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Matot

July 19, 2014 - Tammuz 21, 5774

TORAH PORTION OF THE WEEK

Matot includes the laws of making and annulling Lyows, the surprise attack on Midian (the '67 War wasn't the Jewish people's first surprise attack!) in retribution for the devastation the Midianites wreaked upon the Jewish people, the purification after the war of people and vessels, dedicating a portion of the spoils to the communal good, the request of the tribes of Reuben and Gad for their portion of land to be east of the Jordan river (yes, Trans-Jordan/Jordan is also part of the Biblical land of Israel). Moshe objects to the request because he thinks the tribes will not take part in the conquering of the land of Israel; the tribes clarify that they will be the advance troops in the attack and thus receive permission.

TORAH LESSON OF THE WEEK

efore the war on the Midianites, Moshe spoke to the **D**people saying:

"Detach from you men for the army, and they shall be against Midian to take the Almighty's vengeance against Midian." (Numbers 31:3)

The commentary Sifri tells us that even though Moshe heard that he would die after this battle, he nevertheless acted with joy and did not procrastinate. What lessons can we learn from this?

Two important traits in doing the will of the Almighty (or any task in life) -- even though we find it difficult -are to do it with joy and to do it without delay.

The more difficult it is to do, the greater the reward. As it says in Pirke Avot, Ethics of the Fathers (5:23), "According to the effort is the reward." The most precious thing a person has is life itself. Knowing that fulfilling the will of the Almighty will cost one's life is the greatest difficulty possible. Exactly because of this Moshe experienced joy in fulfilling this act and he did it with great speed.

The more difficult it is to do, the greater joy you can experience. Just focus on the joy of accomplishing something meaningful and on your overcoming your inclination to procrastinate!"

Halachot -The 3 Weeks

¶Once the month of Av begins (Monday) we minimize our happiness" mishenikhnas av, mema'atim besimcha.... These days are dedicated to prepare ourselves for remembering and mourning for the destruction of our Beth Hamikdash.

In addition to the restrictions we mentioned previously for the three weeks, one of the ways we express our sorrow until the 9th of Av (the "Nine Days") is by abstaining from eating meat. There are communities in which people do not consume meat and don't drink wine during the entire three weeks. Others, restrict themselves only during the week of Tish'a B'Av. In the Mashadi community, we do not eat meat during the "Nine Days" except for Rosh Chodesh Av and Shabbat.

A person who is sick or weak or a woman during the first 30 days after giving birth, are allowed to eat meat. It would be preferable, if possible, if they eat chicken instead of red meat. Fish is allowed during these days.

TEST YOUR JEWISH I Q: Israel

- 1- Which is the most popular male first name in Israel?
- (a) Yaakov (b) Yosef (c) Shmuel
- 2-Which is the most popular female first name in Israel?
- (a) Chana (b) Shoshana (c) Michal
- 3)-Which is the most popular family name in Israel? (a) Cohen (b) Levy (c) Goldberg

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BEST OF AISH HATORAH

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In this week's Torah portion, God tells Moses that the Jewish people should wage war against the people of Midian. Moses then gave them specific instructions on how they should wage this war. When they returned from the battle, however, Moses learned that they failed to follow his exact instructions and:

"Moses... and all the leaders of the assembly went out to meet them outside the camp. Moses was angry with the commanders of the army..." (Numbers 31:13).

Even though Moses was clearly upset with those who were in charge of the battle, he did something so vitally important in leadership - he went out to meet them outside the camp. Moses practiced one of the most important concepts in dealing with people - and that's always to reprimand people in private.

Sadly, people in a position of authority don't like doing this because they have a strong ego-based need to put their power on display for all to see. So, in an effort of to show everyone that "they're the boss," they actually like to reprimand people in front of others. This makes you no better than a school yard bully and clearly makes you much more of a coward than a leader.

Ironically, people act this way because they wrongly believe that they'll actually gain respect by occasionally (or regularly) letting everyone know that they're in charge. But great leaders have long recognized that people truly want to do the right thing and publicly adding salt to their wounds is just plain stupid.

Parents are the most important "leaders" in the world. God entrusts them with the responsibility of raising His children, and He certainly doesn't want His children to be publicly ridiculed. There are certainly times that parents have a rush of frustration when their child does something wrong and have a powerful urge to yell at them for all to hear. But this isn't at all how to discipline or educate your child. Even though Moses was angry with his commanders, he didn't let it get the better of him. He chose to go outside the camp so he wouldn't embarrass them in front of their men.

There are countless times throughout the day that you'll be in a position of being a "boss." Whether as a customer in a store, a patron at a restaurant, or hiring a landscaper - for a brief period of time you can act any way you choose. While you might feel a need to let these people know "who's in charge," it will only make you look like a fool. And if there is something they did that you're upset about, then let them know without anyone else being able to hear. This will not only make them actually listen to what you're saying, but it will also build your own self-esteem by not living in the fantasy world that you can get taller by publicly knocking someone else down.

ISRAEL IN THE NEWS

Israel's tourist industry takes its own hit

Many tourists are seeking to shorten their vacations in Israel and leave the country as soon as possible, due to the ongoing rocket fire at the center of the country, Gush Dan and the growing feeling of a lack of security over the past two days.

Hoteliers told Ynet on Friday that tourists vacationing in the south of the country have been trying to move north, while tourists in the center of the country are asking to leave Israel altogether.

