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17. Who is fit to swear in Hashem's name?
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Parsha Answers:



1. **"And I prayed to Hashem at that time." Why "at that time"?**
3:23 - Defeating Sichon and Og, whose lands were part of *Eretz Canaan*, Moshe thought perhaps Hashem had annulled the vow against his entering the Land.
2. **What characteristic trait is represented by Hashem's "strong hand"?**
3:24 - His willingness to forgive.
3. **What is *ha'levanon*?**
3:25 - *Ha'levanon* means the *Beit Hamikdash*, which makes "white" (*lavan*), i.e., atones for, the Jewish People.
4. **What did Hashem tell Yehoshua after the battle of Ai?**
3:28 - Yehoshua must lead the army into battle.
5. **What will happen if the Jewish People fail to keep the *mitzvot* properly?**
4:9 - The non-Jewish world will regard them as foolish.
6. **How did the decree that Moshe not enter the Land affect him even in death?**
4:22 - Even his remains weren't buried in the Land.
7. **What is hinted by the word *v'noshantem*?**
4:25 - The *gematria* of *v'noshantem*, 852, hints at the number of years until the first exile.
8. **Why were the Jewish People exiled two years earlier than indicated by Moshe's prophecy?**
4:25 - So that the rest of the prophecy "that you shall utterly perish" would not be fulfilled.
9. **"You'll serve man-made gods." Is this literal?**
4:28 - No. It means you'll serve others who serve idols.
10. **Why is east called *mizrach*?**
4:41 - It's the direction from which the sun shines (*mizrach* means shining).
11. **"Keep the Shabbat day as I have commanded you." When had Hashem previously commanded us to keep Shabbat?**
5:13 - Before *Matan Torah*, at Marah. (*Shmot* 15:25)
12. **Where did the Jewish People first receive the command to honor parents?**
5:16 - At Marah. (*Shmot* 15:25).
13. **What is meant by "Hashem, our G-d, Hashem is One"?**
6:4 - Hashem, who is now our G-d, but not [accepted as] G-d of the other nations, will eventually be [accepted as] the one and only G-d.
14. **What are two meanings of loving Hashem "with all your might"?**
6:5 - 1) With everything you own. 2) Whether Hashem treats you with kindness or harshness.
15. **How well-versed must one be in Torah?**
6:7 - If asked a Torah question, one should be able to reply quickly and clearly.
16. **Where does the word *totafot* come from?**
6:8 - *Tot* means two in Caspi. *Fot* means two in Afriki. Together they allude to the four sections of tefillin.
17. **Who is fit to swear in Hashem's name?**
6:13 - One who serves Hashem and reveres His name.
18. **What does it mean that the Jews are the "smallest nation"?**
7:7 - *B'nei Yisrael* are the humblest nation.
19. **When someone serves Hashem with love, how many generations receive reward?**
7:9 - 2,000.
20. **Why are evil-doers rewarded in this world?**
7:10 - So that they get no reward in the next world.

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Dvar Torah:



In this weeks Parsha, Hashem tells Moshe “to stop speaking of this matter.” There are two questions that many people ask. One question is why does Hashem use the word “speak”? Most of the answers given is that Hashem and Moshe’s relationship was on such a high level that to us Moshe wasn’t speaking, he was davening, but Moshe was so holy that his speech was basically Tefillos. Another question that is asked, why did Hashem forbid Moshe to continue his prayer?

When this is all taking place, the Jews were ready to enter Eretz Yisroel. We know though that Moshe had to die first before they were allowed to enter. In the Gemara in Brachos says that if one prays at length, Hashem reciprocates with long life. If Hashem had to let Moshe extend his prayer he would have merited long life, ultimately delaying the Jewish people’s entry into Eretz Yisroel.

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Torah Treat:



In this weeks Parsha we are taught about the Mitzvah of playing a Mezuzah on your door post. In honor of this we will be making chocolate chip sticks with Shins on the top to look like a mezuzah.

Let's get started!

What you will need:

1. ½ cup sugar
2. ½ cup brown sugar
3. 1 egg
4. ½ cup oil
5. 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
6. ½ teaspoon baking soda
7. 1 ¼ cup of flour
8. ½ teaspoon salt
9. 1 cup chocolate chips
10. 1 cup mini chocolate chips



Let's get cooking!

1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
2. Mix the sugars, egg, and oil directly in the 9x13 pan. Add remaining ingredients and mix together. We found it easiest to do this with a gloved hand.
3. Once mixed, press the dough into the pan. Bake for 25-30 minutes or until edges are crispy. Cut into 18 bars while still warm. Let cool completely before breaking into sticks.
4. Place mini chocolate chips in the shape of a shin on top of the bar to look like a mezuzah.

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