry service) at the petach Ohel Mo'ed.

|23| And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? For I hear of your evil deeds from kol HaAm (all the People).

|24| Nay, my banim; for it is no good report that I hear; ye make Am Hashem to transgress.

|25| If one ish sin against another ish, Elohim shall intervene as arbiter for him; but if an ish sin against Hashem, who shall entreat for him? Notwithstanding they paid heed not unto the kol avihem (voice of their father), because Hashem willed to execute them.

|26| And the na'ar Shmuel was growing, and was in favor both with Hashem and also with anashim.

|27| And there came an Ish Elohim unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus saith Hashem, Did I not plainly reveal Myself unto the Bais Avicha, when they were in Mitzrayim under Bais Pharaoh?

|28| And did I not choose him out of kol Shivtei Yisroel to be Kohen to Me, to ascend Mine Mizbe'ach, to burn ketoret, to wear an Ephod in My presence? And did I give unto the Bais Avicha all the fire offerings of the Bnei Yisroel?

|29| Why kick scornfully at My zevach and My minchah, which I have commanded in My ma'on (habitation, dwelling [See *Yn 14:2 OJBC*]); and honorest thy banim above Me, to make yourselves

fat with the chiefest of kol minchat Yisroel, before Ami (My People).

|30| Therefore Hashem Elohei Yisroel saith, I said indeed that thy Bais, and the Bais Avicha, should walk before Me ad olam (forever); but now Hashem saith, Be it far from Me; for them that honor Me I will honor, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed.

|31| Hinei, the yamim are coming, that I will cut off thine zero'a, and the zero'a of the Bais Avicha, that there shall not be a zaken in thine Bais.

|32| And thou shalt see Tzar Ma'on [See *1Sm 4:11 and Jer 7:12-14*] in spite of all that He will do of tov to Yisroel; and there shall not be a zaken in thine Bais kol hayamim.

|33| And the ish of thine, whom I shall not cut off from Mine Mizbe'ach, shall be to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine nefesh; and all the increase of thine Bais shall die anashim [*i.e., not zekenim*].

|34| And this shall be HaOt unto thee, that shall come upon thy two banim, on Chophni and on Pinchas: in one day they shall die both of them.

|35| And I will raise up for Me a Kohen Ne'eman, that shall do according to that which is in Mine lev and in My nefesh; and I will build for him a Bais Ne'eman; and he shall walk before Mine Moshiaich kol hayamim.

|36| And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left in thine Bais shall come and bow before him [*i.e., the Kohen Ne'eman*] to get an agorat kesef (a silver coin) and a kikar lechem (loaf of bread), and shall say, Put me please into one of the Kehunnot (Divisions of

the Kehunah), that I may get a piece of lechem to eat.

3 And the na'ar Shmuel ministered unto Hashem before Eli. And the Devar Hashem was yakar (precious, dear, rare) in those days; there was no chazon nifratz ([prophetic] vision open, spread out, common, *i.e., prophetic vision was uncommon*).

|2| And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was lying down in his makom (his eyes had begun to grow dim, that he could not see);

|3| And the Ner Elohim had not yet gone out in the Heikhal Hashem, where the Aron Elohim was, and Shmuel was lying down;

|4| That Hashem called Shmuel; and he answered, Hineni.

|5| And he ran unto Eli, and said, Hineni; for thou calledst me. And he said, I called not; lie down again. And he went and lay down.

|6| And Hashem called yet again, Shmuel. And Shmuel got up and went to Eli, and said, Hineni; for thou didst call me. And he answered, I called not, beni; lie down again.

|7| Now Shmuel did not yet know Hashem; the Devar Hashem was not yet revealed unto him [See *Yn 1:1, 14*].

|8| And Hashem called Shmuel again the third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, Hineni; for thou didst call me. And Eli perceived that Hashem was calling the na'ar.

|9| Therefore Eli said unto Shmuel, Go, lie down; and it shall be, if He call thee, that thou shalt say, Speak, Hashem; for Thy eved (servant) shomei'a (is listening). So Shmuel went and lay down in his makom.