



GM - MISHPATIM

The well-known pasuk in Parshat K'doshim, Vayikra 19:3, states -

אִישׁ אָפָר וְאָבִיו תִּירְאֹו וְאַתְּ שְׁבַתְתִּי
תְּשִׁבְרוּ אָנָי כִּי אַל-לְּדִיכָּם:

Every man (person) shall fear his mother and his father, and you shall observe My Shabbats - I am HaShem, your God.

It is taught from this pasuk, that although one must listen to his parents, if they say to do something that is not permitted by halacha (even Rabbinic law), then the child may not listen to his parents.

Here is a NPP (neat partial pasuk) from Parshat Mishpatim, Sh'mot 23:12 -

שְׁשַׁת יְמִים תַּعֲשֵׂה מַעֲשֵׂיךְ וְבַיּוֹם
הַשְׁבִּיעִי תַּשְׁבַּת (כְּמַעַן יְנוּן שׁוֹרֵךְ
וַיּוּבְּרֵךְ וַיִּגְפֵּשׁ בְּנֵי-אֱמֹגָךְ וְהָרָךְ)

Six days you may do your work, but on the seventh day you shall rest, (in order that your ox and your donkey shall rest, and your maid servant's son and the stranger shall be refreshed.)

Just looking at the first half of the pasuk, we find the Mitzvat Asei (positive commandment) to abstain from Melacha on Shabbat. This mitzva is the other side of the coin of the prohibition of Melacha on Shabbat from Sh'mot 20:10 - LO TAASEH KOL MELACHA...

The Gimatriya of this NPP is 3878. The AL-BAM gimatriya is 2783. A pasuk in Parshat Yitro has a regular gimatriya of 2783. It's in the Aseret HaDibrot, Sh'mot 20:12 -

סְבִיד אַתְּ-אָבִיךְ וְאַתְּ-אָמָר
לְמַעַן יָאַרְכֵן יְבִיר עַל הָאָדָם
אֲשֶׁר-הָאֱלֹהִים נָתַן לְךָ:

Honor your father and your mother, in order that your days be lengthened on the land that HaShem, your God, is giving you.

A long search resulted in a match between the AL-BAM gimatriya of a neat partial pasuk and the regular gimatriya of a whole pasuk. Still, this match echoes the K'doshim pasuk above. Abstain from Melacha on Shabbat even if respect for your parents would suggest otherwise.

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