

PARSHA CHALLENGE

תשפ"ה

פרשת תרומה

1. List at least one connection the numbers 1-13 have with the משכן.
Who knows 1? I know 1! 1 is 'ה.
Who knows 2? 3? 4? 5? 6? 7? 8?¹ 9?² 10? 11? 12? 13?³
2. What is mentioned numerous times in every פרשה but in this week's פרשה it is only mentioned once?
3. List six things in the משכן that were square.⁴
4. Out of the six המקדש כלי, which two similarities were unique to the ארון, the מזבח הזהב and the שולחן?
5. The name of which person from the מגילה (although with different נקודות) is found in this week's פרשה?
6. We have a connection to a river.
We were the result of laziness.
We each have an equal amount.⁵
We are mentioned in this week's פרשה.
Who are we? Submitted by M. Kagan
7. He and I were used for the same purpose,
According to some we were used as one unit,
According to others we were used as two,
His source has a connection to one of our greatest זכותים,
My source is shrouded in mystery,
We are both mentioned in this week's פרשה,
Who are we?⁶

Need a hint?

¹ It has a connection with the קרשים

² It has a connection with the מנורה

³ Found in the first ten פסוקים

⁴ Some are כלים, some are locations, some are curtains

⁵ We are a pair

⁶ We are from the 13 (or 15)

Answers

1. 1) 1 is ה'
2) 2 are the מזבח הזהב, שולחן, length of the לוחות, כרובים, בדים, ידות
3) 3 are the boxes of the ארון, the amount of coverings of the משכן - according to one שיטה, the three entrance curtains, the three areas in the מקדש, and the height of the החיצון
4) 4 are the טבעות, the width of the יריעות, the amount of coverings of the משכן - according to one שיטה, the עמודי מסך החצר, עמודי הפרכת, מזבחות on the קרנות
5) 5 are the בריחים on each side of the משכן, the length and width of the מזבח החיצון, the מסך האהל, and the number of parts to three of the halves of the יריעות
6) 6 are the branches of the מנורה, the primary כלים of the מקדש, and the number of parts to one of the halves of the יריעות
7) 7 are the נרות of the מנורה
8) 8 are the קרשים on the מערב, and the number of all the בדים in the מקדש
9) 9 are the פרחים on the מנורה
10) 10 are the amount of the parts to the יריעות האהל, the height of the קרשים, the height of the ארון, and the width of the משכן and the length of the מכסה on top of the משכן
11) 11 are the amount of the parts to the יריעות המשכן, and the כפתורים on the מנורה
12) 12 are the לחם הפנים and the width of the exterior of the משכן
13) (25:2) רש"י says there were 13 items needed for the donation of the משכן and according to the opinion that the בריח התיכן went around the entire משכן (and in תרגום יונתן בן עוזיאל) שבת :צח) there were 13 בריחים in total. (Number 13 was submitted by Y. Tawil)
2. A שם ה'
3. 1-2) Two מזבחות 3) The קודש הקדשים 4) The מסך המשכן 5) The פרוכת 6) The חושן (when folded).
Bonus Answers: 7) The עזרה (the area in front of the משכן was 50x50) 8-9) Each of the לוחות (ע"ב דף יד.)
4. 1) They had a זר 2) They were made with gold and wood 3) They had gold rings
5. ושתי טבעת וגוי (כה, יב) - ושתי
6. We have a connection to a river. - encircle us (גן עדן) (one of the rivers that come out of) פישון - (בראשית ב, יב)
We were the result of laziness. - the נשיאים waited to donate and were left with donating us (בד, שמואל) - (שמות לה, כד)
We each have an equal amount. - בני יעקב of names of the
We are mentioned in this week's פרשה. - פרשה
Who are we? - אבני שהם
7. Next week...

Last Week's Riddle:

I am the place of יהודה's attack, - יהודה אתה יודוך אחידך ידך בערף איבך (מט, ח) -
By those of the sky, by those used for travel, and by the case - פטר חמור by birds and by a מליקה -
of an unfortunate traveler - I am the place of a מצוה, - עגלה ערופה -
I am used in a description of ישראל, כלל - עם קשה ערף -
In this week's פרשה I am mentioned on the enemies of ישראל, כלל - ונתתי את פליאיבך ערף (כג, כז) -
Who am I? - ערף -

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