

18:1 וַיִּשְׁמַע יְתָרו כֹּהן מִקְדָּשׁ תֹּהוֹן מֵשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר־כֵּל אֶת עַשְׂה
u-ishmo ithru ken mdkn cthhn mshe ath kl - ashr oshe
and-he-is-hearing Jethro priest-of Midian father-in-law-of Moses » all-of which he-did
אֱלֹהִים לְמַשְׁה אֱלֹהִים וְלִישְׁרָאֵל עַמּוֹ כִּי הַצִּיָּה אֲתָה יְהֻנָּה יְשָׁרָאֵל אֲתָה
aleim l-mshe u-l-ishral om-u ki - eutzia ieue ath - ishral
Elohim for-Moses and-for-Israel people-of-him that he-brought-forth Yahweh » Israel

מִמִּצְרַיִם :
m-mtzrim :
from-Egypt

18:2 וַיָּקֹח יְתָרו תֹּהוֹן מֵשֶׁה אֲשֶׁר־צְפָרָה אֲשֶׁת מֵשֶׁה אַחֲר
u-iqch ithru cthhn mshe ath - tzphre ashtth mshe achr
and-he-is-taking Jethro father-in-law-of Moses » Zipporah woman-of Moses after

שְׁלֹׁוֹתְּךָ :
shluchi-e :
dismissals-of-her

18:3 וְאֶת שְׁנִי בְּנֵי אֲשֶׁר שֵׁם הַאֲחֵר גַּרְשֹׁם קִי אָמַר גָּר קִיִּי
u-ath shni bni-e ashr shm e-achd grshom ki amr gr kiyyi
and» two-of sons-of-her whose name-of the-one Gershom that he-said sojourner I-became

בָּאָרֶץ :
b-artz nkrie :
in-land foreign

18:4 וְשֵׁם מֵאֵלִיְּזָר כִּי אֱלֹהֵיךְ אֱלֹהֵי אָבִי בְּעֹזְרִי
u-shm e-achd aliozr ki - alei ab-i b-ozr-i
and-name-of the-one Eliezer that Elohim-of father-of-me in-helper-of-me

וְנִצְלָנוּ מִחְרָב פְּרֻשָּׁה :
u-itzl-ni m-chrb phroe :
and-he-is-c rescuing-me from-sword-of Pharaoh

18:5 וַיָּבֹא יְתָרו מֵשֶׁה וּבְנֵיו וְאִשְׁתָּוֹתָה מֵשֶׁה־אָל
u-iba ithru mshe u-bni-u u-ashth-u al - mshe
and-he-is-coming Jethro father-in-law-of Moses and.sons-of-him and.woman-of-him to Moses

לִמְדָרְבָּר־אָל חַנְהָה הָאָל אֲשֶׁר־הַאֲלָהִים :
al - emdr ashr - eua chne shem er e-aleim :
to the-wilderness which he encamping there mountain-of the-Elohim

וַיֹּאמֶר יְאֹמֶר לְמַשְׁה אָנָּי מֵשֶׁה־אָל חַנְהָה אֲנִי כִּי אָלִיךְ אִשְׁתָּךְ
u-iamp al - mshe ani cthhn-k ithru ba alik u-ashth-k
and-he-is-saying to Moses I father-in-law-of.you Jethro coming to.you and.woman-of.you

וְשָׁנִי בְּנֵי עַמּוֹ :
u-shni bni-e om-e :
and.two-of sons-of-her with-her

18:7 וַיֵּצֵא מֵשֶׁה לְקַרְאָת מֵשֶׁה לְחַנְהָה אֲתָה כָּל עַשְׂה
u-itza mshe l-qrah cthhn-u chtn-u u-ishthchu
and-he-is-going-forth Moses to-to-meet-of father-in-law-of-him and-he-is-bowing-down-himself

וַיַּשְׁק וַיְשַׁק לְזַעַם וַיְשַׁאל אֲשֶׁר לְרֹעָה אִישׁ לְשָׁלֹם
u-ishq - l.u u-ishalu aish - l-ro.eu l-shlum
and-he-is-kissing to-him and.they-are-asking man to-associate-of-him to-well-being

