

# Parashah 41 Pinchas (Phinehas)

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## TEHILLAH = Service of Praise

Welcome to Beit Gan-Eden (House [of] Paradise)! We are gathered here in the name of our righteous Messiah, Yeshua, to worship our Heavenly Father (Abba). Yeshua tells us. "Y'HoVaH is Spirit and worshipers must worship Him in spirit and in truth." Yochanan (John) 4:24. Shabbat Shalom,

## TEFILLAH = Service of Prayer

All sing: "**Sh'ma Yisrael, Y'HoVaH Eloheinu, Y'HoVaH echad. (Deu 6:4)**  
**Baruch Shem kavod malchuto, le'olam va'ed!"**

All say: "**Hear, O Isra'el, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, Y'HoVaH is one!**  
**Blessed be His Name. His glorious Kingdom is for ever and ever."**

Leader: "**V'ahavta et Y'HoVaH elohecha b'kol l'vav'cha u'v'kol nafsh'cha u'v'kol m'odecha."** All say: "**And you shall love Y'HoVaH your Elohim with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. (Deut 6:5)** And Yeshua said: "**Love your neighbour as yourself. All the Torah and the prophets are dependent on these two mitzvot."** (Mat 22:37-40)

Leader: "Yeshua HaMashiach hu Adonai".

And everyone says: "**Yeshua the Messiah, He is Lord. Amen."**

### **B'rachot haB'nai (Blessings for the Children)**

Parents to their boys: "**May Y'HoVaH make you, (name/s) like Efrayim and M'nasheh (and personalise) Genesis 27: 27b-29.**

Parents to their girls: "**May Yah make you, (name) like Sarah, Rivkah, Rachel and Leah (and personalise) Num 6:24-26.**

All pray together: "**Heavenly Abba preserve these children for their fathers and mothers. May they be led into a life of obedience and faith through the Ketuvei HaShelichim. Blessed are You, Yah of Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov, who watches over these precious children of Your servants.**

**We ask this in Yeshua's Name, Amein."**

**Prayer for Israel**

## TORAH = Service of The Word

### **Parashah 41 Pinchas (Phinehas)**

**Torah: Numbers 25:10 - 30:1 (29:40)**

**Haftarah (Prophets): M'lakhim Alef (1 Kings) 18:46 - 19:21**

**HaShelichim: (Writing [of] the Apostles):**

**Matt 26:1-30; Acts 2:1-21;**

**Drash (message): Arthur 'Avraham' Batakin**

**Hazak, hazak, v'nit'chazek! (Be strong, be strong, and let us be strengthened!)**

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## The End for Gaza?

By Harry Moskoff [www.breakingisraelnews.com/44898](http://www.breakingisraelnews.com/44898)

YIKES! Is it just me, or are people starting to get the jitters about Islamic State being on the borders of the Gaza Strip and Israel. By people, I mean both Arab and Jew. Surely, a strategy is being drawn up that will see the final defeat of the Islamic State. But as far as Israel is concerned, it's all in the timing. What Israel must do is allow ISIS to get a foothold in Gaza and duke it out (along with all their ruthless and shocking brutality) against Hamas and Fatah, then put boots on the ground, go into the Strip and vanquish the threat once and for all. Not just for the sake of Israelis, but for the many Arabs that live there as well. Actually, it will be interesting to note what the UN-HRC will do when confronted with an Arab war within the Gaza Strip itself. What war crimes report will it come up with (if any) if Israel isn't directly involved?

Indeed, if you look at the statistics, a war is already heading our way. There have been three wars in Gaza in less than seven years, and the prospect of an outside force conquering Gaza from the south is now a very real reality for Israel (and Egypt) to have to contend with. But is this scenario really in the cards? Does ISIS really plan on overrunning the Gaza Strip?

