

# PARSHA CHALLENGE

תשפ"ג

פרשת ויצא

1. List three dreams that occurred in this week's פרשה.
  - a) List seven other dreams that occurred in the תורה.<sup>1</sup>
2. How many years passed between אליעזר's arrival to חרן and יעקב's arrival?  
(Submitted by M. Kagan)
3. Which three "dead" people in this week's פרשה were actually alive?
4. What did both לבן and עשו do to יעקב?
5. What נס happened to both יעקב and אליעזר?
  - a) How was the נס different by יעקב?
  - b) List two other instances in the תורה where such a נס occurs.<sup>2</sup>
6. In which instances are each of these numbers mentioned in this week's פרשה? 2, 3, 3, 6, 7, 7, 7, 20
7. I am associated with life,  
I am associated with emotions,  
I am associated with understanding,  
In this week's פרשה it says I was stolen by יעקב,  
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.  
Who am I?
8. I am a verb,  
I was done by נח after the מבול,  
I was done by יעקב on המריה,  
I was done by פרעה when יוסף was in מצרים.  
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.  
Who am I?

**Need a hint?**

<sup>1</sup> One in וירא, four in וישב and two in מקץ.

<sup>2</sup> One is in ספר במדבר and one is hinted to in פרשת דברים

## Answers

- 1) dreamed of מלאכים on the סולם. 2) יעקב's dream in which ה' told him to return home.  
3) לבן's dream in which ה' warns him not to harm יעקב.  
a. 1) אבימלך's dream to return שרה. 2-3) יוסף's two dreams (beginning וישב).  
4-5) The dreams of the האופים ושר המשקים (end וישב). 6-7) פרעה's dream(s)<sup>3</sup>
- 2) יעקב was 77 when he went to חרן (63+77 see רש"י at the end of last week's פרשה). He was born 20 years after רבקה married יצחק. This means it was 97 years later.
- 3) 1) יעקב was חשוב כמת when אליפז stole all his possessions were stolen. 2) פסוק יג on רש"י explains the reason it says יצחק was because יצחק was a סומא and therefore he was חשוב כמת.  
3) רחל said she was חשוב כמת because she didn't have children.
4. They both hugged (and kissed) him.
5. קפיצת הדרך.  
a. By אליעזר it was the standard קפיצת הדרך while by יעקב – הר המוריה uprooted itself and came to יעקב (עי' רש"י ד"ה כי אם בית אלקים).  
b. By מרגלים and when בני ישראל traveled from סיני הר ברנע to בני ישראל.
6. 2 – לבן had two daughters, each of the שפחות had a שני בן  
3 – Three flocks of sheep by the well, three days distance between לבן ויעקב, on the third day לבן was told that יעקב ran away.  
6 – Years יעקב worked for pay.  
7 – Years יעקב worked to marry לאה, years he worked to marry רחל, and "days of travel" that לבן went in order to catch up to יעקב.  
20 - Total years יעקב worked for לבן.
7. Who am I? A heart – (לא, כ)
8. Next week...

### Last Week's Riddle:

I am one of the nine,	- That survived the מבול <sup>4</sup>
I am known by two different names,	- מלכי צדק
I am sometimes grouped together with my great grandson,	- עבר
At the end of this week's פרשה, I was no longer alive,	
This can be inferred from the absence of my name in a רש"י - as well a calculation of years.	- שם learned by עבר and not by יעקב - שם died in 2158 and יעקב went to עבר in 2171
Although I am in this week's פרשה I am not mentioned by name.	- ויאמר ה'
Who am I?	- שם

לרפואה שלמה – אביגדור ששון מאיר בן רחל לאה,  
לעיני שאול בן אברהם ז"ל, ברכה בילה בת דוד יעקב ע"ה, יצחק דוד בן אלימלך הכהן ז"ל  
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<sup>3</sup> There are three additional times in ספר בראשית that a dream is implied but it is not explicitly stated: 1) In the middle of the בתרים בן אברהם it says a ברהם על אברהם after which ה' says זרעך גר יהיה זרעך. It is unclear if this was a dream or after he awoke. 2) In פרשת תולדות ה', appears to יצחק (3 בלילה - יצחק) פרשת ויגש לו (3 בלילה - יצחק) has a מראת הלילה when coming down to מצרים. Additionally, there are the two נבואות of בלעם which על פי פה would seem to be a dream but being that חז"ל say בלעם's נבועה was equal to משה's it must have been פה על פה.

<sup>4</sup> According to some ראשונים there was a 10<sup>th</sup> – סיחון.