



Abba Hillel Silver Collection Digitization Project

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Succoth, 1955.

1). Two themes - Two motifs - merge. 2010 - 5-58 10/10 20
Desert - Sam Land; Wilderness - Promised Land.

② 2010 - 40 yrs. wandering in wilderness - across barren wastes - as nomads - Dwelling in Tents

It was a waste and howling wilderness - AmB 2010 10/10

"a land of drought and the shadow of death"

Sinai Peninsula - "sorriest of all desert pastures" -

Water is scarce - brackish and bitter -

It is largely a great barrenness of gravel & stone -

Called "Arabia Petris" "Stony Arabia" - Flint-land,

wild and desolate

Its mts and gorges & volcanic plateaus frequently swept by devastating sand-storms & rain-storms

Only here & there - a well - which made life possible for man and beast.

I In this land, our forefathers wandered for 40 yrs after
Bible - Complaints no water! no Food!

II Here also were lost.

III And this is first motif - Want! Scarcity!

Imperiousness!

(b) Second Mof. P, o/s 215 ^{Harvest} - Salted life in rich (2)
valleys & plains of Palestine - 231 211 x 25 7.10
 - From their fields and orchards - our fathers' but
things to Temple - 2 x 10 - 2 111 - 542 x 111
I this is second mof. - Plenty - Abundance - Prosperity

2. Both are realities in human life - Both should be
confronted wisely:

I On Adversity - we should not lose hope -
for the time, the wilderness is the Promised Land!
Hope! - 2 111 x 111

II On Prosperity - in danger of becoming past and present -
and (111) / (111) / (111) - are confident - arrogant
We shall remember - that there is always the possibility
of Drought - Famine - Loss, Fear - Sickness,
Accident - Bereavement -
The Desert creeping in on the same Land!

Humble; grateful, Charitable.
Eye was satisfied - 0.10 x 1.5?
A temporary frail 210

III (111) - Vanity -
IV. Hope in adversity! Humility in Prosperity