1. How is Zechariah 2:10 (Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, ***I am coming and I will dwell in your midst***,” says the Lord.) thematically connected to the Torah portion?[[1]](#endnote-1)
2. How is Zechariah 2:11 (***Many nations shall be joined to the Lord*** in that day, and they shall become My people. And I will dwell in your midst. Then you will know that the Lord of hosts has sent Me to you.) thematically connected to the Torah portion?[[2]](#endnote-2)
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5. How is Zechariah 2:12 (And the Lord will ***take possession of Judah as His inheritance*** in the Holy Land, and ***will again choose Jerusalem***.) thematically connected to the Torah portion?[[5]](#endnote-5)
6. How is Zechariah 2:13 (Be silent, all flesh, before the Lord, ***for He is aroused from His holy habitation***!) thematically connected to the Torah portion?[[6]](#endnote-6)
7. How is Zechariah 3:2 (And the Lord said to Satan, “***The Lord rebuke you, Satan! The Lord who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you!*** *Is* this not a brand plucked from the fire?”) thematically connected to the Torah portion?[[7]](#endnote-7)
8. How is Zechariah 4:2 (And he said to me, “What do you see?” So I said, “I am looking, and ***there is a lampstand of solid gold*** with a bowl on top of it, and on the stand seven lamps with seven pipes to the seven lamps.”) thematically connected to the Torah portion?[[8]](#endnote-8)
9. How is Zechariah 4:6 (So he answered and said to me: “This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: ‘Not by might nor by power, ***but by My Spirit***,’ Says the Lord of hosts.”)?[[9]](#endnote-9)
1. Numbers 10:36 – And when it rested, he said: “Return, O Lord, *To* the many thousands of Israel.” The Haftarah verse relates how Adonai states He will come to dwell in the midst of the daughter of Zion. We need to remember that this is a promise of return. He is not there because of the exile. Therefore His promise to “dwell in the midst of the daughter of Zion” is a promise to return, the same idea mentioned specifically in the Torah portion. [↑](#endnote-ref-1)
2. Numbers 11:4 – Now ***the mixed multitude who were among them*** yielded to intense craving; so the children of Israel also wept again and said: “Who will give us meat to eat? The mixed multitude were people from the nations who had joined themselves to Israel during the exodus. [↑](#endnote-ref-2)
3. Numbers 9:14 – ‘And if a stranger dwells among you, and would keep the Lord’s Passover, he must do so according to the rite of the Passover and according to its ceremony; ***you shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger and the native of the land***.’ Adonai’s intent is that once one from the nations joins Israel they become one people. [↑](#endnote-ref-3)
4. Numbers 9:15 – Now on the day that the tabernacle was raised up, ***the cloud covered the tabernacle, the tent of the Testimony***; from evening until morning it was above the tabernacle like the appearance of fire. The cloud was the visible manifestation of God showing all that Adonai dwelled in the midst of His people. [↑](#endnote-ref-4)
5. Numbers 8:16-18 – For ***they are wholly given to Me from among the children of Israel***; ***I have taken them for Myself*** instead of all who open the womb, the firstborn of all the children of Israel. For all the firstborn among the children of Israel *are* Mine, *both* man and beast; on the day that I struck all the firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them to Myself. ***I have taken the Levites instead of all the firstborn*** of the children of Israel. The Haftarah relates how Adonai bestowed upon the tribe of Judah special significance when He chose them out of all the tribes as his dwelling place in that He would dwell in Jerusalem. The Torah portion relates how Adonai chose the Levites over all the other tribes to replace the firstborns. [↑](#endnote-ref-5)
6. Numbers 10:35 – So it was, whenever the ark set out, that Moses said: “***Rise up, O Lord! Let Your enemies be scattered, And let those who hate You flee before You***.” The request for Adonai to “Rise up,” is clearly connected to the idea of Adonai “arousing” Himself. [↑](#endnote-ref-6)
7. Numbers 10:35 – So it was, whenever the ark set out, that Moses said: “***Rise up, O Lord! Let Your enemies be scattered, And let those who hate You flee before You***.” The request for Adonai to “Rise up,” is clearly connected to the idea of Adonai “arousing” Himself. The Torah portion relates how Adonai rebuked Satan, the enemy of Israel. Likewise, the Haftarah reading mentions the rebuking or scattering of Israel’s enemies. [↑](#endnote-ref-7)
8. Numbers 8:1-4 – And the Lord spoke to Moses, saying: “Speak to Aaron, and say to him, ‘When you arrange ***the lamps, the seven lamps*** shall give light in front of the lampstand.’” And Aaron did so; he arranged the lamps to face toward the front of the lampstand, as the Lord commanded Moses. Now this workmanship of ***the lampstand was hammered gold***; from its shaft to its flowers it *was* hammered work. According to the pattern which the Lord had shown Moses, so he made ***the lampstand***. [↑](#endnote-ref-8)
9. Numbers 11:17 – Then I will come down and talk with you there. ***I will take of the Spirit that is upon you and will put the same upon them***; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you may not bear *it* yourself alone. Both passages speak of overcoming obstacles by those empowered by the Spirit of God. [↑](#endnote-ref-9)