

KORACH - Numbers 16:1-9

א וַיִּקַּח קֹרַח בֶּן-יִצְחָר בֶּן-קָהָת בֶּן-לֵוִי וְדָתָן וְאַבִּירָם בְּנֵי אֵלִיאָב
וְאוֹזָן בֶּן-פִּלֵּת בְּנֵי רְאוּבֵן: ב וַיִּקְמוּ לְפָנַי מֹשֶׁה וְאַנְשֵׁים
מִבְּנֵי-יִשְׂרָאֵל חֲמִשִּׁים וּמְאַתָּים נְשִׂיאֵי עֵדָה קְרָאִי מוֹעֵד אַנְשֵׁי-שָׁם:
ג וַיִּקְהָלוּ עַל-מֹשֶׁה וְעַל-אַהֲרֹן וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֲלֵהֶם רַב-לָכֶם כִּי
כָל-הָעֵדָה כֹּהֲנִים וּבְתוֹכָם יְהוָה וּמִדּוּעַ תִּתְנַשָּׂאוּ עַל-קְהַל
יְהוָה: ד וַיִּשְׁמַע מֹשֶׁה וַיִּפֹּל עַל-פָּנָיו: ה וַיִּדְבַר אֶל-קֹרַח
וְאֶל-כָּל-עֵדָתוֹ לֵאמֹר בִּקְרַר וַיִּדַע יְהוָה אֶת-אֲשֶׁר-לוֹ וְאֶת-הַקְּדוֹשׁ
וְהַקְּרִיב אֵלָיו וְאֶת אֲשֶׁר יִבְחַר-בּוֹ יִקְרִיב אֵלָיו: ו זֹאת עָשׂוּ
קְחוּ-לָכֶם מַחְתֹּת קֹרַח וְכָל-עֵדָתוֹ: ז וּתְנוּ-בֹהֶן | אִשׁ וְשִׁימוּ
עָלֵיהֶן | קְטֹרֶת לְפָנַי יְהוָה מִחָר וְהָיָה הָאִישׁ אֲשֶׁר-יִבְחַר יְהוָה הוּא
הַקְּדוֹשׁ רַב-לָכֶם בְּנֵי לֵוִי: ח וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה אֶל-קֹרַח שְׁמְעוּ-נָא בְּנֵי
לֵוִי: ט הִמְעַט מִכֶּם כִּי-הִבְדִּיל אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶתְכֶם מֵעֵדַת יִשְׂרָאֵל
לְהַקְרִיב אֶתְכֶם אֵלָיו לַעֲבֹד אֶת-עֲבֹדַת מִשְׁכַּן יְהוָה וְלַעֲמֹד לְפָנַי
הָעֵדָה לְשָׂרְתָם:

¹- Now Korah, son of Izhar son of Kohath son of Levi, betook himself, along with Dathan and Abiram sons of Eliab, and On son of Peleth—descendants of Reuben— ² to rise up against Moses, together with two hundred and fifty Israelites, chieftains of the community, chosen in the assembly, men of repute. ³ They combined against Moses and Aaron and said to them, “You have gone too far! For all the community are holy, all of them, and the Eternal is in their midst. Why then do you raise yourselves above the Eternal’s congregation?” ⁴ When Moses heard this, he fell on his face. ⁵ Then he spoke to Korah and all his company, saying, “Come morning, the Eternal will make known who is [God’s] and who is holy, and will grant him direct access; the one whom [God] has chosen will be granted access. ⁶ Do this: You, Korah and all your band, take fire pans, ⁷ and tomorrow put the fire in them and lay incense on them before the Eternal. Then the man whom the Eternal chooses, he shall be the holy one. You have gone too far, sons of Levi!” ⁸ Moses said further to Korah, “Hear me, sons of Levi. ⁹ Is it not enough for you that the God of Israel has set you apart from the community of Israel and given you direct access, to perform the duties of the Eternal’s Tabernacle and to minister to the community and serve them?”

HAFTARAH

I Samuel 11:14-15 - 12:1-3

יָד וַיֹּאמֶר שְׁמוּאֵל אֶל-הָעָם לְכוּ וְנִלְכָה הַגִּלְגָל וְנִחַדַּשׁ שָׁם
הַמְּלוּכָה: טו וַיֵּלְכוּ כָל-הָעָם הַגִּלְגָל וַיִּמְלְכוּ שָׁם אֶת-שָׁאוּל לְפָנָיו
יְהוָה בִּגְלִלְגָל וַיִּזְבְּחוּ-שָׁם זִבְחִים שְׁלָמִים לְפָנָיו יְהוָה וַיִּשְׂמַח שָׁם
שָׁאוּל וְכָל-אֲנָשֵׁי יִשְׂרָאֵל עַד-מְאֹד:

א וַיֹּאמֶר שְׁמוּאֵל אֶל-כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל הִנֵּה שָׁמַעְתִּי בְקִלְכֶם לְכָל
אֲשֶׁר-אָמַרְתֶּם לִי וְאִמְלִיךְ עֲלֵיכֶם מִלְּךָ: ב וְעַתָּה הִנֵּה הַמֶּלֶךְ |
מִתְהַלֵּךְ לְפָנֵיכֶם וְאֲנִי זִקְנָתִי וְשִׁבְתִּי וּבְנֵי הַנֶּזֶם אֶתְכֶם וְאֲנִי הִתְהַלַּכְתִּי
לְפָנֵיכֶם מִנְעֻרֵי עַד-הַיּוֹם הַזֶּה: ג הַנְּנִי עֲנוּ בִי נָגַד יְהוָה וְנָגַד
מְשִׁיחוֹ אֶת-שָׁאוּל | מִי לָקַחְתִּי וְחִמּוֹר מִי לָקַחְתִּי וְאֶת-מִי עָשָׂקְתִּי
אֶת-מִי רִצּוֹתִי וּמִי־ד-מִי לָקַחְתִּי כִפֹּר וְאֲעֲלִים עֵינָי בּוֹ וְאֲשִׁיב לָכֶם:

¹⁴ Samuel said to the people, "Let us all go up to Gilgal and there renew the kingship." ¹⁵ So all the people went to Gilgal, and there at Gilgal, before the Eternal, they crowned Saul king. Then they offered up offerings of well-being to the Eternal One, and, along with Saul, they all held a great celebration.

¹ Then Samuel said to all Israel, "I have listened to your pleas and done everything you asked of me, and set a king over you. ² From now on, the king will be your leader. "As for me, I am old and gray. My [grown-up] sons are among you, and I have been your leader since my youth. ³ Here I am! Testify against me in the presence of the Eternal and in the presence of God's anointed [king]: have I taken anyone's ox or anyone's donkey? Have I maltreated or oppressed anyone? Have I taken a bribe to turn a blind eye to anyone? Tell me, and I will return it!"