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ויתרצו הננים בקרבה...

The Pasuk says 'ויתלך לדרש את ה' - that the children were running inside of רבקה. רש"י says that when רבקה passed the ישיבה of שם ועבר Yaakov attempted to exit his mother's womb and when she passed by a מקום עבודה זרה then עשו tried to leave causing רבקה to be confused.

The question is asked why would יעקב try to leave? After all wasn't he learning תורה with the מלאך as the גמ' in נדה says?

Many תירוצים are said on this. For example, ר' חיים is quoted as saying that even if you are learning with a מלאך, if the environment you are in is not pure, then it is better to leave than to stay with the מלאך. Therefore, since יעקב was together with עשו, he wanted to leave.

However, I once heard a פשט that יעקב realized that if he didn't "act up" when רבקה passed a Beis Medrash, then רבקה would not have been confused. She would have been resigned to the fact that she was having a רשע. Therefore, יעקב created confusion so that רבקה would find out that she was going to have one צדיק and one רשע. So to save his mother from עגמת נפש he "acted up".

הלעיטני נא מן האדם האדם הזה...

The Pasuk says 'וַיֹּאמֶר עֵשָׂו עַל יַעֲקֹב הֲלַעֲיִטְנִי נָא מִן הָאָדָם הָאָדָם הַזֶּה' "בי עיף אנכי, על בן קרא שמו אדום". And Eisav said to Yaakov, "Pour me some of that red stuff because I'm very tired. Therefore he was called Edom". עשו is called אדום because he referred to the ערשים as האדם האדם הזה.

This is quite curious, for if the תורה is saying that this event is defining of עשו's character, then why pick the phrase that עשו used? Why not use the actual word ערשים?

Perhaps we can understand that עשו's sale of the בכורה highlights his shallow and superficial view of life. He chose lentils over the בכורה - he

Zmaanim

הדלקת נרות	4:25pm
מנחה עש"ק	4:33pm
שקיעה	4:43pm
נביא שיעור	----
שחרית	9:00am
סוף זמן ק"ש	8:31 / 9:07a
דף יומי	3:30pm
מנחה	4:17pm
שקיעה	4:42pm
מעריב	5:32pm
Learning Program	6:15pm

All times subject to change

Parsha Stats for תולדות

Number Of Pesukim: 106
 Number Of Words: 1432
 Number Of Letters: 5426
 Number of מצוות: 0

KID'S KORNER

Kid's Challenge Question # 1

Why was עשו called אדום?

(Read the D'var Torah for a hint)



Kid's Challenge Question # 2

Who died the day that עשו sold the נברה?



Kid's Challenge Question # 3

עשו only asked for the lentil soup. Why did יעקב give him bread too?

See Shimmy Hersko after Davening if you have any of the correct answers.

chooses עולם הזה over עולם הבא. And when עשו described the lentils he chose only to describe them by their color. Color is the most superficial aspect of any object and that is what עשו sees.

So in the defining moment of his life עשו's use of the word אדום actually describes himself! Therefore עשו is called אדום.

ויתן לך האלקים מטל השמים...

When יצחק gives the Brachos to יעקב, the Pasuk says "ויתן לך האלקים מטל השמים ומשמני הארץ". "And may ה' give you from the dew of the heavens and the fatness of the earth". רש"י says "ויתן ויחזור ויתן" meaning that the extra "ו" at the beginning of ויתן implies giving repeatedly.

One can ask, why is this such a ברכה? Why can't Hashem give so much ברכה that in one fell swoop יעקב has so much that he won't need any more?

Perhaps we can juxtapose this ברכה with the קללה of the נחש where Hashem said "על גחנך תלך ועפר תאכל כל ימי חיך" - You will go on your belly and eat dust all the days of your life.

One can ask, why is this a קללה for the נחש? The נחש is set for life - he has all of his פרנסה needs taken care of?

We can answer this with a Mashul. There was once a king who had two sons. One son was a good son and followed in the ways of his father, the king. The other son was rebellious and was an embarrassment to the kingdom which angered the king greatly.

The king wanted to ensure that both of his sons had enough money and wealth to live off of as they grew up. Although he was upset with him, the king gave the rebellious son a large sum of money and he sent him off on his own to live elsewhere.

