

**VAYAKHEL-PEKUDE**  
**SHABAT HACHODESH 5780**

Candle lighting 6:51 PM

Shabbat ends 8:00 PM

This is my weekly Parshah summary for your study and learning at home. While there are a variety of Bibles easily accessible on the internet, please follow this link to the weekly Torah reading at Sefaria.com

<https://www.sefaria.org/Exodus.35.1-38.20?lang=bi&aliyot=0>

**1<sup>ST</sup> (KOHEN) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 35:1–29 ~ PAGE 373** ... Moses calls all the people together to bring the materials necessary to build the Mishkan (sanctuary). The narrative about the construction of the Mishkan begins, however, with a review of the laws of Shabbat.

**2<sup>ND</sup> (LEVI) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 35:30-37:16 ~ PAGE 375** ... Moses informs the people that God selected Betzalel and Oholiav as the chief architects of the project. God endowed these men with "a divine spirit of skill, ability and knowledge in every kind of craft and inspired him to make designs for work in gold, silver and copper." (Ex. 35:31). Betzalel and Oholiav are given the authority to seek out others in the community that possess similar talents and can assist in the actual construction of the Tabernacle.

**3<sup>RD</sup> (SHELISHI) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 37:17-29 ~ PAGE 379** ... This Aliyah describes the building of the Menorah. The primary function of the menorah was to illuminate the area around it at nighttime. The responsibility for lighting and tending the lamps was the exclusive prerogative of Aaron and his sons.

**4<sup>TH</sup> (REVII) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 38:1-39:1 ~ PAGE 380 ...** The altar of upon which the burnt offerings was constructed next.

**5<sup>TH</sup> (CHAMISHI) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 39:2-21 ~ PAGE 386 ...** In this Aliyah we see the fashioning of the special clothing worn by the High Priest. .

**6<sup>TH</sup> (SHISHI) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 39:22-43 ~ PAGE 387 ...** This Aliyah continues with the description of eh priest's clothing. In this section, the Priests robes, tunic, headdress, and sash are described in great detail.

**7<sup>TH</sup> (SHEVII) ALIYAH ~ SHMOT 40:1-38 ~ PAGE 389 ...** God commands Moses to set up the Tabernacle and put each item in its assigned place. Moses alone has the mental picture of the completed work, and therefore only Moses is given the task of erecting the Tabernacle. As he finished the work, the cloud of Divine Presence filled the Mishkan. This cloud was the visible, tangible sign of God's presence in the midst of the people.