"It began with a guest here and a guest there, but has greatly intensified in the last two days," said Reuben Alex, CEO of Fattal Hotels.

"We have a lot of cancellations by tourists and even Israelis, due to IDF reservist call-ups," he said. "Many (tourists) wanted to leave, but are having problems as all the outgoing flights are full, and it's hard to find seats on the planes."

Alex added that for now, it is not yet a mass exodus, but the situation will become clearer after the weekend.

Another hotelier told Ynet on Thursday that that all the rosy predictions of another record year for Israeli tourism had been dashed. "There's no more people leaving, but there has been a halt to reservations from abroad for groups from September to November, and cancellations from abroad have begun at a greater rate. It seems that we are not in for an easy time at all." Tourism Ministry officials will meet Sunday with industry representatives for a briefing on the state of the hotels, cancellations and future reservations, as well as to discuss wavs to minimize the impact and reduce the recovery time once the fighting ends.

Meanwhile, a Tourism Ministry survey of its representatives around the world found that cancellations had already begun in New York, albeit in limited numbers. El Al has, however, seen a complete halt in reservations for flights to Israel from Chicago, Atlanta and Canada (primarily among Jewish groups), as well as cancellations from South America and a number from England, France and Germany.

Tel Aviv jumps from 32nd to 18th place in cost-of-living survey.

Tel Aviv is the world's 18th most expensive city for foreign visitors, according to Mercer's annual cost-of-living survey for expatriate employees. Tel Aviv is up dramatically from last year, when it placed 32 in the rankings. Tel Aviv is has the highest cost of living for expats among Middle East cities, followed by Beirut (63 in the general rankings), Dubai (67), and Abu Dhabi (68). The Middle Eastern city with the lowest cost of living is Jeddah, in Saudi Arabia (175).

The rankings further show that Angolan capital Luanda is the city with the highest cost of living for foreigners among the 221 cities ranked. N'Djamena, capital of Chad, placed second.

According to survey researcher Ed Hannibal, the two African cites have high costs of living because of the high cost of importing goods to them. "Finding secure living accommodations that meet the standards of expatriates can be challenging and quite costly as well," he says.

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Hong Kong is in third place, Singapore is in fourth, and Zurich is fifth. Geneva is in sixth place, followed by Tokyo, which dropped to seventh place from last year, when it came in third.

ANSWERS TO JEWISH IQ TEST:

1-b 2-c 3-a

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در این پاراشا مشه به افراد قوم یهود می آموزد که شخص باید از قسم یا نذر بیهوده برهیز نماید. اگر شخصی نتواند نذر خود را ادا نماید و یا قسم خود را بشکند، گناهی بزرگ مرتکب گردیده است. شخص باید مطمئن باشید که از عهده بذر و یا قسمی که خورده بر می آید و انوقت اقدام به ادای نذر و یا سوگند خود نماید. فرق بین قسم و نذر بدین صورت است : [_ نذر وقتی است که شخص قول میدهد:

عملي محروم بنمايد. ترام به ذات الهي انجام دهد. همانند نذر براي هديه به كنيسا. خص خود را از انجام عملي مجاز برحذر دارد. مثل آنكه من "قسم ميخورم كه هيچگاه در محافل آ. ان نفران" <u>-</u>_قسم وقتي ٢_قسم وقتي

ي انذر وقتي مورد و اقع ميشود كه بوسيله پسري بالاي سن سيزده سال و دختري بالاي دو ازده سال انجام و اگر سن پائين تر از آن باشد، خردسال محسوب شده و قسم آنها باطل است. و اگر سن پائين تر از آن باشد، خردسال محسوب شده و قسم آنها باطل است. يا نذر قابليت اجر آئي خو اهند داشت چنانكه شخص در نظر داشته باشد خود را از يك عمل گناه و يا عادت د و يا خود را موظف به انجام ميتصو آئي نمايد. ماننند هديه به كنيسا و يا كمك به فقرا، ذات ايلهي به ضعف أَفُرِ أَدْ بِشُرِ ۗ وَٱقْفَ بُودُهُ وَ بِهُ هَمِينَ مُنظُورَ رَاهُهائيَ براي باطلُ كُرِين نَذْر وَ يَا قسم ذر جُلُوي ما قَرَالُ داده كه در صورت ضرورت از أن استفاده نمائيم. بنابر اين اگر شخصي قسمي بخورد و يا تعهدي نمايد در حاليكه :

آز آهمیت قسم و یا تعمد خود با خیر نباشد ولی بعدها به آن پی ببرد، این شخص میتواند نزد یك راو رفته و پس از ح موقعیت خود تقاضای رهایی از آن قسم یا ندر را نماید كه آنها درمراسمی كه به آن هنارت نداریم میگویند او را

پسر و آیا دختري که به سن بلوغ نرسیده باشند و قسمي ادا نمایند، بصورت خودبخود آن قسم باطل است. میتواند قسم دختر جوان از دواج نکرده خود را باطل نماید. ِ دَخَتر إِزدُواج نَمُودَ شُوهِرَ أَوْ وَ نَهُ ''پدرش'' مَيتُواند قسم أو را باطل نمايد. درصورتي كه در همان روز اين قسم را ده باشد. در این موقعیت سن زن مطرح نی^م

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