To the good son, however, he gave only a small sum of money that would last him just a short while. This puzzled the advisors of the king since they assumed the good son would be given the larger sum of money.

The king explained that by giving a small amount to the good son, he was ensuring that the good son would keep on returning to him for more. This would help maintain his relationship with his son and show his son that he wants him to keep on coming back. The rebellious son on the other hand has enough money that he will never have to return to face the king again.

The ברכה to יעקב was that ה' should give you what you need but He should give it to you in small amounts so you should return to Him for more.

Yahrtzeits that fall during this week

Shabbos November 10th - 29th Cheshvan - Reb Yitzchak Eizik Chover, author of Binyan Olam and Si'ach Yitzchak. One of his talmidim, Reb Yitzchok Kahane, wrote Toldos Yitzchok.

Sunday November 11th - 1st Kislev - Reb Shulem Shachna of Lublin. rebbe and father-in-law of Reb Moshe Isserles, the Rama. The 16th century was a period of growth and enlightenment for the Jewish community of Lublin, which had the third largest Jewish community in Poland in this period. The Lublin Yeshiva was established in 1515 by Shalom Shachna (d. 1558). He was succeeded as head of Lublin by Reb Shlomo Luria, the Maharshah.

Reb Yosef Shmuel of Cracow, author of Mesoras Hashas. The Chidoh, in his biography of R' Yosef Shmuel zt"l, wrote that the Rav of Frankfurt learned all of Shas 42 times, fulfilling the commandment "Vedibarto `bom'," (the Gematria of `bom' being 42). He also added that for 25 years he learnt standing on his feet and all his learning was Torah Lishmoh!

Monday November 12th - 2nd Kislev - Reb Akiva Sofer of Pressburg (1960), author of Daas Sofer. Son of Reb Simcha Bunim Sofer (The "Shevet Sofer"), grandson of the "Kesav Sofer" (Reb Avrohom Shmuel Binyamin Sofer) and the great-grandson of the "Chasam Sofer" (Reb Moshe Sofer).

Reb Aharon Kotler (1892-1962), Rosh Yeshivas Bais Medrash Govoah, Lakewood; son-in-law of Reb Isser Zalman Meltzer. The son of Rabbi Shneur Zalman Pines, Reb Aharon was known as the "Shislovitzer iluy." At 14 he entered the Slobodka Yeshiva, where he learnt under the Alter and Reb Moshe Mordechai Epstein. He also heard Shiurim from Reb Boruch Ber, who had his own Yeshiva in one of the suburbs of Slobodka. He married the daughter of Reb Isser Zalman Meltzer, head of the Yeshiva Etz Chayim in Slutsk, and became his assistant (1914). Even before he was 25 years old, he became one of its Roshei Yeshiva. After the Yeshiva's forced transfer to Kletsk in Poland - due to the Bolchevik takeover and religious persecution (1921), Reb Isser Zalman emigrated to Erez Ysra'el, and Rav Kotler directed the Etz Chayim for 20 years. With the Soviet occupation of Poland in 1939, Reb Kotler escaped first to Kobe, Japan, then to the United States (April, 1941). Reb Aharon assumed a leading role in the operations of the Vaad Hatzoloh. Under his leadership, Beth Medrash Govoah opened in a converted house in Lakewood, New Jersey in April 1943, and the Yeshiva and Kollel student body increased from the original 14 to 140 in 1962, the year of Reb Aharon's Petirah. Reb Aharon also headed Chinuch Atzmai, the network of Torah day schools in Israel, founded in 1953, and he took over the leadership of Torah U'Mesorah, the American day school movement, after the Petirah of its founder, Reb Shraga Feivel Mendelowitz. He also headed Agudas Yisroel's Moetzes Gedolei Hatorah.

Rabbi Dr. Dov Revel, President and Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshiva Rabbeinu Yitzchak Elchanan in New York.

Tuesday November 13th - 3rd Kislev - Reb Meshulam Ashkanazi of Lordship Park, Stamford Hill, London - The Stanislaver Rebbe, buried in a special Ohel in Enfield London, where many people go to Daven with "kvitech".

