

**PARSHA INSIGHT**

***If a man will have a wayward and rebellious son... a glutton and a drunkard. (21:18 - 20)***

*The boy is only punished if he steals and eats an excessive amount of meat and wine... (Rashi)*

The rebellious son is called a ben “sorer u’moreh”, which means that he does not listen. Since the boy’s punishment is due to his gluttonous behavior, why isn’t he called the “gluttonous son?”

*Because at the time that a person hears and listens to the rebuke, he will begin to improve his ways... and from that moment of listening, he will begin to become a righteous man. (Rabbeinu Yona, Sha’arei Teshuva 2:10)*

In essence, the cause for the boy’s inappropriate behavior in the gastronomic field is his lack of adhering to his parent’s instructions. The first criteria necessary for a person in order to improve is to listen. If a person listens to what he is told, he can grow and improve.

He is not called the “gluttonous son” because that is only a bi-product of his problem - not heeding to his parents’ words. The cause of his problem - not listening - is represented in the name the Torah gave him

*If while blowing shofar on Rosh Hashono a person stuffs his ears and cannot hear the sound of the shofar, he has not fulfilled his obligation. (Rambam, Peir HaDor 51)*

What does blowing shofar have to do with not having the ability to hear?

Based on the Rabbeinu Yona, the Rambam can be explained as follows. The mitzva of blowing shofar is supposed to awaken a person to repent. If he does not hear, then there is no hope that he will repent.

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**PARSHA DILEMMA**

***The mother is roosting on the young birds or the eggs; you shall not take the mother with the young. (22:6)***

When the bird is sitting without the young under her, then it is permissible to take the mother for food. Yet, as soon as there are young birds or eggs, one is not allowed to take the mother.

Why do the babies create a prohibition on the mother?

**HALOCHO**

***You will see among the captives a woman... you may take her for a wife. (21:11)***

*Even if she is married. (Kidushin 21b)*

*Before the soldier takes her, he must convert her. (Rashi)*

*When a person converts, they become like a new person without relatives. (Yevomos 97b)*

Since this non-Jewish woman is converting, she is like a newborn and loses her status as the wife of her previous non-Jewish husband. Why do Chazal need a drosho to teach that the soldier may even take a married woman if she is not married after he takes her?

***Moshe heard the people weeping in their family groups. (Be’haaloscha 11:10)***

*After Matan Torah, they were not permitted to remain with the women they had married because they now took on the status of forbidden relatives. (Shabbos 130a)*

Why did they retain the status of relatives if everyone became converts at Har Sinai?

The Maharal (Vayigash) answers that the new status in regard to being a family relative is only for voluntary conversions. However, if a conversion is forced, then the status of a newborn without relatives is not attained. Therefore, since Bnai Yisroel were forced to convert at Har Sinai, when Hashem held the mountain over their heads, they retained their old status of relatives and were forbidden to remain married.

The same holds true for a captive woman. Since the soldier is forcing her to convert, she does not lose her status of being a relative to her non-Jewish family. Therefore, a drosho is necessary to allow the soldier to marry the captive woman even if she was previously married.

## A GLIMPSE OF GREATNESS

### *If a bird's nest happens to be before you on the road... (22:6)*

*If a person finds a nest on a person's head, is that subject to the rules of shiluach hakein? (Chulin 139)*

Rav Ezra Attia was giving a shiur on the above gemora, when one of the attendees asked, "Is such a thing possible? Why does the gemora ask questions about scenarios that will never occur?"

Rav Ezra tried to explain but the attendee would not accept his answers. Rav Ezra was concerned that this almost mocking question would negatively affect the rest of the group, so he quietly asked Hashem for assistance.

A few minutes later, another shiur participant who had been absent for a while entered. Rav Ezra inquired about his welfare and he responded with the following story. "I was in India attending to business matters when I observed the following strange scenario. A person was sitting in the same spot meditating for days on end. A bird came and built a nest on his head, and the person didn't even attempt to shoo it away. What do you say to that?"

Rav Ezra emphatically answered, "Moshe emes v'Toroso emes!" (Moshe and his Torah are true!)

## WHO AM I?

1. I describe the fabric making process
2. For Tzitzis I am ok
3. I am for clothes
4. I am for the priestly garments

**Last week's clues:** I must be two, I can't be related, I must be questioned, In Shema I am large.

**Answer:** Witnesses / Aidim

**Congratulations to:** Yerachmiel Diamond, Sorah and Naftoli Stoll,

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1. I am punished for planning
  2. Usually I get my plan
  3. Sometimes I get whipped
  4. I am for being in the wrong place at the right time

**Last week's clues:** A new house, A new vineyard, A new wife, Afraid.

**Answer:** The reasons why a soldier is excused from the wars.

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Answers will IY"Y appear in next week's issue

## MINCHA

As of Sunday Mincha  
in the Kollel will be at **2:45**

## KOLLEL BULLETIN

### MAZEL TOV

- ♦ Mr. And Mrs. Ashi Cusner on the birth of a baby girl

- ♦ Rabbi and Mrs. Yochanon Greenwald on the marriage of Yossi  
Please note change: The Aufruf will be in the  
Young Israel's weekday Bais Medrash. Shacharis at 9:00

- ♦ Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Soclof on the Bar Mitzva of Avi  
Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Soclof

## TORAH RIDDLE

### *When you will go out to war against your enemy... (21:10)*

*The final letters of these words in the Torah spells "Ohalecha" which means 'your tents.' (Chida)*

What is the Torah trying to teach?

#### **Last week's riddle:**

What is the connection between an unworthy judge and an Asheira tree?

**Answer:** One who appoints an unworthy judge is considered as if he worshipped an asheira tree.

**Congratulations to:** *Sorry no congratulations this week.*

## EVENTS

### **WOMEN'S LECTURE SERIES** **Rabbi Moshe Garfunkel** **Reflections on Rosh Hashono**

Zichron Chaim – Yavne

Shabbos 5:00 pm

## PIRCHEI

### **5:15**

Grades 3 – 4: Zichron Chaim – Yavne (Dock)

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### **4:00**

Grades 7 – 8: Rabbi Alexander Charlop

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#### **6:30 - 7:05**

Grades 5 and up: Zichron Chaim – Yavne

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