

Balak (Destroyer) wk 40

Torah reading: בַּלֶּק (בְּמִדְבָּר, Num) Num 22:2-25:9

Haftarah reading: Micah 5:6*-6:8

(*Note: there is a different chapter & verse numbering system in the Protestant, English, Bibles than in the Jewish Bible; this Haftarah reading in the English Bible is Micah 5:7-6:8)

Apostolic Scripture reading: 2Pet 2:1-22; Jude 11; Rev 2:14-15

ב פסוק (verse) -- כב פרק (chapter) -- בלק פרשת (Parasha or portion of Torah reading)

Hear Balak read in Hebrew: www.RestoringTorah.org

- Classroom Hebrew reading of Numbers 22:2 by Les'a (go to link and scroll to appropriate reading):
- Shmuelof reading: <https://www.mechon-mamre.org/mp3/t0422.mp3> (please wait until counter reaches :09)

Numbers 22:2

NIV ² Now Balak son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites,

ESV ² And Balak the son of Zippor saw all that Israel had done to the Amorites. (English Standard Version)

YOUR TRANSLATION: _____

Westminster Leningrad Codex: (note: the Hebrew Bible reference is: Num 22:2 ב, כב, בְּמִדְבָּר)

ב וַיֵּרָא בַלֶּק בֶּן-צִפּוֹר אֵת כָּל-אֲשֶׁר-עָשָׂה יִשְׂרָאֵל לְאֻמֵּי:

Numbers 22:3

NIV ³and Moab was terrified because there were so many people. Indeed, Moab was filled with dread because of the Israelites.

ESV ³ And Moab was in great dread of the people, because they were many. Moab was overcome with fear of the people of Israel. (English Standard Version)

YOUR TRANSLATION: _____

Westminster Leningrad Codex: (note: the Hebrew Bible reference is: Num 22:3 ג כב, , בְּמִדְבָּר, כב, ג)

ג וַיִּגְרַר מוֹאָב מִפְּנֵי הָעַם מְאֹד כִּי רַב־הָיָא וַיִּקְיַץ מוֹאָב מִפְּנֵי בְנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Numbers 22:4

NIV ⁴ The Moabites said to the elders of Midian, “This horde is going to lick up everything around us, as an ox licks up the grass of the field.” So Balak son of Zippor, who was king of Moab at that time,

ESV ⁴ And Moab said to the elders of Midian, “This horde will now lick up all that is around us, as the ox licks up the grass of the field.” So Balak the son of Zippor, who was king of Moab at that time, (English Standard Version)

YOUR TRANSLATION: _____

Westminster Leningrad Codex: (note: the Hebrew Bible reference is: Num 22:4 כב, ט זַבְעֹנוֹתַי יֹאכְלוּ אֶת־כָּל־עֵשְׂבֶת־הַשָּׂדֶה כַּאֲשֶׁר יֹאכֵל הַבָּקָר וַיֹּאמֶר בְּלָק בֶּן־צִפּוֹר מֶלֶךְ מוֹאָב אֶל־זִמְדָּי מִדְיָן עַתָּה יֵלְחָקוּ הַקְּהָלִים אֶת־כָּל־סְבִיבֹתֵינוּ כְּלֶחֶד׃

וַיֹּאמֶר מוֹאָב אֶל־זִמְדָּי מִדְיָן עַתָּה יֵלְחָקוּ הַקְּהָלִים אֶת־כָּל־סְבִיבֹתֵינוּ כְּלֶחֶד׃

הַשָּׂדֶה אֶת־יֵרֶק־הַשָּׂדֶה וּבָלָק בֶּן־צִפּוֹר מֶלֶךְ לְמוֹאָב בָּעֵת הַהִוא׃

Numbers 22:5

NIV ⁵ sent messengers to summon Balaam son of Beor, who was at Pethor, near the Euphrates River, in his native land. Balak said: “A people has come out of Egypt; they cover the face of the land and have settled next to me.

