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For those who do not know, the Portion name comes from the first word or words of the portion in Torah. This week Terumah is translated as "Heave Offering"

### The Torah Commentary:

*And YHVH spoke unto Moses, saying, Speak to the Children of Israel, that they bring Me an offering: of every man that gives it willingly with his heart you shall take My offering. And Let them make Me a Sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. According to all that I show you, the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of the instruments thereof, even so shall you make. And look that you make after their pattern, which was shown you in the mount. (Ex. 25:1,2,8,9,40)*

Pattern: a model, a template from which to make something. A visual picture or plans from which to construct or build; to make a representation of the original design; to imitate. A base from which one would follow after. *And this work of the candlestick beaten gold, unto the shaft thereof, unto the flowers thereof, beaten work: according unto the pattern which YHVH had showed Moses, so he made the candlestick. (Num. 8:4) Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say, Behold the pattern of the altar of YHVH, which our fathers made, not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices; but it a witness between us and you. (Josh.22:28) Then David gave to Solomon his son the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof, and of the treasuries thereof, and of the upper chambers thereof, and of the inner parlours thereof, and of the place of the mercy seat, and the pattern of all that he had by the Spirit, of the courts of the House of YHVH, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the House of God, and of the treasures of the dedicated things: Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the House of YHVH, and for all the vessels of service in the House of YHVH. (1 Chron. 28:11-13) And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight; and gold for the pattern of the chariot of the cherubims, that spread out, and covered the Ark of the Covenant of YHVH. YHVH made me understand in writing by hand upon me, all the works of this pattern. And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do: fear not, nor be dismayed: for YHVH God, my God, with you; He will not fail*

*you, nor forsake you, until you have finished all the work for the service of the House of YHVH. (1 Chron. 28:18-20) You son of man, show the House to the House of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the pattern. And if they be ashamed of all that they have done, show them the form of the House, and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comings in thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws thereof: and write in their sight, that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and do them. (Ezek. 43:10,11) How be it for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Yeshua Messiah might show forth all longsuffering, for a pattern to them which should hereafter believe on Him to life everlasting. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, honor and glory forever and ever. Amen. (1 Tim. 1:16,17) But speak you the things which become sound doctrine: that the aged men be sober, grave, temperate, sound in faith, in charity, in patience. The aged women likewise, that in behavior as becomes holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things; that they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children, discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed. Young men likewise exhort to be sober minded. In all things showing yourself a pattern of good works: in doctrine uncorruptness, gravity, sincerity, sound speech, that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you. (Titus 2:1-8) Now of the things which we have spoken the sum: We have such a High Priest, Who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; a Minister of the Sanctuary, and of the True Tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man. For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore of necessity that this Man have somewhat also to offer. For if He were on earth, He should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law: who serve to the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the Tabernacle: for, See, said He, you make all things according to the pattern showed to you in the mount. (Heb. 8:1-5) While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen temporal; but the things which are not seen eternal. For we know that if our earthly house of tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven. If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. Now He that has wrought us for the selfsame, this God, Who also has given to us the earnest of the Spirit. Therefore always confident, knowing that, while we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord. (1 Cor. 4:18-5:6) For we are laborers together with God: you are God's husbandry, God's building. According to the grace of God which is given to me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another builds thereon. But let every man take heed how he builds thereupon. For other foundation can no man*

*lay than that is laid, which is Yeshua Messiah. Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble: every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. If any man's work abide which he has built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire. Know you not that you are the temple of God, and the Spirit of God dwells in you? And you are Messiah's; and Messiah God's. (1 Cor. 9:16,23) What, know you not that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit in you, which you have of God, and you are not your own? For you are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's. (1Cor. 6:19,20) In My Father's House are many mansions: if not, I would have told you, I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to Myself; that where I Am, you may be also. And where I go you know, and the way you know. If a man love Me, he will keep My words; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him, and make Our abode with him. (John14:2-4,23) Our pattern: Messiah Yeshua, His life; ours.*