



It struck me as startling that the pasuk about afflicted and defiled garments should have a hidden match with one of the Kohen Gadol's garments.

M'ITZORA

GM Tazri'a and M'tzora deal with TUM'A and TAHARA, the laws of Ritual Impurity and Ritual Purity. Beginning with a woman giving birth and then the presentation of the afflictions of TZARA'AT and NEGA'IM, - of body, clothing, and homes, ZAV & ZAVA - these two sedras are focused on TUM'A and TAHARA.

A summary and 'mission statement' of the topic can be found at the end of Parshat M'tzora, Vayikra 15:31 (gimatriya 5059) -

וְהִזַּרְתֶּם אֶת־בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל מִטְּמֵאתָם
 וְלֹא יָמוּתוּ בְּטִמְאתָם בְּטִמְאָם
 אֶת־מִשְׁכַּנִּי אֲשֶׁר בְּתוֹכָם:

And you shall separate the children of Israel from their uncleanness, so that they will not die on account of their uncleanness, if they defile My Sanctuary which is in their midst.

Our separation from TUM'A, our quest for TAHARA and K'DUSHA, is like a prerequisite for our realization of the goals of our Nationhood, as a People, and of each of us, as individual Jews.

That goal was conveyed to Moshe Rabbeinu at the burning bush, who then told the People of God's plans for us - To take us out of Egypt, to make a covenant with us at Sinai, and to bring us to Eretz Yisrael. Two p'sukim that have the same

TAZRI'A

GM In searching for Gimatriya Matches, I occasionally come across two p'sukim that reflect totally opposite themes or ideas. Take Vayikra 13:47 -

וְהִבְגֵּד כִּי־יְהִיָּהּ בּוֹ נֹגַע צֹרְעַת
 בְּבִגְד צֹמֵר אוֹ בְּבִגְד פְּשֵׁתִים:

[And as for] the garment that has the lesion of tzora'at upon it, on a woolen garment, or on a linen garment.

The Gimatriya of this pasuk is 2160. Five other p'sukim in Tanach had the same gimatriya, but nothing interesting to comment on. But using the NISTAR gimatriya of this pasuk - 5298 - resulted in four other p'sukim, one of which deals with a garment of wool - not one afflicted with a NEGA, but rather an exemplary garment on the opposite end of the spectrum of garments - the Kohen Gadol's M'IL. Sh'mot 28:33 in Parshat T'tzaveh -

וַעֲשִׂיתָ עַל־שׁוּלְיוֹ רִמְזֵי תְּכֵלֶת וְאַרְגָּמָן
 וְתוֹקֵעַת שָׁנִי עַל־שׁוּלְיוֹ סָבִיב וּפְעֻמְזֵי
 זָהָב בְּתוֹכָם סָבִיב:

And on its bottom hem you shall make pomegranates of blue, purple, and crimson wool, on its bottom hem all around, and golden bells in their midst all around.

gimatriya as our pasuk, relate to these sacred goals. The first is in Parshat B'chukotai, Vayikra 26:45 -

וּזְכַרְתִּי לָהֶם בְּרִית רְאשֵׁימֵי אֲשֶׁר
הוֹצֵאתִי-אֶתְכֶם מִמִּצְרַיִם לְעֵינֵי
הַגּוֹיִם לְהִיְוֹת לָהֶם לְאֱלֹהִים אֲנִי יְהוָה:

*I will remember for them the covenant
[made with] the ancestors,
whom I took out from the land of Egypt
before the eyes of the nations,
to be a God to them. I am the Lord.*

And the other pasuk is in Parshat D'varim, 1:21 -

רְאֵה נָתַן יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְפָנֶיךָ
אֶת-הָאָרֶץ עֲלֶיךָ רֵשׁ כְּאֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר יְהוָה
אֱלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֶיךָ לָךְ אֶל-תִּירָא וְאֶל-תַּחַת:

*Behold, HaShem, your God, has set the land
before you; go up and possess it, as
HaShem, God of your fathers has spoken to
you; you shall neither fear nor be dismayed.*

YOM HAATZMA'UT

GM Let's take the traditional greeting for Yom Haatzma'ut. One says to his fellow: MOADIM L'SIMCHA. The response is LIG-ULA SH'LEIMA

מועדים לשמחה - לגאולה שלימה

Good Yom Tov - To the Final Redemption

The gimatriya of these greetings is 1013.

Two identical p'sukim in T'hilim matched that gimatriya - 60:14 and 108:14

בְּאֱלֹהִים נַעֲשֶׂה-יוֹזֵל וְהוּא יָבוֹס צָרֵינוּ:

*Through God we shall gather might,
and He will trample our adversaries.*

May we suggest - without detracting at all from TZAHAL - that this twice-repeated pasuk speaks to the victories Israel has had, BARUCH HASHEM, and will continue to have until the GEULA SH'LEIMA when we will not be subjected to wars.

USFUNEI T'MUNEI CHOL is the title of my book of Gimatriya Matches - IY"H and BE"H. The title translates to Hidden in the Sand. That's how I feel about my Gimatriya searches. Like walking along the beach with a metal detector. Beep-beep-beep. Lean down and find something. Usually, nothing of note. But sometimes you find something special.