וַיָּבֹא הַאֲהָלָה :
u-ibau eael-e :
and.they-are-coming the.tent.ward

18:8 וַיִּסְפַּר מֵשֶׁה לְהַגְּנוֹת אֲתָה כָּל אֲשֶׁר־כֵּל יְהֻנָּה
u-isphr mshe l-chthn-u ath kl - ashr oshe ieue
and-he-is-relating Moses to-father-in-law-of-him » all-of which he-did Yahweh

לְפָרֻעה וְלִמְצָרַיִם אֲזֹדָת עַל כָּל אֲתָה וְיִשְׁרָאֵל כְּתַלְלָה אֲשֶׁר מִצְאָתָם
l-phroe u-l-mtzrim ol audth ishral ath kl - e-thlae ashr mtzath.m
to-Pharaoh and-to-Egypt on cases-of Israel » all-of the.tiredness which she-found.them

בְּדַרְךְ וְיַצְלָם יְהֻנָּה :
b-drk u-itzl-m ieue :
in.the.way and.he-is-c rescuing.them Yahweh

18:9 וַיַּחַד יְתָרו עַל כָּל עַל כָּל אֲשֶׁר הַטּוֹבָה אֲשֶׁר עַשְׂה יְהֻנָּה לְיִשְׁרָאֵל
u-ichd ithru ol kl - e-tube ashr - oshe ieue l-ishral ashr
and-he-is-exhilarating Jethro over all-of the.good which he-did Yahweh to-Israel whom

¹ When Jethro, the priest of Midian, Moses'father in law, heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, [and] that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt;

² Then Jethro, Moses'father in law, took Zipporah, Moses'wife, after he had sent her back,

³ And her two sons; of which the name of the one [was] Gershom; for he said, I have been an alien in a strange land:

⁴ And the name of the other [was] Eliezer; for the God of my father, [said he, was] mine help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh:

⁵ And Jethro, Moses'father in law, came with his sons and his wife unto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God:

⁶ And he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her two sons with her.

⁷ And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of [their] welfare; and they came into the tent.

⁸ And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's sake, [and] all the travail that had come upon them by the way, and [how] the LORD delivered them.

⁹ And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the LORD had done to Israel,

הַצִּילוֹ מֵיד מְגֻרִים : מְגֻרִים :
etzil.u m.id mtzrim : he-^crescued.him from.hand-of Egypt

18:10 וַיֹּאמֶר יְתְרוֹ בָּרוּךְ יְהָה אֲשֶׁר יְהָה אֲשֶׁר הַצִּיל אֶתְכֶם מֵיד מְגֻרִים : מְגֻרִים :
u.iamr ithru bruk ieue ashr etzil ath.km m.id mtzrim : and.he-is-saying Jethro being-blessed Yahweh who he-^crescued » you(p) from.hand-of Egypt

וְמֵיד פְּרָעָה אֲשֶׁר הַצִּיל אֲתָה הַעַם מִתְחַת יְדֵי מְגֻרִים : מְגֻרִים :
u.m.id phroe ashr etzil ath.e.om m.thchth id mtzrim : and.from.hand-of Pharaoh who he-^crescued » the.people from.under hand-of Egypt

18:11 וְיָדַעַת קְדוּלֵי יְהָה אֲלֹהִים יְהָה אֲלֹהִים בְּדָבָר אֲשֶׁר
othe idothi ki - gdul ieue m.kl - e.aleim ki b.dbr ashr
now I-know that great Yahweh from.all-of the.Elohim that in.the.matter which

זָדוּ עַלְיהֶם :
zdu oli.em :
they-were-arrogant on.them

18:12 וַיַּקְרֵב יְתְרוֹ תְּחִנָּן מֹשֶׁה עַלְמָז וּזְבָחִים לְאֱלֹהִים
u.iqch ithru chthn mshe ole u.zbchim l.aleim : and.he-is-taking Jethro father-in-law-of Moses ascent-offering and.sacrifices for.Elohim

