

PARSHA CHALLENGE

תשע"ט

פרשת פנחס

1. What do נח, יתרו, בלק, and פנחס have in common?
2. Who are two מלכה's found in the תורה?
3. What in this week's פרשה has a connection to שבעה עשר בתמוז?¹
4. How did the destruction of סדום indirectly cause פנחס to get the כהונה?
5. What do the קרבנות of ראש השנה, יום כפור, and שמיני עצרת have in common?
6. Which of the בני יעקב had the most descendants in this week's פרשה?
7. Whose future position was announced in this week's פרשה?
 - a. List two places where his position was previously hinted in the תורה.²
8. Sometimes we are 2,
Sometimes we are 7,
Sometimes we are 14,
Who are we?
9. He and I are similar in name,
My name is his name without an "אי" added in front,
I was married three times,
He is the youngest of four famous brothers.
Although I am not mentioned in this week's פרשה, he is.
Who am I?

Need a Hint?

¹ One of the five tragedies is connected to the פרשה

² Once in בשלח and once in בהעלתך

Answers

1. They are all names of פרשיות
2. One was a daughter of צלפחד and one was the wife of נחור.
3. The תמיד - from עשר בתמוז and on, the תמיד was no longer brought.
4. 1) If סדום hadn't been destroyed, then מואב wouldn't have been born.
2) If מואב wouldn't have been born then בלעם wouldn't have hired.
3) If בלעם wouldn't have been hired then he would never have advised the מדינים to be מזנה with the Yidden.
4) If they wouldn't have been מזנה then פנחס would not have killed זמרי.
5. Their מוסף only has one פר and one איל.
6. יוסף – יוסף combined was 85,200 people while יהודה is only 76,500. (Note: This is a new development. By the counting in פרשת במדבר – פרשת יהודה had more descendants than אפרים ומנשה combined.)
7. יהושע
 - a. בשלח יז, יד - שים באזני יהושע (עי רש"י)
בהעלתך יא, כח - ויאמר אדני משה כלאם (עי רש"י)
8. **Sometimes we are 2,** - By the מוסף of שבת
Sometimes we are 7, - By the מוסף of the מועדים
Sometimes we are 14, - By the מוסף of סכות
Who are we? - כבשים
9. Next week.....

Last week's Riddle:

- To a שבט I am likened, - In וזאת הברכה חן
As one of the אבות I am counted, - As one of the four נזיקין אבות
I was used as an עבודה זרה,
I am used in a משל for destruction in this week's פרשה. - For the עגל (an עגל is a baby שור) and by ירעבם.
Who am I? - כחלך וכו' את ירק השדה (כב, ד) - A שור

לרפוי"ש רפאל יהודה בן אידל
שרה יוכבד בת חנה מאשה
לעי"נ ברכה בילה בת דוד יעקב ע"ה
יצחק דוד בן אלימלך הכהן ז"ל

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