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 Unless otherwise indicated, all questions are based on **גמרא**רש"י.

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This week's בחינה begins with the last line on: דף כד and ends at the end of the פרק.

1. **דוסא בן דוסא's neighbor came to check on the smoke coming from the oven. Because she was embarrassed, דוסא's wife ran to the אינדרונא, an inner room. A miracle happened and the oven was filled with bread and the kneading trough was filled with dough. The neighbor called out, פלניתא פלניתא אייתי מסא דקא חריך לחמין, Madam, madam, bring a baker's shovel because your bread is burning.**

According to the **גמרא's** first version, דוסא's wife merely responded **אןא להכי עיילי**, that is why I went to the אינדרונא. According to the second version, she actually went to the אינדרונא to bring out a **מסא**, a baker's shovel.

Why would she run to the room to get a **מסא**, when she knew there was no bread in the oven?

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2. On his wife's request, רבי חנינא prayed for רחמים to relieve them of their poverty. יצתה כמין כרעא דפתורא דדהבא פיסת יד ויהבו ליה חד כרעא דפתורא דדהבא, something like a hand came out and brought them a golden leg from a table. Eventually, רבי חנינא once again prayed for רחמים, and asked that the golden leg be taken back.
- A) Why did רבי חנינא pray for the golden leg to be taken back?
- B) Why was its return deemed as a greater miracle than when it was given?
3. Our גמרא tells us the miraculous story where רבי חנינא's עזים returned at night with a דובא בקרנייהו, wild wolf (or possibly a bear), on its horn. The גמרא was puzzled by רבי חנינא's possession of these עזים for two reasons. Firstly, he was very poor. What was the גמרא's second reason for being puzzled?
4. לוי decreed a fast but it did not rain. Subsequently, he said רבונו של עולם, You went up and sat on high and did not have mercy on Your children.
- A) What was לוי's punishment for speaking in this manner?
- B) What does the גמרא ask on this?
- C) What does the גמרא answer?
- צדיק כתמר יפרח כארז בלבנון ישגה: (תהילים צב יג)
5. This פסוק compares a righteous man to a תמר, date tree, and to an ארז בלבנון, cedar tree in Lebanon. Why couldn't the פסוק only make the comparison to a תמר?

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6. Why couldn't the פסוק only make the comparison to an ארז?
7. Both רבי אליעזר and רבי עקיבא prayed for rain. רבי אליעזר's prayers were not answered while רבי עקיבא's were. A בת קול stated that רבי עקיבא was not greater than רבי אליעזר. Why then, did only רבי עקיבא's prayers get answered?
8. Our משנה says that a group of fasts are decreed when there is a drought. If the drought continues, additional groups were added. How much saturation in the ground is needed so that additional fasting would not be necessary, according to ...
- A) רבי מאיר?
- B) the חכמים בחרבה, for dry soil?
- C) the חכמים בבינונית, medium soil?
- D) the חכמים בעבודה, plowed soil?
9. If during a fast it begins to rains, the ציבור must continue to fast if it only begins raining after what point of the day according to ...
- A) רבי מאיר?
- B) רבי יהודה?
- C) רבי יוסי?

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10. Our מעשה שגזרו תענית בלוד וירדו להם גשמים קודם חצות. אמר להם רבי טרפון, צאו **concludes**, משנה אביי **As per** ואכלו ושתו ועשו יום טוב. ויצאו ואכלו ושתו ועשו יום טוב ובאו בין הערבים וקראו הלל הגדול **ההלל הגדול** **why did they first eat and drink and only afterwards say** ורבא

11. When רב פפא **visited the synagogue of** אבי גובר **in** מחוזא **, he decreed a fast. Rain came before** חצות. **Why did they first say** הלל **and only afterwards did they eat and drink?**

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Let's plan to be קונה the מסכת focusing on a simple חזרה of just the וטריא inside:

Were you able to make a few minutes every day for an immediate חזרה of the portion just learned? _____

Were you able to make time on שבת or Sunday to do a חזרה of the דף? _____

Were you able to make time on שבת or Sunday to do a חזרה of the last 3 דפים? _____