וְנִבְאָה וְלֹאָרֹן וְלֹאָלָה לְאַבְרָהָם לְאַבְרָהָם תְּחִנָּן עַם לְקַם
u.iba aern u.kl zqni ishral l.akl - lchm om - chthn : and.he-is-coming Aaron and.all-of old-ones-of Israel to.to-eat-of bread with father-in-law-of

לְפָנֵי מֹשֶׁה הָאֱלֹהִים :
mshe l.phni e.aleim :
Moses to.faces-of the.Elohim

18:13 וַיָּהִי מִמְּחֻרֶת נִשְׁבֵב מִנְשָׁה לְשִׁפט מִעֵד הַעַם אֲתָה
u.iei m.mchrth u.ishb mshe l.shpht od ath.e.om : and.he-is-becoming from.morrow and.he-is-sitting Moses to.to-judge-of » the.people

וַיַּעֲמֹד הַעַם מִן מִשָּׁה - עַל הַבָּקָר אֲתָה עַד הַעֲרָבָה :
u.ioimd e.om ol - mshe mn - e.bqr od - e.orb : and.he-is-standing the.people on Moses from the.morning until the.evening

18:14 וַיַּרְא תְּחִנָּן מִשָּׁה אֲתָה כָּל עַשְׂתָּה הוּא אֲשֶׁר לְעַם
u.irra chthn mshe ath.kl - ashr - euas oshe l.om : and.he-is-seeing father-in-law-of Moses » all-of which he doing for.the.people

וַיֹּאמֶר מָה קָה תְּחִנָּן אֲשֶׁר עַשְׂתָּה אֲתָה
u.iamr me - e.dbr e.eze ashr athe oshe l.om mduo : and.he-is-saying what ? the.matter the.this which you doing for.the.people for.what-reason

וְיֹשֵׁב אַחֲרֵךְ לְבָדָק וְכָל הַעַם נִצְבֵּא בְּקָר מִן עַלְמָז
athe iushb l.bd.k u.kl - e.om ntzb oli.k mn - bqr : you sitting to.alone.of.you and.all.of the.people n.stationing.themselves on.you from morning

עֲרָב עַד :
od - orb :
until evening

18:15 וַיֹּאמֶר לְחַתְנֵנוּ מִשָּׁה יְבָא - כִּי הַעַם אֲלֵינוּ
u.iamr mshe l.chthn.u ki - iba al.i e.om : and.he-is-saying Moses to.father-in-law-of.him that he-is-coming to.me the.people

לְדָרְשָׁה אֱלֹהִים :
l.drsh aleim :
to.to-inquire-of Elohim

18:16 וַיֹּהִי כִּי לְהַמָּה דָּבָר בָּא וְאֶלְיָהִי וְשִׁפְתֹּחַ בֵּין
ki - ieie l.em dbr ba al.i u.shphthhi bin aish u.bin : that he-is-becoming to.them matter one-coming to.me and.I-judge between man and.between

רְעֵהוֹ וְהַזְּדֻתִּי אֲתָה קָחַ קְרָבָה אֲתָה תְּרַתְּפִּיו :
ro.eu u.eudothi ath.chqi e.aleim u.ath.thurthi.u : associate.of.him and.I=make-known » statutes.of the.Elohim and.» laws.of.him

18:17 וַיֹּאמֶר תְּחִנָּן מִשָּׁה אֲלֹוֹתָה טֹב - לֹא אֲלֹוֹתָה קְרָבָה אֲשֶׁר עַשְׂתָּה
u.iamr chthn mshe ali.u la - tub e.dbr ashr athe oshe : and.he-is-saying father-in-law-of Moses to.him not good the.thing which you doing

18:18 נְבָל תְּבָל גַּם אֲקָה גַּם הַעַם הַנְּזָהָר עַמְּךָ אֲשֶׁר
nbl thbl gm - athe gm - e.om e.eze ashr om.k : to.wear.out you.are.wearing.out moreover you moreover the.people the.this who with.you

whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians.

