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T'RUMAH - CONTRIBUTIONS



Fourth century Menorah in Rehov stands on three legs, not a base. Retrieved 2/6/19 from Ha-aretz

TORAH – SH'MOT (EXODUS) 25:1 - 27:19

The Talmud discusses the shape of the Menorah and its measurements, and mentions that it has 'legs' without mentioning how many.

It was assumed that the Menorah had three legs, in other words a tripod base.

In fact many archaeological finds of Menorah inscriptions and mosaics, for instance in Bet Shaarim showed Menorahs with tripod bases.

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Sh'mot (Exodus) 25:31-40

31 "You are to make a menorah of pure gold. It is to be made of hammered work; its base, shaft, cups, ring of outer leaves and petals are to be of one piece with it.

"It is to be made of hammered work"

Luke 22

63 *Meanwhile, the men who were holding Yeshua made fun of him. They beat Him,*

Yesha'yahu (Isaiah) 53

5 But He was wounded because of our crimes, crushed because of our sins; the disciplining that makes us whole fell on Him, and by His bruises we are healed.*

“its base” – Strong’s #3409 יָרֵךְ yarek Meaning: 1) thigh, side, loin, base 1a) thigh

^{kjv} Genesis 46

26 All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins (יָרֵךְ), besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were threescore and six;

Acts 17

28 'for in him we live and move and exist.' Indeed, as some of the poets among you have said, 'We are actually his children.'

32 It is to have six branches extending from its sides, three branches of the menorah on one side of it and three on the other.

^{nau} John 15

5 "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

Z'kharyah (Zec) 6

12 and tell him, 'ADONAI-Tzva'ot says: "There is coming a man whose name is Tzemach [Sprout (^{nau} Branch)]. He will sprout up from his place and rebuild the temple of ADONAI.

What significance is there to you being a branch?

“It is to have six branches extending from its sides”

Yochanan (John) 19

34 However, one of the soldiers stabbed his side with a spear, and at once blood and water flowed out.

33 On one branch are to be three cups shaped like almond blossoms, each with a ring of outer leaves and petals; likewise on the opposite branch three cups shaped like almond blossoms, each with a ring of outer leaves and petals; and similarly for all six branches extending from the menorah. 34 On the central shaft of the menorah are to be four cups shaped like almond blossoms, each with its ring of outer leaves and petals. 35 Where each pair of branches joins the central shaft is to be a ring of outer leaves of one piece with the pair of branches- thus for all six branches.

36 The rings of outer leaves and their branches are to be of one piece with the shaft. Thus the whole menorah is to be a single piece of hammered work made of pure gold.

The repeated bud-and-flower motif suggested the almond tree bursting with bloom.

Word Biblical Commentary

B'midbar (Numbers) 17

23(8) *The next day Moshe went into the tent of the testimony, and there he saw that Aharon's staff for the house of Levi had budded- it had sprouted not only buds but flowers and ripe almonds as well.*

37 "Make seven lamps for the menorah, and mount them so as to give light to the space in front of it.

Yochanan (John) 8

12 *Yeshua spoke to them again: "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light which gives life."*

^{nau} **Isaiah 42**

6 *"I am the L-RD, I have called you in righteousness, I will also hold you by the hand and watch over you, And I will appoint you as a covenant to the people, As a light to the nations,*

^{nau} **Isaiah 49**

6 *He says, "It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nations So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth."*

^{nau} **Acts 13:46-49**

46 *Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of G-d be spoken to you first; since you repudiate it and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles. 47 "For so the Lord has commanded us, 'I HAVE PLACED YOU AS A LIGHT FOR THE GENTILES, THAT YOU MAY BRING SALVATION TO THE END OF THE EARTH.'" 48 *When the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord; and as many as had been appointed to eternal life believed. 49 And the word of the Lord was being spread through the whole region.**

The light of the menorah was dependent upon the oil.

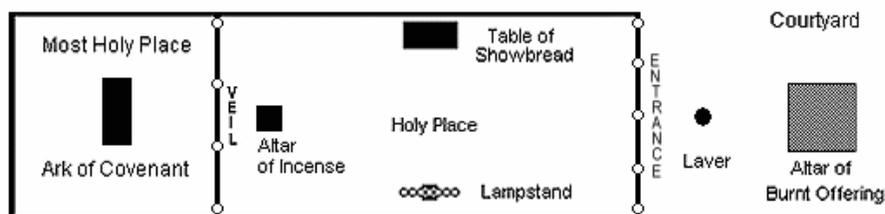
Note that without the lamps the Menorah would just be mere ornamentation!

“to give light to the space in front of it”

This would mean that the Menorah shines its light on the Table of Showbread.

^{nau} Exodus 25

30 "You shall set the bread of the Presence on the table before Me at all times.

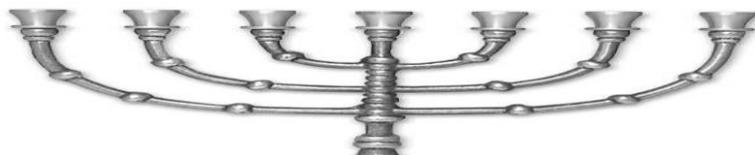


38 Its tongs and trays are to be of pure gold. 39 The menorah and its utensils are to be made of sixty-six pounds of pure gold. 40 See that you make them according to the design being shown you on the mountain.

Why was so much detail given to the formation of the Menorah?

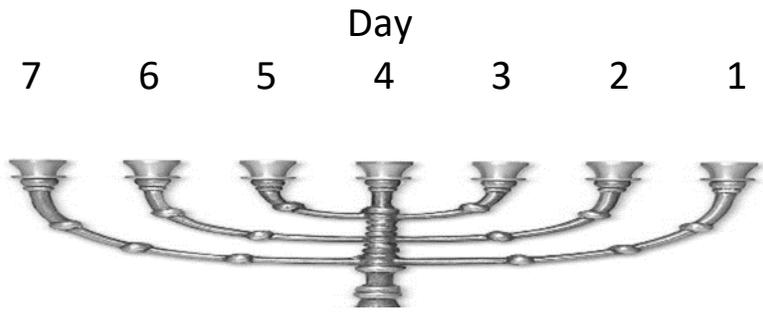
Z'kharyah (Zechariah) 4:6

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^{NAU} Zechariah 4

6(b) ... 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,'



The Days of Creation

Make	Day 1	Sunday	Light created and divided from darkness.
	Day 2	Monday	Atmosphere created and divided from oceans.
	Day 3	Tuesday	Land created and divided from water. Vegetation created.
Fill	Day 4	Wednesday	Sun, moon and stars created to fill the sky.
	Day 5	Thursday	Creatures created to fill sky and water.
	Day 6	Friday	Creatures created to fill land. Man created as pinnacle of Creation.
Rest	Day 7	Saturday	God rested from all His work.