

PARSHA CHALLENGE

תשע"ח

פרשת בשלח

1. List at least five instances which involved דתן ואבירם.
2. In how many separate instances in ספר שמות is מרים's name mentioned?
When?
3. Name three Yidden that were alive at the time of יציאת מצרים, but were not by יציאת מצרים?
4. Besides for their personal belongings, list at least two things, mentioned in this week's פרשה, that the Yidden brought with them into א"י.
5. When in this weeks פרשה is משה called an עבד ה'?
 - a. Name two other places in the תורה is משה referred to in such a manner.
 - b. Name two other people that the תורה refers to as עבדי ה'.¹
6. I am a נשיא,
I am the father of kings,
My sister was married to a כהן,
I am famous for an act in this weeks פרשה,
Who am I?
7. I tried to do it, but I was convinced not to,
My father tried, but at the last moment he had רחמנות,
My great uncle tried to do it but he was warned not to,
In this weeks פרשה, my descendants tried, but they failed.
Who am I?

¹ One in ספר במדבר and one in פרשת תלדות

1. 1) They were fighting with each other and משה told them to stop.
 2) They told פרעה that משה killed a מצרי.
 3) They complained to משה when פרעה stopped supplying straw.
 4) They left מן over night.
 5) They went out to collect שבת on מן.
 6) They were part of קרח's rebellion.
 7) עי תרגום יונתן בן עוזיאל (יד, ג), for an additional instance.
2. Amazingly: only once, by her שירה!
 - As a midwife it only refers to מרים as פועה.
 - When she watched משה in the נילוס it just says אחותו.
 - When it lists the children of עמרם's family in וארא, it doesn't mention מרים.
3. According to עוזיאל בן יונתן an additional two yidden. (ציפורה, גרשום ואליעזר.)
4. מן and the עצמות יוסף.
5. ויאמינו בה' ובמשה עבדו
 - a. 1) מדוע לא יראתם לדבר בעבדי משה (במדבר יב, ח)
 2) וימת שם משה עבד ה' (דברים לד, ה)
 - b. 1) והרבתי את זרעך בעבור אברהם עבדי (תולדות כו, כד) - אברהם
 2) ועבדי כלב עקב היתה רוח אחרת בו (שלא יד, כד) - כלב
6. I am a נשיא, - of שבט יהודה
I am the father of kings, - (רות ד, כ)
My sister was married to a כהן, - (כג, ו)
I am famous for an act in this weeks פרשה, - He jumped into the ים סוף first
Who am I? נחשון
7. I tried to do it, but I was convinced not to, יעקב אליפו tried to kill
My father tried, but at the last moment he had רחמנות, - יעקב tried to kill and family
My great uncle tried to do it but he was warned not to, לבן tried to kill יעקב and family
In this weeks פרשה, my descendants tried, but they failed. - עמלק
Who am I? אליפו

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