

PARSHA CHALLENGE

תשפ"ג

פרשת עקב

1. When in this week's פרשה is there a פסוק with three verbs in a row? ¹
2. What type of insect is mentioned in this week's פרשה?
 - a. Name four other insects mentioned in the תורה.²
Bonus: Name an additional three.³
 - b. Which insect is mentioned in a רשיי in this week's פרשה?
3. In a span of two פסוקים in this week's פרשה four לשונות of anger are used. What are these four לשונות?
 - a. What are three other לשונות for anger that are found in תנ"ך? ⁴
4. Which individual in this week's פרשה is משה מתפלל for?
 - a. Name four other individuals in the תורה that משה was מתפלל for. ⁵
5. I am associated with ארץ ישראל,
I have a connection to a יום טוב,
I am a סימן of plenty.
My contents equal all the מצוות in the תורה,
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.
Who am I?
6. I caused much harm to the world,
I was used as a show of power,
I was a companion to a צדיק,
I was used as a punishment,
My likeness was used for a ישועה.
Who am I?

Need a hint?

¹ It is a famous פסוק need another hint? It is part of a ברכה

² Two in מצרים, one in שלח, one in פרשת שלח, one in ואתחנן.

³ פרשת שמני

⁴ One is in the beginning of ואתחנן, two we say פסח night, one we say in תחנון.

⁵ One a relative, one in פרשת שלח, two are מרומז in וזאת הברכה.

Answers

- ואכלת ושבעת וברכת
- צרעה – A hornet
 - כילנס, ארבה, חגבים (והיה בעינינו כחגבים שלח יג, לג), דבורים (דברים א, מד)
Bonus: (שם יא, לב), חומטים (שם יא, ל)
b. חומט (ח, ד) – a snail. says the Yidden's clothing grew on them like the shell of a snail.
- In both situations those suspected of טא were forced to drink water which would detect if they were חוטא.
 - אנף (אנף of אף is שורש, the לשון התאנף is a fifth) כעס, אף, חמה, קצף (ט, יח-יט)
a. ויתעבר (דברים ג, כו), זעם, רגז
- עגל – because of his involvement in the אהרן.
 - צרת – that she should be healed from מרים
לשון הרע מרגלים – that he shouldn't join the יהושע
"יחי ראובן" davens משה – וזאת הברכה – in – ראובן
his fathers bed. (עי רשי"י)
"שמע ה' לקול יהודה" davens משה – וזאת הברכה – יהודה
(עי רשי"י) וחטאתי לאבי כל הימים חרם for saying
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I have a connection to a טוב יום,
I am a סימן of plenty.
My contents equal all the מצוות in the תורה,
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.
Who am I?
 - שבעת המינים
 - ראש השנה
 - יהי רצון וכו' שירבו זכויותינו וכו' –
 - My seeds are 613
 - רימון
- Next week...

Last week's Riddle:

- I am part of a group of four,
The others in my group are all in פרשת בא,
Although I am separated from all the others,
It is to be like me that all aspire.
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.
Who am I?
- שאינו יודע לשאול and תם, רשע
- מה נשתנה in the חכם