Wednesday November 14th - 4th Kislev - Reb Yaakov Moshe Kulevsky, learned at Torah Vadaas in his early 20s, while serving in the army. Rosh Yeshiva at Ner Yisroel in Baltimore after Reb Yaakov Weinberg's Petirah (2002).

Reb Nosson Meir Wachtfogel, the Lakewood Mashgiach. Reb Nosson was born on 9 Adar in Kuhl, Lithuania. His father, Reb Moshe Yom Tov was one of the 14 original students of the Yeshiva in Slutsk. (Another of these students was R' Aharon Kotler). Reb Nosson himself began his education in the Yeshiva in Kelm. When he was fifteen, he came to the United States - his father had accepted a Rabbinic post in Montreal - and enrolled in Yeshivas Rabbeinu Yitzchak Elchanan (forerunner of the Talmudic division of Yeshiva University). After two years there, he returned to Lithuania to study at the Mir Yeshiva. He also studied under Reb Shimon Shkop, and in Kamenez, under Reb Baruch Ber Lebowitz. Beginning in 1941, Reb Nosson joined with Reb Aharon Kotler to develop the Lakewood Yeshiva. He left several children, including Reb Elya Ber Wachtfogel, Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshiva sZichron Moshe in South Fallsburg, New York. (1910-1998)

Reb Yaakov Dovid Kalish (1803-1878), founder of the Amshinov dynasty. His brother, Reb Menachem Mendel, continued the Vorki dynasty from their father, Reb Yitzchak Kalish (1779-1848). Reb Yaakov Dovid married the daughter of a well-known chasid from Ger. When the Rebbe of Ger passed away, the community turned to the pious, brilliant young man and took him as their Rebbe. This was before the time of the famous "Chidushei Harim," when Ger was not yet famous. It is not known why Reb YaaKov Dovid left Ger and went to Peshischa, nor why he remained in Peshischa only a year and a half. He was hired as Rav of the town of Amshinov, where he remained to the end of his days. There, he became known as the Rebbe of Amshinov. Reb Menachem, the oldest of Reb Yaakov Dovid's three sons, inherited the mantle of Amshinov from his father for 40 years (1918).

Thursday November 15th - 5th Kislev - Reb Baruch Ber Leibowitz, Rosh Yeshiva of Kamenitz (1940); father-in-law of Reb Reuven Grozovsky, who became his successor.

Reb Shmuel Eliezer HaLevi Eidels, the Maharsha (1631); born in Krakow in 1555. His father, Reb Yehuda, was an eminent Talmid Chacham who descended from Reb Yehuda Hachassid, as well as from Reb Akiva Hakohen Katz, the father-in-law of the Shela Hakadosh. His mother was the granddaughter of Reb Yehuda Loewe, the Maharal of Prague. Rebbetzin Eidel Lifschitz of Pozna, the wealthy widow of Reb Moshe Lifschitz, the Rov of Brisk, made a match between her daughter and the Maharsha. She also supported her other son-in-law, Reb Moshe Ashkenazi, author of Zichron Moshe, with whom the Maharsha studied. In appreciation of his mother-in-law's efforts, the Maharsha added the name Eidels to his own name, and from then on called himself Shmuel Eliezer Eidels. Rebbetzin Eidel passed away in 5368 at the age of 100. During his years as Rosh Yeshiva in Austroha, the Maharsha compiled his monumental Chiddushei Halachos on the Shas and his Chiddushei Aggados on the Aggados of the Talmud.

Reb Dovid Luria, (1798-1855), the Radal, Talmid of the Vilna Gaon, wrote an important commentary on Pirkei D'Rabbi Eliezer.

Friday November 16th - 6th Kislev - Stropkover Rebbe - Rabbi Yechezkel Shraga Halberstam - Lipshitz 5755 1995, Author of Divrei Yechezkel Shraga. - Har Hamenuchos Chelkas Harabonim

Shabbos November 17th - 7th Kislev - Reb Shlomo Binyamin Halevi Ashlaq, author of the Peirush Hasulam

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Please submit articles, ideas, Divrei Torah, stories etc... to newsletter@ohryisroel.org



חנוכה Contest

Each newsletter between now and חנוכה will feature a short article, דבר תורה, poem, story or drawing submitted by children in the shul (or adults!) on the topic of חנוכה. The best articles or drawings will be chosen & printed each week.