We already know that there are several hundred ISIS members that feel that Hamas isn't Islamic enough for them, and they are already inside. But let's hear it from the horse's mouth, shall we? In an article from the ALAKHBAR News Website (translated here from Arabic) ISIS has a video there taken from their stronghold in Syria, where one of the terrorists says: "We will uproot the state of the Jews and you and the PA/Fatah. All of the secularists are nothing, and you will be over-run by our creeping multitudes." (Don't you just love that term? "Creeping multitudes")

At any rate, the masked Islamic State member goes on to call the Gaza Strip rulers the "tyrants of Hamas", as reported by Reuters. "The rule of Sharia [Islamic law] will be implemented in Gaza, in spite of you. We swear that what is happening in the Levant today, and in particular the Yarmouk camp, will happen in Gaza," he said.



*This photo has been making the rounds on social media showing the ISIS flag on the Temple Mount.*

The truth is, we only have to look at what happened in Egypt last week. That was a game changer. At the time I read about it, it suddenly occurred to me that these guys have become experts, if not masters, at hostile takeovers of small regions of territory, piece by nasty piece. Indeed, they have shown their prowess time and time again in Iraq and Syria. Equally surprising was discovering that the training, operational planning and the movement of the ISIS forces from their hiding





areas towards their targets escaped the Egyptian intelligence's eyes. In broad daylight! It's very possible that the preparations also escaped the eyes of other intelligence services in the area, including those operated by countries which have good relations and security cooperation with Egypt, including Israel.

It's now obvious that Islamic State is not simply a band of tribesman that went bad. Their operation in Egypt raised eyebrows in many Western nations. The reason is because it wasn't just a terrorist attack by 'normal' standards. ISIS launched a full-scale military offensive, starting with mortar fire and suicide bombings against five Egyptian military checkpoints. Using a tactic similar to that employed in the capture of the Iraqi town of Ramadi last month, ISIS gunmen then followed this initial assault by riding in on minivans, backed by heavy mortar fire, to storm the positions held by the (stunned) Egyptian troops. Altogether some 20 Egyptian army positions were attacked. Egyptian Apache assault helicopters striking the ISIS force themselves faced ground fire from shoulder-borne anti-air missiles. The Islamists are additionally said to have even taken Egyptian prisoners as hostages and many abandoned armoured vehicles. The Palestinian Authority (PA) and Hamas are no match for these guys.

Unlike the PA, Islamic State seems to have a clear and strategic ideological path. As mentioned above, their stated goal is to deal a devastating and deadly blow to the "infidels" of the region then turn their sites on to the Jewish State. In fact, according to IS fighters, the adherents of all Islamic sects who do not submit to their "Caliph" (literally: Muslim Successor) are either "apostates or misguided folk, who should be fought and killed, forced to repent and let themselves be guided, or be liberated from apostate rule." On the site, another one adds: "We, the followers of this path follow Sharia, not the whims of men," adding that historically the Prophet had fought Quraysh first before moving on to fight the Jews of Banu Qurayza.

Furthermore, in response to questions that appeared on several Internet sites as to why the Islamic State wasn't fighting Israel (instead of killing Muslims in Iraq and Syria for instance), the organization responded on its Twitter account: "We haven't given orders to kill the Israelis and the Jews yet. The war against the nearer enemy, those who rebel against the faith, is more important. Allah commands us in the Koran to fight the hypocrites, because they are much more dangerous than those who are fundamentally heretics." As proof, the organization cited the first Caliph, Abu Bakr, who began by fighting those who rebelled against the faith, as well as Saladin, who fought the Shi'ites in Egypt before conquering Jerusalem. The sources, who are based in the Raqqa province of Syria, enumerate these necessary stages, saying, "The priority is to liberate Baghdad, then head to Damascus and liberate all of the Levant, before liberating Palestine."

These Muslim extremists base their strategy on their perception that "Syria, Lebanon, Egypt, and Jordan all collaborate with Israel," and argue that any attack they initiate would be stopped by what they call the "idolatrous" regimes, in the name of security. One ISIS member says: "Since the countries adjacent to Israel do not fire a single bullet at it, this means they do not want a confrontation with Israel. Any attempt to use their territories to target Israel means automatically a confrontation with these regimes. Therefore, we must first purge these countries to get to Israel."

