

#24, VaYikra: We Must All Give an Account

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- Exo 17:14-16 TLV (14) Adonai said to Moses, “Write this for a **memorial** in the book, and rehearse it in the hearing of Joshua, for I will utterly blot out the memory of the Amalekites from under heaven.” (15) Then Moses built an altar, and called the name of it Adonai-Nissi. (16) Then he said, “By the hand upon the throne of Adonai, Adonai will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

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Memorial or Reminder, זְכוֹרֹן, Zikron

- **Strong's H2146, זְכוֹרֹן, zikrôn, zik-rone'**
 - From H2142 ; a memento (or memorable thing, day or writing): - memorial, record.
 - Total KJV occurrences: 24

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- **God's command to write a reminder in Exodus 17.14 is probably why we have the translation, "I remember" here:**
 - 1 Samuel 15:2 TLV (2) Thus says Adonai-Tzva'ot: 'I remember what Amalek did to Israel, how he set himself against him on the way while he was coming up from Egypt.

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- **“I remember” in I Samuel 15.2 is a translation of the word פָּקַדְתִּי, pakadti.**

- Strong’s H6485, פָּקַד, pāqad, pakad
- A primitive root; to visit (with friendly or hostile intent); by analogy to oversee, muster, charge, care for, miss, deposit, etc.: - appoint, X at all, avenge, bestow, (appoint to have the, give a) charge, commit, count, deliver to keep, be empty, enjoin, go see, hurt, do judgment, lack, lay up look, make X by any means, miss, number, officer, (make) overseer have (the) oversight, punish, reckon, (call to) remember (-brance), set (over), sum, X surely, visit, want.
- Total KJV occurrences: 303

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- **It is the same root as the word פְּקוּדֵי, pekudei, accounts in:**
 - Exo 38:21 TLV (21) These are the accounts of the Tabernacle of the Testimony, as they were recorded according to the commandment of Moses, by the service of the Levites, under the hand of Ithamar son of Aaron the kohen.

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- **A real variety of translation of פָּקַדְתִּי, pakadti in I Samuel 15.2.**

- TLV, KJV, JPS - I remember
- NIV, NASB, ISV – I will punish
- ESV – I have noted.
- HCSB – I witnessed.
- ASV – I have marked.
- NLT – I have decided to settle accounts.

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- **God remembered Amalek:**
 - Exo 17:16 TLV Then he said, “By the hand upon the throne of Adonai, Adonai will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

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- **We must all give an account to God:**
 - Rom 14:10-12 TLV But you, why do you judge your brother? Or you too, why do you look down on your brother? For we all will stand before the judgment seat of God. (11) For it is written, “As I live, says Adonai, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.” (12) So then each one of us shall give account of himself to God.

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- 2Co 5:10 TLV For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Messiah, so that each one may receive what is due for the things he did while in the body—whether good or bad.

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- 1Pe 4:17-19 TLV For the time has come for judgment to begin with the house of God. If judgment begins with us first, what will be the end for those who disobey the Good News of God? (18) Now, “if it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what shall become of the ungodly and the sinner?” (19) So then, those who suffer according to God’s will—let them trust their souls to a faithful Creator while continuing to do good.

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- Rev 20:11-12 KJV And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. (12) And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

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- **Our hearts must be right before Adonai:**
 - 1Co 4:5 TLV Therefore do not judge anything before the time—wait until the Lord comes. He will bring to light the things hidden in darkness and also make clear the motives of the hearts. Then the praise for each one will come from God.