10 And Jethro said, Blessed [be] the LORD, who hath delivered you out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh, who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

11 Now I know that the LORD [is] greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly [he was] above them.

12 And Jethro, Moses'father in law, took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Aaron came, and all the elders of Israel, to eat bread with Moses'father in law before God.

13 . And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses sat to judge the people: and the people stood by Moses from the morning unto the evening.

14 And when Moses'father in law saw all that he did to the people, he said, What [is] this thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning unto even?

15 And Moses said unto his father in law, Because the people come unto me to enquire of God:

16 When they have a matter, they come unto me; and I judge between one and another, and I do make [them] know the statutes of God, and his laws.

17 And Moses'father in law said unto him, The thing that thou doest [is] not good.

18 Thou wilt surely wear away, both thou, and this people that [is] with thee:

מִפְקַד קָבֵד כִּי תֹּכֶל לֹא עֲשָׂהוּ לְבָקָר :

ki - kbd mm-k e-dbr la - thukl osh.eu l.bd.k :
that heavy from.you the.matter not you-are-being-able to-do-of.him to.alone-of.you

for this thing [is] too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.

שָׁמֹעַ עֲתָה בְּקָלֵי אִיעָצָךְ וַיֹּהִי עַמְּךָ אֱלֹהִים 18:19

othe shmo b-ql.i aiotz.k u.iei aleim om.k
now listen.you ! in.voice.of.me I-shall-counsel.you and.he-shall-become Elohim with.you

¹⁹ Hearken now unto my voice, I will give thee counsel, and God shall be with thee: Be thou for the people to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God:

הַיּוֹה לְעֵם אַתָּה מַלְאֵלָהִים וְהַבָּאֵת הַקְּבָרִים לֹא אַתָּה 18:20

eie athe l.om mul e.aleim u.ebath athe ath e.dbrim al -
bebc.you ! you for.the.people before the.Elohim and.you.cbring you » the.matters to

²⁰ And thou shalt teach them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk, and the work that they must do.

הַאֱלֹהִים יַלְכֵד בָּהּ אֲתָה הַמְּעֻשָּׂה אֲשֶׁר נְשֹׁוֹן :

e.drk ilku b.e u.ath - e.moshe ashr ioshu.n :
the.way they-shall-go in.her and.» the.deed which they-shall-do

²¹ Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place [such] over them, [to be] rulers of thousands, [and] rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens:

תְּחִזְקָה וְאַתָּה תְּחִזְקִים אֶת קְהֻלָּתֶךָ 18:21

u.ezerthe ath.em ath - e.chqim u.ath - e.thurth u.eudoth l.em ath -
and.you.cwarn »·them with the.statutes and.» the.laws and.you.cmake-known to.them »

וְיַלְכֵד בָּהּ אֲתָה הַמְּעֻשָּׂה אֲשֶׁר נְשֹׁוֹן :

e.drk ilku b.e u.ath - e.moshe ashr ioshu.n :
the.way they-shall-go in.her and.» the.deed which they-shall-do

אֱלֹהִים אָנָשִׁי אַמְתָה שְׁנָאי אַמְתָה וְשִׁמְתָה בְּכָעֵז וְעַלְהָם שְׁרֵי אַלְפִים

aleim anshi amth shnai btzo u.shmth ol.em shri alphim
Elohim mortals.of truth ones-hating.of gain and.you.place over.them chiefs.of thousands

אַלְפִים שְׁרֵי מָאוֹת שְׁרֵי שְׁרֵי כְּמַשִּׁים וְשְׁרֵי כְּמַשִּׁים עַלְהָם שְׁרֵי תִּילְיָה וְרַאֵי

shri mauth shri chmshim u.shri oshrth :
chiefs.of hundreds chiefs.of fifties and.chiefs.of tens

²² And let them judge the people at all seasons: and it shall be, [that] every great matter they shall bring unto thee, but every small matter they shall judge: so shall it be easier for thyself, and they shall bear [the burden] with thee.

