

PARSHA INSIGHTS

“A man or a woman ... to become a Nazir... (6:2)

Shimon HaTzadik related, “All my life I did not eat from the korban of a nazir until the following incident occurred. A nazir came from southern Eretz Yisroel, and I noticed that he was handsome, with beautiful locks of hair. I asked him, “My son, why did you choose to become a nazir which requires you to cut your hair after the completion of your nezirus? You have such nice hair - why do you want to cut it?”

The nazir responded, “I once went to a well to retrieve water for my sheep to drink. I noticed my reflection in the well. I was overcome with pride at how handsome I was and began to have improper thoughts. I chastised myself, “Fool, you had nothing to do with your looks - Hashem gave them to you. Why become haughty with something that is not really yours? I swore to become a nazir and cut off my hair for Hashem.”

Shimon HaTzadik said, “I immediately kissed him on his forehead and told him, “There should be more nezirim like you amongst Bnai Yisroel.” From his korban I partook.” (Nedorim 9b)

What did Shimon HaTzadik find so compelling in the actions of this nazir that he ate from his korban?

No man shall ascend with you. (Ki Sisa 34:3)

The first set of Luchos were given with great fanfare and noise - therefore they were subject to ayin horah and failed. This teaches that there is no better way to act than in a quiet manner, without display and commotion. (Rashi)

With Rashi’s directive on how one should act, Rav Yakov Neiman zt”l answered the first question as follows. Many times people accept upon themselves to perform good deeds in order to gain recognition and accolades. Since their actions are tainted by personal interests, they are subject to the possibility of events performed in the public eye being doomed by an ayin horah.

Shimon HaTzadik did not wish to partake in the korban of most nezirim because he was uncertain whether those nezirim had correct intentions. However, when he met a nazir who vowed to accept nezirus with no audience besides sheep, it was clear that he was doing it for the proper reasons. Shimon HaTzadik felt comfortable to eat from the korban of such a nazir.

TABLE TALK

PARSHA DILEMMA

May Hashem bless you and safeguard you. (6:24)

Safeguard you from the Evil Inclination. (Medrash Agada) Everything is in the Hand of Hashem, besides fear of Heaven. (Berochos 33a)

The only one responsible to ensure one fears Hashem and refrains from sin is a person himself, not Hashem. If so, why do the kohanim bless Bnai Yisroel that Hashem should protect them from the Evil Inclination?

WHO AM I?

1. I am a crown
2. I am a vow
3. I prevent intoxication
4. I am separated

Last week’s clues: I pre-dated the World, I am written in black yet I was a blue print, I am for all, I am named for Moshe. **Answer:** Torah

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WHO AM I?

1. I am to turn
2. Some spell me with a “Samech”
3. Some spell me with a “Sin”
4. I cause the above

Last week’s clues: I can cause a plague, Use money, For me some use a posuk, Don’t confuse me with royalty. **Answer:** Counting Bnai Yisroel

A GLIMPSE OF GREATNESS

The mountain of Hashem, the mountain near Bashan (Har Sinai)... (Tehillim 68:16)

Rav Nosson taught, “When Hashem wanted to give the Torah to Bnai Yisroel, the mountains came ... Har Tavor claimed, “I’m the tallest mountain – it’s befitting that the Torah be given on me.” Karmel came to Hashem, “I’m a better choice...” Hashem told them, “You have both proven to Me that you are not the proper mountains to use when I give the Torah. I can’t give the Torah by means of anything or anyone that is haughty... Therefore, I will choose Har Sinai for giving the Torah. (Medrash Tehillim 68:9)

Rav Shulsinger had a bochur in his Yeshiva who had undergone a difficult experience. He brought him to the Steipler for chizuk. Before the Steipler could be briefed on the situation, he asked the bochur to sit down next to him and told him the following.

“Sometimes people act and perform in order to receive approval and recognition from other people. When that approval and acknowledgment does not arrive, they feel unsuccessful and broken. However, the truth is as follows. One should study Torah for two reasons. 1) In order to fulfill the Will of His Creator. 2) To be knowledgeable in Torah and be able to converse in Torah in the World to Come. With these two points in mind for studying, one will attain great success and satisfaction from his learning and service of Hashem.”

TORAH RIDDLE

At what other point in the year to we read form Parshas Naso?

Last week’s riddle:

How is it possible to have more than a year between one Shavuot and the next one - even without a leap year? **Answer:** Before there was a set calendar, Shavuot could be on the 5th, 6th or 7th of Sivan (since SHavuot is on the 50th day of the Omer). So if one year Shavuot was on the 5th, the following year it could have been on the 7th, which is two days longer than a year from the preceding Shavuot.

Please send your "Who Am I" and "Torah Riddle" answers to OnegShabbos@BeachwoodKollel.com by next Wednesday. The answers will IY"Y appear in next week's issue

Pirchei 5:25

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