

Questions on the Mibereshit Parsha Sheet

...for parents and children to study together

Day School Edition

Parshat Terumah, Adar Rishon 5765

Read Rav Elon's introductory D'var Torah.

1. Put the following sentences (events) into the correct order (the order in which they happened):

The splitting of the sea

Moshe climbed Har Sinai on 6th Sivan to receive the first luchot (containing the Ten Commandments)

Moshe came down Har Sinai on 17th Tammuz

B'nei Yisrael arrive at Har Sinai

Moshe saw the Jewish people worshipping the golden calf

Moshe climbed the mountain again on the 1st Ellul

The Jewish People received complete forgiveness on Yom Kippur

Moshe prayed to Hashem to forgive the Jewish People

Moshe descended with the second luchot

2) Where in the Torah does the Mitzva to build the Mishkan appear?

3) a) What actually happened first, the story of the golden calf or Moshe receiving the command to build the Mishkan?

b) What reason does Rav Elon give for these events appearing in the wrong order in the Torah?

c) Why should it be a trait of Hashem that He ensures He has a solution or cure ready even prior to the occurrence of an unfortunate event?
Why not just create the right cure once it is required?

Now read the story, "A Mean Trick."

4) What is the main lesson of this week's story?

5) What is the difference between laughing *at* someone and laughing *with* them?

6) Look at Pirkei Avot (Ethics of the Fathers), Chapter 4, Mishnah 1:

According to Ben Zoma, a. who is rich? b. who is wise?

Now look elsewhere in the daf to answer these:

7) What always remained inserted in the rings in the corners of the Aron?

8) How can it be that people who donate money to support those who learn Torah are considered *equal partners* in the merit of that Torah learning?

9) The Jewish People had to use Acacia wood for building the Mishkan; how did they get hold of this in the desert?

10) How did Moshe know what the Menorah should look like?

11) What was the name of the person given the special job of making the different parts of the Mishkan?

12) Which two of the morning brachot, 'Birchot Hashachar', mention the Jewish People? How do you understand these two brachot?

Parents, please sign below to indicate that you used these questions to help you discuss the Mibereshit Parsha Sheet.

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Please circle any questions that led to interesting discussion:

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Thank you!

Shabbat Shalom!