

PARSHAT TAZRIA  
LEVITICUS 12:1-13:59  
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*Abundance*  
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TO BRING FORTH SEEDS

1. אֲשֶׁה כִּי תִזְרֶעַ (Leviticus 12:2)  
זָרַע - to sow, scatter seed  
זָרַע - seed, sowing, offspring
2. First Order of Mishnah – זָרְעִים –  
Seeds  
Blessings  
Corner of the Field  
Doubtfully Tithed  
Mixtures  
Sabbatical Year  
Terumah (the priests' portion of the harvest)  
Tithes  
Second Tithe  
Challah  
Orlah (fruit of trees' first three years)  
First Fruits
3. ...Chavah, because she is the mother of all life. (Genesis 3:20)

4. ...this is not merely the idea of physical birth. The concept of being a mother is being creative, birthing new realities into this world. (Sara Esther Crispe, co-director of Interinclusion)
5. Heed, my son, the *musar* of your father; and do not forsake the *torah* of your mother. (Proverbs 1:8)
6. Even the empty ones among Israel are full of mitzvot, like a pomegranate is full of seeds. (B'rachot 57a)
7. Your lips are like a crimson thread,  
Your mouth is lovely.  
Your brow behind your veil  
Gleams like a pomegranate split open.  
(Song of Songs 4:3)
8. You shall make the robe of the ephod of pure blue....On its hem make pomegranates of blue, purple and crimson yarns all around the hem, with bells of gold between them all around... (Exodus 28:31, 33)