**Questions for Understanding and Reflection**

1. From all the readings for this Shabbat which verse or verses impressed your heart and fired your imagination?

I was fired by the final peroration of the Nazarean Codicil:

From the Mountain of Eden, the waters of delight flowed into the Garden becoming four rivers. These rivers flowed through the land disseminating the delight of that mountain. From Har Sinai a river of words flowed into a new garden called Yisrael. From the Mountain of the Pillar (Tzfat) flowed the original river of words that initiated creation making it a Torah – *nomos* (structured universe). From that same mountain, Yeshua appointed his talmidim as Paqidim with a commission to spread the Mesorah. It was on this mountain where Yeshua communed with Moshe and Eliyahu representing the Torah and the Prophets (the written Torah). It was this mountain again, where Yeshua appointed his Paqidim as Hakhamim and the river of the Mesorah gushed out of these Hakhamim flooding the whole earth.

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 28:10?

**And Jacob left** – Why did he leave?

**And Jacob left** - Scripture had only to write: “And Jacob went to Haran.” Why did it mention his departure?

**and he went to Haran** – Why is this mentioned?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 28:11?

**And he arrived at the place** – Where is this place?

**because the sun had set** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew phrase: כִּי בָא הַשֶּׁמֶשׁ?

**and placed [them] at his head** – How were they arranged?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 28:12?

**ascending and descending**- In which order were they moving and for what reason were they moving?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 28:13?

**And behold, the Lord was standing over him** – Why were they doing this?

**and the God of Isaac** – Isaac was still alive how can HaShem associate His name with the living?

**upon which you are lying** – Why is he only giving this small plot of land?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 28:17?

**than the house of God** – Where was this ladder standing?

**How awesome** – How is this to be understood?

**and this is the gate of heaven** – What is the gate of heaven?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 28:22?

**Then this stone** – How is the vav in the Hebrew: וְהָאֶבֶן הַזּֽאת to be understood?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 29:1?

**Now Jacob lifted his feet** – How is this pasuk to be understood?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 29:10?

**that Jacob drew near and rolled** – How did he do this and what do we learn from this?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 29:17?

**Tender** – Why were her eyes tender?

**features** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew word: תּֽאַר?

**Complexion** – What is this?

1. What determinate Halakhot are found in Mark 3:13-19‎?
2. It is the duty of the Nazarean Community to fully develop the Esnoga in their place.
3. Each Esnoga should work to develop the appropriate infrastructure of Bate Din and Paqidim for the propagation of the Mesorah on a global level.
4. Is the city of Luz the same as the city of Jerusalem? Why? Please explain your answer.

If Luz and Jerusalem were the same place, then Moriah was uprooted from it’s place and brought to where Luz was, according to Rashi. However Yaaqov indicates that Bet El was formerly called Luz, not Jerusalem. Hakham Haggai has taught that everywhere we have a synagogue of ten men, there we have Luz (light).

1. Why “One must not mix one rejoicing with another,"‎?

So that each occasion is given the proper honor.

1. What do we learn from wherever it says: “Of David, a song,”?

The Rabbis said: Wherever it says: “A song of David,” he would play [his musical instrument] and afterwards the Shechinah would rest on him. It is a song to bring the holy spirit upon David. **And, wherever it says: “Of David, a song,” the Shechinah rested on him [first] and then he recited a song.**

1. Why should every Nazarean Jew do everything within his power to become a Hakham?

Because it is the Nazarean Hakhamim who can repair the world.

1. There are seven Sabbaths of Strengthening/Consolation and there are seven Paqidim (officers) in the congregation. Who of the seven officers is addressed this Shabbat by all the readings for this Sabbath?

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1. What consolation/s (strengthening/s) are offered in the readings for this very special Sabbath?

In v.2: Enlarge ‎the place of your camping, and cause the cities of your land to be inhabited; hold not back, **increase the people of your armies and ‎strengthen your rulers.**

Many different folks should be invited to our homes. Just because they are a different color, tastes, or other difference, never the less we should be prepared to welcome those of the faith.

1. ‎Taking into consideration all the readings for this Shabbat what is the prophetic statement for this ‎week?‎

Now is the time to contemplate the awesomness of our position before HaShem and strive to learn more of the oral Torah.