

Gey HaTzevo'im toward the midbar.

|19| Now there was no charash (blacksmith) found throughout kol Eretz Yisroel; for the Pelishtim (Philistines) said, Lest the Ivrim (Hebrews) make them cherev (sword) or khanit (spear);

|20| But kol Yisroel went down to the Pelishtim, to sharpen every ish his plowshare, and his spade, and his axe, and his hoe.

|21| And a dullness of the edges occurred in the plowshares, hoes, three pronged pitchforks, axes, and for repointing the darvon (goad).

|22| So it came to pass in the yom milchemet (day of battle), that there was neither cherev nor khanit found in the yad kol HaAm that were with Sha'ul and Yonatan; but with Sha'ul and with Yonatan bno was there found.

|23| And the detachment of the Pelishtim (Philistines) went out toward Ma'avar

Michmash

14 (Michmash Pass).
Now the day came to pass, that

Yonatan Ben Sha'ul said unto the na'ar (young man) that bore his armor, Come, and let us go over to the outpost of the Pelishtim (Philistines), that is on the other side. But he told not aviv.

|2| And Sha'ul tarried in the outskirts of Giveah under a pomegranate tree which is in Migron; and HaAm (the people, the army) that were with him were about shesh me'ot ish (six hundred men);

|3| And Achiyah Ben Achituv, the ach of Ikhavod Ben Pinchas Ben Eli, kohen Hashem in Shiloh, was wearing an ephod. And HaAm knew not that Yonatan was gone.

|4| And between the passes, by which Yonatan sought to go over unto the outpost of the Pelishtim, there was a rocky cliff on the one side, and a rocky cliff on the other side; and the shem of the one was Botzetz, and the shem of the other Seneh.

|5| The one steep rock faced north opposite Michmash, and the other southward toward Giveah.

|6| And Yonatan said to the na'ar that bore his armor, Come, and let us go over unto the outpost of these arelim (uncircumcised); it may be that Hashem will act for us; for nothing restrains Hashem lhoshi'a (to save), by many or by few.

|7| And his armor-bearer said unto him, Do all that is in thine lev; turn thee; hinei, I am with thee according to thy lev.

|8| Then said Yonatan, Hinei, we will pass over unto these anashim, and we will show ourselves unto them.

|9| If they say thus unto us, Stand still until we come to you; then we will stand still tachteinu (in our place), and will not go up unto them.

|10| But if they say thus, Come up unto us; then we will go up; for Hashem hath delivered them into yadenu (our hand, power): and this shall be haot (the sign) unto us.

|11| And both of them showed themselves unto the outpost of the Pelishtim (Philistines); and the Pelishtim said, Hinei, the Ivrim (Hebrews) come forth out of the chorim (holes) where they had hid themselves.

|12| And the anashim of the outpost answered Yonatan and his armor-bearer, and said, Come up to us, and we will teach you a thing. And

Yonatan said unto his armor-bearer, Come up after me, for Hashem hath delivered them into the yad Yisroel.

|13| And Yonatan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet, and his armor-bearer after him; and they fell before Yonatan; and his armor-bearer slaughtered behind him.

|14| And that first attack, which Yonatan and his armor-bearer made, killed about esrim ish (twenty men), within an area of half a yoke [*i.e., the area an oxen yoke could plow in one day, or rather, half of that*].

|15| And there was fearful panic in the machaneh, in the sadeh, and among kol HaAm; the outpost, and the raiders, they also trembled, and ha'aretz quaked; so it was a cheredat Elohim (a panic from Elohim).

|16| And the tzofim (watchmen, lookouts, sentries) of Sha'ul in Giveat Binyamin looked; and, hinei, the multitude melted away, and they went in all directions.

|17| Then said Sha'ul unto HaAm that were with him, Number now, and see who is gone from us. And when they had numbered, hinei, Yonatan and his armor-bearer were not there.

|18| And Sha'ul said unto Achiyah, Bring here the Aron HaElohim. For the Aron HaElohim was at that time with the Bnei Yisroel there.

|19| And it came to pass, while Sha'ul talked to the kohen [*i.e., Achiyah*], that the tumult that was in the machaneh Pelishtim went on and increased; and Sha'ul said unto the kohen, Withdraw thine yad [*i.e., let's go*].

|20| And Sha'ul and kol HaAm that were with him assembled themselves, and they went to the