

## ~PIM (21)

- The price that the Philistines charged the Israelites for sharpening various metal implements.
- And all the Israelites would go down to the Philistines to get each one his plowshare or his mattock or his ax or his sickle sharpened. (1 Samuel 13:20)
- And the price for sharpening proved to be a **pim** for the plowshares and for the mattocks and for the three-toothed instruments and for the axes and for fixing fast the oxgoad. (1 Samuel 13:21)
- The **pim** apparently was a weight. Several stone weights found in Palestinian excavations bear the consonants of **pim** in ancient **Hebrew** characters, these vary from 7.18 to 8.13 grams (0.231 to 0.261 ounces troy). On this basis the **pim** would be approximately two thirds of a shekel.