PARASHAT KI TETZEI

1. Ki Tetzei – Go Forth
2. The past 2 weeks the start of school, drop off at dorms, school steps, on the corner and not at the classroom, mom I got it, you don't need to hug and kiss me
3. lots of advice:
    a. Separate the lights from the darks
    b. Don't drink, don't drink too much
    c. Eat real food
    d. Call home
    e. For younger children (and older)
        i. Make friends
        ii. Have fun but study hard, don't waste your time
4. This week parasha is rife with advice as well as Moses tells the Israelites as you go forth to settle the land, do these things
    a. Laws about family
    b. Sexual relations
    c. Marriage
    d. Property
    e. Burial
        i. The famous ones
            1. To build a fence around your roof
            2. If you find your neighbors ox return it
            3. To not yoke an ox with a donkey
5. The nexus of these two moments, the going into the land and going off to school got me thinking about advice. From Torah and from the living Torah that is our parents, teachers, siblings and friends.
    a. The Torah advises:
        i. If your fellows ox goes astray, do not remain indifferent, take it back to your fellow.
            1. Don't remain indifferent, Do not be self centered
                a. Notice things that are not about you
                b. Do something
            2. Do not link an Ox and Donkey to the same plow
                a. Everyone is unique, we can and must treat people differently
                b. Fence around roof
6. Best advice