## Purim Class with Rabbi Moishe New

1. Megillas Esther: Chapter 5, verse 14:

"And Zeresh his wife and all his loved ones said to him: Make a gallows 50 cubits high..."

- 2. Chapter 7, verse 9:
- "...behold the gallows, 50 cubits high... and the king said: Hang him upon it."
- 3. Midrash Mishlei Chapter 9:2:
- "All the Holydays will, in the future, become nullified. However, **Purim** will **never** become **nullified**.
- 4. Jerusalem Talmud Megillah 1:5 quoted by Maimonides, Laws of the Megillah chapter 2:18: All the books of the Prophets will be **nullified** in the Messianic Era, with the **exception** of the **Scroll of Esther**.
- 5. Chapter 9, verse 26:
- "Therefore they called these days **Purim** for 'pur' means the **lottery**..."
- 6. *ARIZAL:* Mount Nevo נ' בו = הר נבו.

Seven days of **creation**. Seven Divine attributes. Attributes interconnected.  $7 \times 7 = 49$ . Finite. **50** represents **The Infinite**. **Beyond** Creation / Divine System / Attributes / Heavenly Court.

7. Job 35:7:

It you have acted righteously, what have you given **Him**? And with your many iniquities, what have you done to **Him**?

8. Breishis Rabboh 42:1:

**Does G-d care** if you slaughter at the throat or at the nape of the neck? **Rather**, Mitzvos were given solely to refine the people.

9. Numerical value of 'Blessed be Mordechai' and 'Cursed be Haman' (from the blessings said after reading the Megillah) are the same:

10. The holiest name of G-d, the Tetragrammaton: 'The Eternal One':

י- ה-ו- ה Past הי-ה Present הוה Future י-הי

11. Tehillim 16:5

You are my portion. You are the support of my lottery-fate.