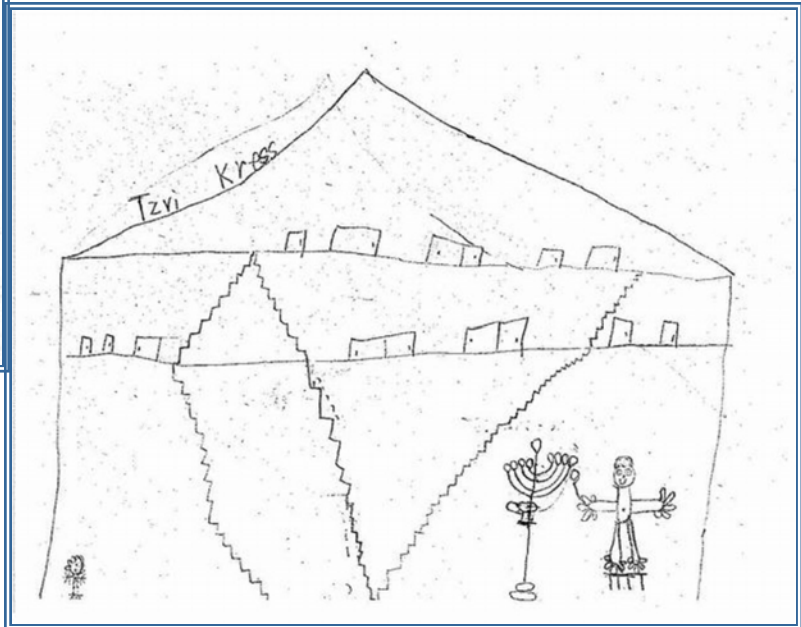
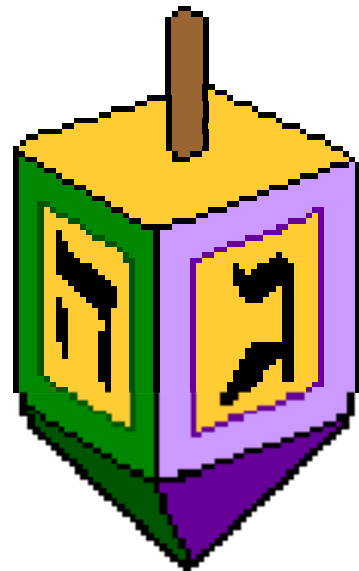
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1) menorah. 2) doughnuts.
 3) latkes. 4) Chanukah.
 5) dreidel. 6) candles.
 7) oil. 8) chagigah.



Community News and Events

Mazel Tov to Charlie & Selena Jearolmen on the birth of a baby boy!

The Shalom Zachor will I"YH take place this Friday night in the Shul at 7:30PM.
Yeshiva Gedolah Ohr Yisroel
2899 Nostrand Avenue.

The Bris will be IY"H on Sunday morning, Nov. 11th, Shacharis 9:00AM, Bris 10:00AM at Yeshiva Toras Emes, Kaminetz:
1904 Avenue N.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.
- Charlie, Selena, Dovi, Sarah & Leah.

This week's Father and Son **מוצאי שבת** learning program is sponsored by Menachem Fischer.

Join us this **מוצאי שבת** at 6:15pm for learning, prizes and pizza!

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

Alumni Corner

Mazel Tov to Dovid Stein on his engagement to Dina Loeffler.

The Vort will take place this **מוצאי שבת** at the Renaissance Ballroom located at 5902 14th Ave.

May the Stein and Loeffler families see much Nachas from Dovid & Dina.

Kashrus Alerts

Brand: Godiva Liqueur
Product: Caramel Milk Chocolate Cocktail
Company: Godiva Liqueur Company- Norwalk, CT

Issue: This certified product contains dairy ingredients as listed on the ingredient panel but the dairy designation has been inadvertently omitted. Future packaging will be revised.

Product: Skittles & Starburst Variety Packs
Containing: Skittles Original Fruit, Skittles Sours, Starburst Original Fruit, Starburst Mixed Fieldberries, Starburst Sours
Company: Effem Inc. - Bolton, Ontario

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