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### Zmaanim

הדלקת נרות	5:42pm
מנחה עש"ק	5:50pm
שקיעה	6:00pm
נביא שיעור	8:30am
שחרית	9:00am
סוף זמן ק"ש	9:59 \ 9:23a
דף יומי	4:45pm
מנחה	5:33pm
שקיעה	5:58pm
מעריב	6:48pm

All times subject to change

### Parsha Stats for וירא

Number Of Pesukim: 147  
Number Of Words: 2085  
Number Of Letters: 7862  
Number of מצוות: 0

## אולי יש חמשים צדיקים...

When **אברהם** was pleading with Hashem to save **סדם** in the זכות of the 50 צדיקים, the Pasuk says **אולי יש חמשים צדיקים בתוך העיר**. In the Psukim that follow, **אברהם** repeatedly lowers the number of צדיקים from 45 to 40 to 30 to 20 etc...to ask Hashem if he will still destroy **סדם**.

One can ask, "What was going through **אברהם**'s mind?" Didn't **אברהם** know what kind of city **סדם** was?

Says the **אברהם** דבר that **סדם** was a culture that was so decadent that it put society into a spiritual tailspin. And even if one was righteous, it was almost impossible not to be sucked into the culture of debasement.

So when **אברהם** asked Hashem to save **סדם** for the sake of 50 צדיקים, *there were* 50 צדיקים. However, soon after there were only 45 left. 5 צדיקים had fallen to the societal pressures. And when **אברהם** was Mispallel for 45, there were 45... but a minute later there were only 40 and so on until there weren't even 10 צדיקים left. Such was the environment in **סדם**.

## גרש האמה הזאת...

The Pasuk says "גרש האמה הזאת ואת בנה כי לא יירש... עם בני אם יצחק". Is *this* the reason that **ישמעאל** should be banished from **אברהם**'s home, so that he will not inherit **אברהם**'s estate with **יצחק**? Wasn't it because of the influence **ישמעאל** would have on **יצחק**?

The **גמרא** in דברים פרק י"ג brings down the Pasuk in **בסי** (the instigator) where it says "כי יסיתך אחיך בן אמך".

Says **בן אמך** why does the Pasuk specify **א"כר ליסא**? Because between brothers from the same father there is a natural enmity since they are competing for their father's ירושה. Therefore, they will not have as much influence over their sibling. Whereas **אחיו מן האם** are not competing, therefore there is more of a chance that one will instigate the other to be **עובר עבודה זרע**.

Kid's Challenge Question # 1

**From where in this week's Parsha do we see that you make a סעודה to celebrate a ברית?**

Kid's Challenge Question # 2

**How old was the איל that מקריב was אנרהם instead of יצחק?**

Kid's Challenge Question # 3

**How old was יצחק at the time of the עקידה? How about דבקה?**

Kid's Challenge Question # 4

**How many מאלכים did אנרהם meet in this week's Parsha?**



Parsha Riddle

**What is the oldest animal in the world today?**

See Rabbi Zucker after Davening if you have any of the correct answers.

So what אנרהם is telling שרה is that since she witnessed מצחק (being עובד עבודה זרע) he will influence יצחק to be עובד עבודה זרע.

Even though ישמעאל and יצחק are brothers from the same father, they aren't competing for ירושה - אם יצחק - ירושה. Therefore, גרש האמה האזת ואת בנה.

## ויטע אשל בבאר שבע ...

The Alter from Kelm זיצל asks why does the תורה elaborate upon the acts of חסד by אנרהם אננו towards the מלאכים (which is not actual חסד) whereas all his חסד done with humans is only alluded to in the Pasuk of ויטע אשל בבאר שבע?

Answers Rav Chatzkel Levenstein זיצל that the תורה was trying to teach us something about אנרהם's חסד. The חסד that אנרהם did was expected of him because his מעלה and nature was that of חסד, and it was truly exemplary. However, when he was sick and old he was certainly פטור from any חייב of הכנסת אורחים. But for אנרהם that was not enough.

אנרהם knew that if there was חסד to do it was the רצון of הק"בה that the חסד be accomplished. So no matter what difficulty it entailed, no matter that he was פטור, his love of הק"בה and his desire to do the רצון of Hashem pushed him to be גומל חסד anyway.

If a person's motivation is not just to be יוצא but rather comes from a love of הק"בה then nothing stands in his way.

Note:

The Rav will be starting a נביא שיעור this Shabbos morning at 8:30am. The שיעור will begin learning שמואל א'. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

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The Yahrtzeit of Rav Schach זיצל is this Sunday.  
The Yahrtzeit of the Mirrer Rosh Yeshivah,  
Rav Avraham Tzvi Kamai זיצל also falls out this week.

## KID'S KORNER - KID'S KORNER - Kid's Korner - Kid's Korner - Kid's Korner

### All About **אברהם אבינו**

Father: **תרח**.

