

# PARSHA CHALLENGE

תשפ"ה

פרשת וישב

1. Which person does the תורה say that he died, but in a later פרשה mention him alive and active?
2. List 10 fathers mentioned in the תורה who had a child die (prematurely) in their life time.<sup>1</sup>
3. List five official titles mentioned in this week's פרשה.
  - a. List three individuals in this week's פרשה that the תורה never discloses the individuals name nor title.<sup>2</sup>
4. Who in this week's פרשה has his name backwards and forwards in the same פסוק?<sup>3</sup>
  - a. Which famous person in פרשת בראשית has his name backwards and forwards in the same פסוק?<sup>4</sup>
  - b. How are these two instances amazingly similar?
5. I am a name of a city,  
Change one נקודה and I have the same name as a רשע,  
The רשע is always associated with his brother.<sup>5</sup>  
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.  
Who am I?
6. I became a necessity after the חטא of אדם הראשון,  
On one occasion נח didn't use me as he should have,  
I was used numerous times for a deception,  
I was used for a false accusation,<sup>6</sup>  
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה .  
Who am I?

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#### Need a hint?

<sup>1</sup> Three in בראשית, one in נח, one in וירא, one in this weeks פרשה and one in ויקרא.

<sup>2</sup> One is man, one is a daughter and one is a wife.

<sup>3</sup> His name has two letters

<sup>4</sup> His name also is only two letters

<sup>5</sup> The רשע is always mentioned with his accomplice

<sup>6</sup> In this week's פרשה.

## Answers

1. יצחק. The פסוק says (לו, לה) and ויבך אתו אביו רש"י explains this is referring to יצחק.
2. (1) תובל קין accidentally killed his son למך (2) . קין והבל אדם (1) was taken away at a young age which was long before his father ירד died. (4) הרן lost תרח. (5) לוט had two daughters that were killed in סדום. (6) ער ואונן lost יהודה. (7) son חור was killed. (8) נדב ואביהו lost אהרן. (9) פינחס was killed by כזבי's daughter. (10) מכות בכורות פרעה's oldest son died during.  
(Most likely רחל died before לבן although it doesn't say so מפורש. According to בני עוזיאל that says לבן was בלעם, then she and לאה would have died before לבן. Additionally, the מדרש says that אברהם had a daughter בכל and she died in אברהם's lifetime.)
3. שר בית הסהר and שר האופים, שר המשקים, שר הטבחים, פרעה.  
a. וימצאהו איש (לו, טו), בת שוע, אשת פוטיפר.
4. ויהי ער בכור יהודה רע בעיני ה'.  
a. ונח מצא חן בעיני ה'.  
b. Both describe the individual's character בעיני ה'.
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The רשע is always associated with his brother.  
I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.  
Who am I?
6. Next week...

### Last Week's Riddle:

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| I share my name with one of the seven,                     | - נביאות                                   |
| I share my name with something used for a cruel execution, | - In סדום to kill לוט's daughter           |
| I traveled with עבד אברהם,                                 | - בית יצחק brought me with her to רבקה     |
| I was given a special mission,                             | - רש"י (ח, לה) sent her to bring יעקב home |
| I am mentioned in this week's פרשה.                        |  |
| Who am I?  | - דבורה מינקת רבקה                         |

לרפואה שלמה אביגדור ששון מאיר בן רחל לאה, יונתן בן איטא  
לעי"נ שאול בן אברהם ז"ל, ברכה בילה בת דוד יעקב ע"ה, יצחק דוד בן אלימלך הכהן ז"ל  
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