

בְּנֵי־תָלַחַד הַחַמִּישִׁי חֲזוּלָה



...וְאֵלֶּה שְׁמוֹת בְּנֹתָיו מִזֹּלְחָה נְעָה
וְזֹלְחָה וּמִלְכָּה וְתַרְצָחָה: במדבר כז:א

This partial pasuk introduces us to the five daughters of Tz'lofchad, who came to represent a love and yearning for living in Eretz Yisrael.

In sharp contrast, we find this pasuk from Parshat Sh'lach:

וַיָּמָתוּ הָאֲנָשִׁים מִזֵּנֵי רַב־תְּהַאֲרִץ
רָעָה בַּמִּדְבָּר לִפְנֵי ה': במדבר יד:לו

This pasuk tells us of the fate of the 10 Meraglim who represent the opposite. Jews, who for whatever reason, want to remain in the Midbar, in the Diaspora, or choose new leaders and go back to Egypt.

Both quotes share the same gimatriya (2318). Ironic - no?