Wives: {**שרה**}, [**הגר**], (**קטורה**)

Sons: {**יצחק**}, [**ישמעאל**], (**שוה, ישבק, מדין, מרן, יקשן, זמרן**)

**אברהם** was born 1948 years after the Creation of the world.

At the age of 48 the **דור הפלגה** occurred.

At the age of 70 fought the 4 Kings, and Hashem made a **ברית** with him.

At the age of 75 he went to **בנען**, and then to **מצרים**.

At the age of 86 **ישמעאל** was born.

At the age of 99 **אברהם** had his own **ברית מילה**.

At the age of 100 **יצחק** was born.

At the age of 125 he left Plishtim and went to Chevron.

At the age of 135 his father **תרח** died.

At the age of 137 the **עקידת יצחק** takes place, **שרה** dies.

At the age of 160 his grandson **יעקב** was born.

**אברהם** died at the age of 175 years old -

That was 2123 years after the creation of the world.

### The Ten **נסיונות** of **אברהם**:

1. Thrown into the **כבשן האש**.
2. **לך לך מארצך**.
3. Hunger in **ארץ בנען**.
4. **שרה** taking his wife **פרעה**.
5. War of the four kings.
6. The dream at the **ברית**.
7. The **ברית** of **אברהם**.
8. Avimelech taking **שרה**.
9. Chasing away **הגר** and **ישמעאל**.
10. The **עקידת יצחק**.

### Did you know...?

**אברהם** at the age of 50 went to **נח** and heard about the **מבול**.

When **אברהם** died, Shem & Ever (**נח**'s sons) were still alive! (They even saw **יעקב**!).

**אברהם** was the 20th generation from the creation of the world.

## דברי הלכה – הלכות תפילה

(Shulchan Aruch א-ה : צ with Mishna Brurah)

9. One may not daven Sh'mona Esrei on any type of platform, or bench, etc. for two reasons;

a) Because he is afraid of falling and this will distract his kavannah, and

b) Because of the posuk in tehilim; "Mi'mamakim Korosicha Hashem" - from the depths I called to Hashem.

10. However, it is permitted to daven on a raised platform such as a bimah that has mechitzos, as this addresses both concerns; one is not afraid of falling, and it is considered it's own r'shus - not a raised area of the main r'shus.

11. L'chatchila one should not daven Sh'mona Esrei in a room without windows; so that if he loses concentration he can look up to shomayim and regain his Kavannah. One also should not daven outdoors in a place without any mechitzos (such as an open field or street), rather he should daven in a place that has a level of tznuis; as this helps bring out fear of the King and breaks his heart - pre-requisites for proper tefillah.

12. If one must choose between davening outdoors in an open area, or davening indoors in a room without windows, it is preferable to daven in the room without windows (since the Gemara calls one who davens outdoors in an open area a "chatzuf" - an arrogant person).

## Community News and Events

Mazel Tov to Menachem & Rozy Harris upon the birth of a baby girl. May they be zocheh to be migadel their daughter l'torah ul'ben Torah ul'chupah ul'maasim tovim!

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Simi and Yehoshua Fogel are sponsoring this week's Kiddush לוי"ה his Grandfather, R' Avrohom Yitzchak ben Rav Yehoshua Eliezer.

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Our father and son learning program will start this מוצאי שבת at 7:30pm. There will be raffles for exciting prizes and hot pizza will be served! Members of the shul and friends from the neighborhood are welcome and encouraged to attend.

If anyone would like to sponsor a week (\$150) please contact Chaim Szanzer at [chaimszanzer@gmail.com](mailto:chaimszanzer@gmail.com)

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The N'Shei Ohr Yisroel would like to thank all those that took time out of their busy schedule this past Sunday to listen to Devorah Heller "The Challah Maven".

The N'Shei would especially like to thank Sholy & Rachel Greenberger for so graciously hosting the event at their home and helping to make it such a success. A special thank you to all the sponsors who helped make this event possible.



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## Alumni Corner

The Yeshiva is proud to announce the First Annual Ohr Yisroel Alumni Melava Malkah! It will IY"H take place at the Yeshiva on Motzoei Shabbos Parshas וישב (Dec. 1st) Stay tuned for further details...

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Shiur in הלכות שבת given by Rabbi Braunstein every Monday & Wednesday night at 8:45pm followed by Maariv.

## Answers to last week's Challenge questions

Q. Who was אנרם's mother?  
A. The Gemarah in Bava Basra says that Amasla Bas Karnavo was אנרם's mother.

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Q. Which great woman came from לוט ?  
A. Rus came from לוט.

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Q. How do we know that after a גוי dies קריש is said?  
A. We all know that we don't *really* say Kaddish for a גוי, however the last Pasuk of Parshas Noach tells us וימת תרה בחרן and the next thing you know the Baal Koreh starts saying Kaddish! (Riddle)

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