

Shoftim Perek 20

- After seeing the body of the pilegesh b'Giv'ah the rest of Yisrael was horrified and wanted to know how it had happened.
- The Levite related the entire story that had happened in Giv'ah.
- Yisrael was united in their demand that Binyamin should hand over the perpetrators to be put to death.
- Binyamin refused to do so.
- Yisrael asked the Urim V'tumim who should go to battle against Binyamin first.
- A civil war ensued.
- Yisrael lost 30,000 lives in the two days after consulting the Urim V'tumim twice.
- The Urim V'tumim was consulted a third time regarding whether or not the war should be fought at all. Hashem responded that Yisrael would win.
- 25,100 members of Binyamin were lost in battle.
- The cities of Binyamin were burned to the ground.