

יג פִּתְשָׁגוֹן הַכֶּתֶב
 לְהַנְתִּיךְ דָּת בְּכָל מְדִינָה וּמְדִינָה
 גְּלוּי לְכָל הָעַמִּים
 וְלִהְיוֹת הַיְהוּדִים עֲתִידִים לְיוֹם הַזֶּה
 לְהִנָּקֵם מֵאִיְבֵיהֶם:

יד הַרְצִים
 רֹכְבֵי הָרֶכֶשׁ הָאֲחֻשְׁתָּרְנִים
 יֵצְאוּ מִבְּהָלִים
 וְדַחוּפִים בְּדַבַּר הַמֶּלֶךְ
 וְהִדַּת נִתְּנָה בְּשׁוֹשׁן הַבִּירָה:
טו וּמְרֻדְכֵי יֵצְאוּ מִלִּפְנֵי הַמֶּלֶךְ

בְּלְבוּשׁ מַלְכוּת
 תִּכְלַת וְחוּר
 וְעֵטֶרֶת זָהָב גְּדוּלָּה
 וְתִכְרִיךְ בּוּץ וְאַרְגָּמָן
 וְהָעִיר שׁוֹשׁוֹן צָהָלָה וְשִׂמְחָה:

טז לַיהוּדִים הִיטָה
 אוֹרָה וְשִׂמְחָה
 וְשִׁשׁוֹן וִיקָר:

יז וּבְכָל מְדִינָה וּמְדִינָה
 וּבְכָל עִיר וְעִיר
 מְקוֹם אֲשֶׁר דָּבַר הַמֶּלֶךְ וְדָתוֹ מִגִּיעַ
 שִׂמְחָה וְשִׁשׁוֹן לַיהוּדִים
 מִשְׁתָּה וְיוֹם טוֹב
 וּרְבִים מֵעַמֵי הָאָרֶץ מִתִּיהָדִים
 כִּי נִפְלַח פֶּחַד הַיְהוּדִים עֲלֵיהֶם:

1. How were the letters sent in a different way in Sivan than the first set of letters ?
2. Why were the couriers leaving in a "bewildered" state now, when they were not bewildered before ?
3. When were the [people of Shushan made aware of the decree ? Why ?
4. What time frame is Pasuk 15 referring to ?
5. When did Mordechai begin to wear royal clothes ?
6. In what merit was Mordechai now parading in grandeur ?
7. In what merit was Mordechai wearing royal attire ?
8. In what merit was Mordechai wearing a large golden crown ?
9. In what merit were the Jews in Shushan filled with cheer ?
10. What is the real meaning that the Jews had "light" ?
11. What is the real meaning that the Jews had "gladness" ?
12. What is the real meaning that the Jews had "joy" ?
13. What is the real meaning that the Jews had "honor" ?
14. Why is the fact that the Jews had Torah, Yom Tov, Milah, and Tefilin not mentioned in the text ?
15. What is the Jewish reaction upon hearing about the letters ? (4)
16. Why were the non-Jews attempting to convert to Judaism ?
17. Were they accepted ? Why ?