BIMIDBAR
Echad
We are One
And We Receive
TORAH
Echad
We are One
SHAVUOT

## We are Lifting Up!

Bimidbar Bet Mem Dalet Bet Resh In The Wilderness במדבר 2+40+4+2+200=248

Avraham Alef Bet Resh Hey Mem Abraham אברהם 1+2+200+5+40=248

B'Hibaram Lovingkindness and Mercy With the 248 Positive Commandments The world was created to receive Hey Bet Resh Aleph Mem הבראם 5+2+200+1+40=248

Nissam – Pesach becomes Iyar – Omer From Yah's Counting to Our Own We grow into our counting We become accountable

From Yah's Act of Lovingkindness bringing us out of Egypt
To Our Transformation in the Wilderness to Become Bride and Groom
From above to below, we learn how to do our own counting – OMER
OMER all the time

Count all the time the attributes that make us whole OMER

We are marrying to the Word

Let us prepare

For our Shavuot,

The renewal of our receiving of the way to union

TORAH

AHAVAH HATORAH

Love the Torah

Count Your Way There
We are almost out of the Wilderness
BEMIDBAR
Soon we shall cross into the Promised Land
We must count all the way all the time

Three times the census was taken
Always counting the census
Each, Each, Each and every one is counted
Each, Each, Each and everyone is a one who counts
Each, Each, Each and every name shall be tallied
Then there were 603,500 and
22,000 first born Israelites
and
22,000 first born Levites
22 Letters Above
22 Letters Below
Always creating

They were in the wilderness
We are in the wilderness together
Arranged in relation to the Holy of Holies
Around the Tabernacle
And
Yud Hey Vav Hey
Elohim

First Counting - From Above, we are instructed through Moshe Second Counting - From Above, Ahron is instructed by Moshe Third Counting - From Below, Ahron instructs us and We Unite with Above We are One

> As Above, so Below As Below, So Above

Through self-sacrifice, In the wilderness in order to transform, Together as a united people

## **MISHPACHAH** As a family **MISHPPUKCHKA**

In an orderly dispersion around the Tabernacle Each with our flags and banners An abundance of color, image, symbol and sign There we commune and herald and serve

Each and everyone

Equal by being counted and counting In our camp and activating our Tabernacle TACHASH, oh dazzling and attracting appearance, Our motivation to exit the wilderness

To get to our wedding

Beneath the beauty is the Beauty of beauty **TECHELET** 

The blue covering, the blue of the sky and the blue of the sea The color of the heavens above and the heavens below

> Pure and whole KISEI KAVOD

The Throne of Glory

Where we become betrothed Between the Waters Above and the Waters Below After our days in the wilderness B'MIDBAR

Oh come dance with me and unroll the scroll Be ready, oh brides and grooms, Torah is coming to wed you. Torah is here to wed us.

> We are lifting up! We are lifted up!

> > Omen Mazel Tov Hallelujah

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