ESV ⁵ sent messengers to Balaam the son of Beor at Pethor, which is near the Rivera in the land of the people of Amaw, to call him, saying, “Behold, a people has come out of Egypt. They cover the face of the earth, and they are dwelling opposite me. (English Standard Version)

YOUR TRANSLATION: _____

Westminster Leningrad Codex: (note: the Hebrew Bible reference is: Num 22:5 הַכַּב, הַכַּבְּרִי, הַכַּבְּרִי)

הַ וַיִּשְׁלַח מַלְאָכִים אֶל־בְּלָעָם בֶּן־בְּעֹר פְּתוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר עַל־הַנָּהָר אֶרֶץ בְּנֵי־

עַמּוֹ לְקַרְא־לּוֹ לֵאמֹר הִנֵּה עַם יֵצֵא מִמִּצְרַיִם הִנֵּה כָּסָה אֶת־עֵינֵי הָאָרֶץ

וְהוּא יֹשֵׁב מִמֶּלִּי:

Numbers 22:6

NIV ⁶ Now come and put a curse on these people, because they are too powerful for me. Perhaps then I will be able to defeat them and drive them out of the land. For I know that whoever you bless is blessed, and whoever you curse is cursed.”

ESV ⁶ Come now, curse this people for me, since they are too mighty for me. Perhaps I shall be able to defeat them and drive them from the land, for I know that he whom you bless is blessed, and he whom you curse is cursed.” (English Standard Version)

YOUR TRANSLATION: _____

Westminster Leningrad Codex: (note: the Hebrew Bible reference is: Num 22:6 וַיִּבְרַךְ, כב, ו 1)

וַיִּעַתָּה לְכַהֲנָא אֲרַה־לִי אֶת־הָעַם הַזֶּה כִּי־עֲצוּם הוּא מִמְּנִי אוּלַי אוּכַל־

נִכְה־בּוֹ וְאֶגְרָשְׁנוּ מִן־הָאָרֶץ כִּי יִדְעַתִּי אֵת אֲשֶׁר־תְּבַרַךְ מִבְּרַךְ וְאֲשֶׁר תְּאָר

יוֹאֵר:

Numbers 22:7

NIV ⁷ The elders of Moab and Midian left, taking with them the fee for divination. When they came to Balaam, they told him what Balak had said.

ESV ⁷ So the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the fees for divination in their hand. And they came to Balaam and gave him Balak's message. (English Standard Version)

YOUR TRANSLATION: _____

Westminster Leningrad Codex: (note: the Hebrew Bible reference is: Num 22:7 ז כב, בְּמִזְבֵּחַ, כב, ז)

ז וַיֵּלְכוּ זִקְנֵי מוֹאָב וְזִקְנֵי מִדְיָן וְקִסְמִים בְּיָדָם וַיָּבֹאוּ אֶל-בְּלָעָם וַיְדַבְּרוּ אֵלָיו

דְּבָרֵי בָלָק:

וירא בלק בן צפּוֹר את כל אשר עשה ישראל לאמורי ויגֵר מוֹאָב
י רב הוא ויקץ מוֹאָב מפני בני ישראל ויאמר מוֹאָב אל זקני מדין עתה ילחכו
ביתינו כלוזר השׁוֹר את ירק השׁדֵה ובלק בן צפּוֹר מלך מוֹאָב בעת ההוא
ל בלעם בן בעֹר פתורה אשר על הנֶהָר ארץ בני עמון לקרא לו לאמר הנה
נָה כסה את עיני הארץ והוא ישב מומכי ועתה לכה נא ארה לי את דַּעַם
מומכי אולי אוכל נֶכֶה בו ואמרשׁוֹנו מן הארץ כי ידעתי את אשר תברך
ואר וילכו זקני מוֹאָב וזקני מדין וקסמים בידם ויבאו אל בלעם וידברו אִכִּי