Having said that, where does that leave us? Now that we know that they



are taking on Israel's neighbors one by one, it is just a matter of time before either Syria's Assad falls (as I wrote in my last article: Islamic State vs. the Jewish State), or Gaza falls. Either way, it will be their last battle. Will the UN Security Council come in and save the day? Your guess is as good as mine!

If the current regime in Egypt continues to be undermined, the State of Israel's national security will be seriously affected as well. The end target for ISIS is between Gaza and the Golan Heights, but it's looking more and more like Gaza will be the softer target. Israel must very carefully let the conflict develop and unfold there, waiting patiently for the proper time to strike and annihilate the enemy. And Israel should in no way help the PA in their fighting.

And why is that? Well, three reasons come immediately to mind. Firstly, I find it strangely ironic that the same PA who betrayed Israel in the peace negotiations by going to the International Criminal Court to lay charges against it for "war crimes" will be asking Israel for military assistance in fighting off ISIS. Another reason is because any one of those warring parties (you pick) wants to eventually conquer Jerusalem and raise their flag over the Temple Mount. I think the third reason was expressed best by the Egyptian Foreign Minister (Moussa) when he recently stated:

"If people inside [Gaza] die, then let them die! Is it better that our own children die? I'd rather maintain the safety of my country."

My point exactly.



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## **Hamas: Israel Sent ISIS to Destroy Us**

*By Ahuva Balofsky Breaking News Israel [www.breakingisraelnews.com/44746](http://www.breakingisraelnews.com/44746)*

A journalist for an official Hamas paper has made a startling accusation: Israel sent the Islamic State (ISIS) to Gaza to undermine Hamas. The accusation was voiced in the paper Palestine.

Recently Hamas acknowledged that ISIS was operating in Gaza, after long denying its presence. In response, journalist Faiz Abu Shamala posed a series of accusatory questions to the terrorist group, known in Arabic and Hebrew as Daesh.

"Why doesn't Daesh attack international naval ships on the Red Sea and the Israeli tourists in Sharm el-Sheikh? Why does Daesh attack the Palestinian fighters and not the collaborators with Israel? Why doesn't Daesh start a war front against Israel from the West Bank which could more greatly affect Israel than from the Gaza Strip? Why does Daesh spread a poster calling for Christians to leave Jerusalem but doesn't publish a similar poster against the Zionists? Why doesn't Daesh act against Israel from the Jordan border and (why) doesn't it attack the Jordanian regime even as the Jordanian air force strikes Daesh targets?" he asked.

The answer, Shamala proposed, is that ISIS is a pawn of Israel, sent to



undermine Hamas rule in the Gaza Strip since Israel was not able to overthrow Hamas directly.

ISIS and its supporters view Hamas as being too “moderate”, a sentiment expressed last week in a threatening video produced by the group and aimed at Hamas, Fatah and “the Jewish state”. Somewhere between several hundred and a few thousand Gazans actively support ISIS. The ISIS cell in Gaza has worked together with that in the Sinai Peninsula, which just last Friday fired rockets into Israel. The same groups have also coordinated attacks on Hamas targets, including claims of launching two bombs in Gaza in May.

### **Sheikh who taught ISIS jihadists asks for Bible, says he's 'sick of the killing'**

*Lucinda Borkett-Jones - Christian Today Features Editor*

A missionary in the Middle East, 'Julian', who works with mission organisation Operation Mobilisation and has lived in the Muslim world for many years, told Voice of the Martyrs Radio last week about accounts of Muslims in the Middle East, including members of ISIS, coming to faith in Christ. God in his sovereignty is able to turn what is evil, and what the enemy intends for evil, into something that's good," he said.

**"ISIS is being used to reveal something of the dark heart of Islam,"** Julian said. However he emphasised that "many, many Muslims want to distance themselves and are embarrassed by it and are great people and we really should not see our Muslim neighbours as terrorists, as ISIS, but as neighbours. Nevertheless some of this evil stuff is being exposed as never before."

