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Yachad *Shabbas* *Packet*



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Parsha Questions:



1. Why did Hashem appear to Avraham after the *brit mila*?
2. Why was Avraham sitting at the entrance to his tent?
3. What were the missions of the three angels?
4. Why did Avraham enjoin the guests to wash the dust off their feet?
5. Why did Avraham ask specifically Yishmael, and not someone else, to prepare food for the guests?
6. Why did the angels ask Avraham where Sarah was?
7. When Hashem related Sarah's thoughts to Avraham, He did not relate them precisely. Why?
8. What "cry" from Sodom came before Hashem?
9. How many angels went to Sodom?
10. Why was Lot sitting at the gate of Sodom?
11. Lot served the angels *matza*. Why?
12. Why did Lot delay when he left Sodom?
13. Why were Lot and his family not permitted to look back at Sodom?
14. Lot's wife looked back and became a pillar of salt. Why was she punished in this particular way?
15. In what merit did Hashem save Lot?
16. Why did Avraham relocate after the destruction of Sodom?
17. Why did Avimelech give gifts to Avraham?
18. Why was Avraham told to listen to Sarah?
19. Why did Hashem listen to the prayer of Yishmael and not to that of Hagar?
20. Who accompanied Avraham and Yitzchak to the *akeidah* (binding)?

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Parsha Answers:

- Why did Hashem appear to Avraham after the *brit mila*?**
18:1 - Avraham was sick, so Hashem came to "visit" him.
- Why was Avraham sitting at the entrance to his tent?**
18:1 - He was looking for guests.
- What were the missions of the three angels?**
18:2 - To announce Yitzchak's birth, to heal Avraham and to destroy Sodom.
- Why did Avraham enjoin the guests to wash the dust off their feet?**
18:4 - He thought they were among those who worship the dust, and he didn't want any object of idolatry in his home.
- Why did Avraham ask specifically Yishmael, and not someone else, to prepare food for the guests?**
18:7 - To train him in the performance of *mitzvot*.
- Why did the angels ask Avraham where Sarah was?**
18:9 - To call attention to Sarah's modesty, so as to endear her to her husband.
- When Hashem related Sarah's thoughts to Avraham, He did not relate them precisely. Why?**
18:13 - For the sake of peace.
- What "cry" from Sodom came before Hashem?**
18:21 - The cry of a girl who was executed for giving food to the poor.
- How many angels went to Sodom?**
19:1 - Two; one to destroy the city and one to save Lot.
- Why was Lot sitting at the gate of Sodom?**
19:1 - He was a judge.
- Lot served the angels *matza*. Why?**
19:3 - It was Passover.
- Why did Lot delay when he left Sodom?**
19:16 - He wanted to save his property.
- Why were Lot and his family not permitted to look back at Sodom?**
19:17 - As they, too, deserved to be punished, it wasn't fitting for them to witness the destruction of Sodom.
- Lot's wife looked back and became a pillar of salt. Why was she punished in this particular way?**
19:26 - She was stingy, not wanting to give the guests salt.
- In what merit did Hashem save Lot?**
19:29 - Lot had protected Avraham by concealing from the Egyptians the fact that Sarah was his wife.
- Why did Avraham relocate after the destruction of Sodom?**
20:1 - Because travel in the region ceased and Avraham could no longer find guests.
- Why did Avimelech give gifts to Avraham?**
20:14 - So that Avraham would pray for him.
- Why was Avraham told to listen to Sarah?**
21:12 - Because she was greater in prophecy.
- Why did Hashem listen to the prayer of Yishmael and not to that of Hagar?**
21:17 - Because the prayer of a sick person is more readily accepted than the prayer of others on his behalf.
- Who accompanied Avraham and Yitzchak to the *akeidah* (binding)?**
22:3 - Yishmael and Eliezer.



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Dvar Torah:

In Perek Yud Ches, Pasuk Aleph, it says “Vehu Yoshev Petach Haohel,” “While he was sitting at the entrance to the tent.” Rashi asks why was Avraham sitting at the entrance of his tent? The answer he gives is to see if there is a passerby and take him into his home. Many Rabbi’s ask the question why Rashi chose the word “over veshav”, “passerby,” and not the more popular term “oreiach,” “guest?”

One of the popular answer’s falls into the idea of how Avraham was as a host. Sometimes a person can feel uncomfortable being a guest at someone’s house and not sure how to even enter the home. Avraham specifically watched the passersby to make sure they knew they were always welcome and should feel comfortable to come in. Additionally, the word “over” can also refer to the meaning of transgressed, committing an aveirah. Avraham’s home was also a place where people came to do Teshuvah and return back to Hashem.

May we all be zoche to be as welcoming as Avraham was and continue even in this difficult time to check in on our friends and make sure everyone is doing okay!

Wishing everyone a restful, peaceful, and meaningful Shabbos!

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Torah Treat:

In this weeks Parsha, Avraham is told that in exactly one year from now, he and Sarah will give birth to a son. Sarah laughs because of her old age! In honor of Sarah laughing, we will be making emoji cookies!

What you will need: (Cookies)

1. 2 large eggs
2. $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sugar
3. $\frac{1}{2}$ cup oil
4. 1 tablespoon of vanilla extract
5. 3 cups of flour
6. 1 teaspoon of baking powder

What you will need: (Icing)

1. 1 lb. confectioner's sugar
2. 3 large egg whites
3. $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. fresh lemon juice
4. black food coloring
5. red food coloring
6. yellow food coloring
7. blue food coloring
8. leave some white



Let's get started: (Cookies)

1. mix together the eggs, sugar, oil and vanilla
2. in a separate bowl mix the flour and baking powder
3. pour in the flour mixture and stir till all ingredients are combined
4. knead and place in balls on baking sheet
5. bake for 10 minutes at 350 Degree Fahrenheit

Let's get started: (Icing)

1. combine all the ingredients
2. separate into different bowls and add food coloring

- Once the cookies are cool, spread the yellow icing onto the cookies
- Place the red and black icing into two separate Ziploc bags and cut a small hole at the bottom
- Decorate your cookie in whatever face you would like!

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