וְשִׁפְטוּ אֶת הַעַם אֶת בְּכָר בְּכָל עַת וְהִיא כָּל הַקְּבָר :

u.shphtu ath - e.om b.kl - oth u.eie kl - e.dbr :
and.they-judge » the.people in.every.of season and.he-becomes every.of the.matter

וְיַבְיאוּ אֶלְיָהָקְרֵב כָּל הַקְּטָן וְשִׁפְטוּ הַעַם :

e.gdl ibiau ali.k u.kl - e.dbr e.qtn ishphtu - em :
the.great they-shall-bring to.you and.every.of the.matter the.small they-shall-judge they

וְתַּקְלֵל מִעְלָךְ נְשֹׁא אֲתָה אָמֵן :

u.eql m.olik u.nshau ath.k :
and.clighten.yourself ! from.on.you and.they.bear with.you

²³ If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee [so], then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their place in peace.

הַקְּבָר אֶת אָמֵן הַזֶּה תְּשַׁעַח וְצַוֵּךְ וַיְכַלֵּת אֱלֹהִים 18:23

am ath - e.dbr e.eze thoshe u.tzu.k aleim u.iklth
if » the.thing the.this you-are-doing and.he.instructs.you Elohim and.you.are.able

עַמְּדָה וְגַם כָּל הַעַם אֶת הַזֶּה כָּל עַל מִקְמוֹ כָּבָא אֲשֶׁר כָּל

omd u.gm kl - e.om e.eze ol - mgm.u iba ashr kl :
to-stand.of and.moreover all.of the.people the.this on place.of.him he-shall.come

²⁴ So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and did all that he had said.

בְּשִׁלּוּם וַיִּשְׁמַע מֹשֶׁה לְקוֹל חֶתְנוֹ וַיַּעֲשֵׂה אֲשֶׁר כָּל :

b.shlum :
in.peace

u.ishmo mshe l.qul chthn.u u.ioish kl ashr :
and.he.is.listening Moses to.voice.of father-in-law.of.him and.he.is.doing all which

אָמֵר :

amr :
he.said

²⁵ And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.

וַיִּבְחַר מֹשֶׁה אֲנָשָׁה אֲנָשָׁה כִּיל מַכְלֵל וַיִּתְּנַתֵּן יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת 18:25

u.ibchr mshe anshi - chil m.kl - ishral u.ithn ath.m
and.he.is.choosing Moses mortals.of ability from.all.of Israel and.he.is.giving »·them

וְרַשִּׁים עַל רָאשִׁים שְׁרֵי אַלְפִים שְׁרֵי מָאוֹת שְׁרֵי כְּמַשִּׁים וְשְׁרֵי כְּמַשִּׁים

rashim ol - e.om shri alphim shri mauth shri chmshim u.shri :
heads over the.people chiefs.of thousands chiefs.of hundreds chiefs.of fifties and.chiefs.of

עִשְׁרָת :

oshrth :
tens

18:26 וְשִׁפְטוּ אֶת הַעֲםָן בְּכָל עַת הַדָּבָר אֲתָה הַקְּשָׁה
u.shphtu ath - e.om b.kl - oth ath - e.dbr e.qshe
and.they-judged > the.people in.every-of season » the.matter the.hard

יְבָאֹו וְכֹל מִשְׁה - אֶל יְבָאֹו וְכֹל מִשְׁה - אֶל מִשְׁפְּטוּ יְמִינֵיכֶם :
ibiau.n al - mshe u.kl - e.dbr e.qtn ishphtu em :
they-are-bringing to Moses and.every-of the.matter the.small they-are-judging they

18:27 וַיַּשְׁלַח מֹשֶׁה אֶת חֶתְנָו וְכֹל גָּלָק לֹא -
u.ishlch mshe ath - cthn.u u.ilk l.u al -
and.he-is-dismissing Moses » father-in-law-of.him and.he-is-going to.him to

אֶרְצֵךְ : פָּ
artz.u : p
land.of.him

26 And they judged the people at all seasons: the hard causes they brought unto Moses, but every small matter they judged themselves.

27 And Moses let his father in law depart; and he went his way into his own land.