He told two accounts of people linked to ISIS coming to faith that he had heard at a prayer event in Egypt. The first was about an ISIS fighter who had a vision of the cross. The militant went online and came across a Christian website and became more interested. He left Syria and went to Turkey, where he met someone who was able to tell him more about Jesus, and he came to faith. He shared his testimony at a church conference in Lebanon.

### **The greatest weapon against ISIS? Forgiveness.**

Julian had also heard about a Christian taxi driver in Lebanon who was driving a Saudi Sheikh to the airport when he asked to stop to get a Bible. He drove him to meet a Christian worker in Beirut who gave him the Bible and asked him why he wanted it. The Sheikh said he had been in Syria teaching the fighters "Jihad 101, the theology and practice of Jihad" and said he was "sick of the killing, there must be something better than this."

He also told the story of a Muslim Somali woman who had seen a beheading video of a jihadist killing an American while reciting the Qur'an and was horrified. It led her to pray to God and ask "Is this who you are? Is this what you want?". That night she dreamt of Jesus and saw that she was one of the worshippers. She and her husband both came to faith and she now works with the mission organisation. He said these stories should move Christians to pray for ISIS militants, not against them. "These are people who have been deceived, they are lost... We need to pray for God to call forth...apostolic figures out of ISIS."



## YESHUA REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

<sup>31</sup> "Here, the days are coming," says Y'HoVaH, "when I will make a re-newed Covenant with the house of Isra'el and with the house of Y'udah. <sup>32</sup> It will not be like the covenant I made with their fathers on the day I took them by their hand and brought them out of the land of Egypt; because they, for their part violated My Covenant, even though I, for my part, was a husband to them," says Y'HoVaH. <sup>33</sup> "For this is the Covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days," says Y'HoVaH, "I will put My Torah within them and write it on their hearts; I will be their Elohim, and they will be My people. (Yirem'yahu [*Jeremiah*] 31:31-33)

*Leader: "See! Elohim is my salvation; I am confident and unafraid; for Y'HoVaH Elohim is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation!" (Isa 12:2)*

**Congregation: Then you will joyfully draw water from the springs of salvation. (Isa 12:3). Victory comes from Y'HoVaH; may Your blessing rest on Your people (Ps 3:8). Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot is with us, our fortress, the Elohim of Ya'akov. (Ps 46:7)**

*Leader: "Baruch ata Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech Ha'olam, ha motze lechem m'in ha eretz." (divide challah)*

**Congregation: "Blessed are You Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the Universe who has brought forth bread from the earth. Y'HoVaH Tzva'ot, how happy is anyone who trusts in You! (Ps 84:12). Give victory Y'HoVaH! Let the King answer us the day we call. (Ps 20:9) I will take the cup of redemption and call upon the Name, Y'HoVaH. (Ps 116:13)**

*Leader: (with cup in right hand) "The cup of deliverance I raise and in the Name of Y'HoVaH, Yeshua HaMashiach, I call: Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech, ha'olam, boray p'ri ha'gafen." (Replace cup with spices)*

**Congregation: Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.**

*Leader: Lifting spice container in right hand, says... "Baruch atah Y'HoVaH, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam, boray meenee besamim."*

**Congregation: Blessed are You, Y'HoVaH our Elohim, King of the universe, who creates the various spices.**

*Leader: As Avram gave to Malki-Tzedek according to B' resheet (Genesis) 14:18-20, let us all come and bring our offering; then take some Chullah; smell the spices; take your cup, return to your seats and wait, so we can partake together.*

*Leader: Pray in relation to what Yeshua has done in connection with the day's Torah portion. "Let us eat and drink together".*

***Malachi & Tamar: Aharonic Blessing (see Num 6:22-27). Our Abba and Elohim of our fathers, we thank you for the joy and rest of this Shabbat. May the coming week bring gladness & peace, health & achievement. Like the fragrance of the besamim,***

***we pray that the days ahead bring sweetness to our lives and the lives of our loved ones. May the peace, which we are enjoying linger till we gather for Shabbat next week. We ask this in Yeshua's name, Amein.***

