

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday December 11, 2023 Yeshiva Ketana Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday - Monday December 23-26, 2023

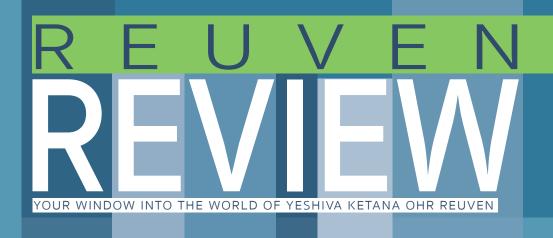
Chanuka Vacation No Sessions

Tuesday - Thursday December 27-29, 2022

No Suffern Central Transportation

Friday December 30, 2022

Dismissal K-8: 12:30 No Transportation



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פרשת ויצא

December 2, 2022

Rebbeim In-Service this past Thursday



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Rabbi Kohn's 6th grade involved in a Challah experiment/party this past Friday. In the Gemara they're learning about loaves of bread, discussing how each person bakes their bread in their own unique way... Boys brought in home baked challah to show how each one is different and then they all enjoyed the delicious erev shabbos treat.

# Mesivta News

Rabbi Vann's Bekias Shiur enjoying a BBQ for their Bekias Chazara Program!



Rabbi Storch introduces the Gemara codes program to the 8th grade

## IMPORTANT NOTES

Reminder: Please make sure to label your son/s clothing to help keep the lost and found empty, Thank you!

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The Rosh Hayeshiva shlit"a, Rabbi Rudinsky discussing a sugya with the 8th graders





4th graders enjoying a hands-on havdalah making project sponsored by Ari Lipszyc's parents

### MAZEL TOV!

Zevi and Aliza Brodie on the birth of a baby boy!

The Sgan Rosh HaYeshiva and Rebbetzin on their new grandson! Arye & Tuvia Brodie on their new cousin!

R' Ari and Rachel Walkin on the birth of a baby boy!

Zevi Shuster (YK Alumnus) on his engagement to Nechama Bloom!

YKOR Alomnus, Moshe Chaim Proctor to Rivka Aidel Foutorian upon their wedding!

Menachem Perkowski upon his brother's wedding!



Kindergarten learning פרשת ויצא with Morah Jenny

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Eliyahu Halberthal, 6th Yisroel <u>Moshe Kohl, 4th</u> Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

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#### ויצא

To Receive is to Give

וַיִּפְגַּע בַּמָּקוֹם וַיָּלֶן שָׁם כִּי־בָא הַשֶּׁמָשׁ וַיִּקָּחֹ מֵאַבְנֵי הַמָּלוֹם וַיָּשָׁם מְרָאֲשׁתָיו וַיִּשְׁכַּב בַּמָקוֹם הַהוּא: He came upon a certain place and stopped there for the night, for the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of that place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place.

וישם מראשותיו הַתְחִילוּ מְרִיבוֹת זוֹ אֶת זוֹ, זאת אוֹמֶרֶת עַלַי יָנִים צַדִּיק אֶת ראשוֹ וְזאת אוֹמֶרֶת עָלֵי יָנִים; מִיָּד עֲשָׂאָן הַקְבָּ"ה אֶבֶן אַחַת, וְזֶהוּ שֶׁנֶּאֲמַר וַיִּקֵח אֶת הָאֶבֶן אֲשֶׁר שָׂם מְרַאֲשׁתִיו:

They (the stones) began quarrelling with one another. One said, "Upon me let this righteous man rest his head", and another said "Upon me let him rest it". Whereupon the Holy One, blessed be He, straightway made them into one stone! This explains what is written, "And he took the stone that he had put under his head."

Most people would rather give than get affection.

Aristotle

To the young *gemara* student, the intricate logic and legalistic dialogue of the *gemara* seem farremoved from his life and his world. Years, and the perspective they bring, however, often bear out the wisdom for life encased in those conversations.

One such *gemara* is found is *maseches* Kiddushin. There, the *gemara* lays out the framework for *halachically* effective marriage through *kiddushin*. Among those rules is the fact that an item of value must transfer from the man to the woman in order to effect *kiddushin*, and not the reverse. There is, however, one exception. A man of significance or importance can effect *kiddushin* by accepting a gift from a woman, the theory being that I benefit more from an important person finding me and my gift worthy than he gains from the gift. An important man who accepts a gift from a woman is really giving more than receiving.

To your children, you are somebody very important. For them, your desire to accept their gifts and their assistance is more important than it is for you to receive them. In fact, it may even be more important than the gifts and assistance you give to them.

There is a parallel to this idea in the *parsha* in the form of Yaakov and the stones he lays out to sleep. The stones, Rashi tells us, begin to quarrel, each wanting to be the one on whom the great *tzaddik* will rest his head. Certainly, Yaakov is in need of a rock to use as a pillow, but any of the rocks would do. The rocks didn't just want to see to it that Yaakov had a place to rest his head, each wanted to be the one to provide it for him.

Rocks, of course, don't have feelings, and they don't fight over who gets first rights to a privilege. But, rocks do provide lessons for those of us with feelings and needs, and these rocks, by the Torah's telling, teach us a great lesson about the importance of fulfilling your children's need to be needed.

The response to the quarreling rocks could have been simple. As long as Yaakov has where to rest his head, all is good. But, such a response would be very narrow thinking, ignoring the fact that each of the rocks, like each of your children, has the need to be the one whom you need. Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

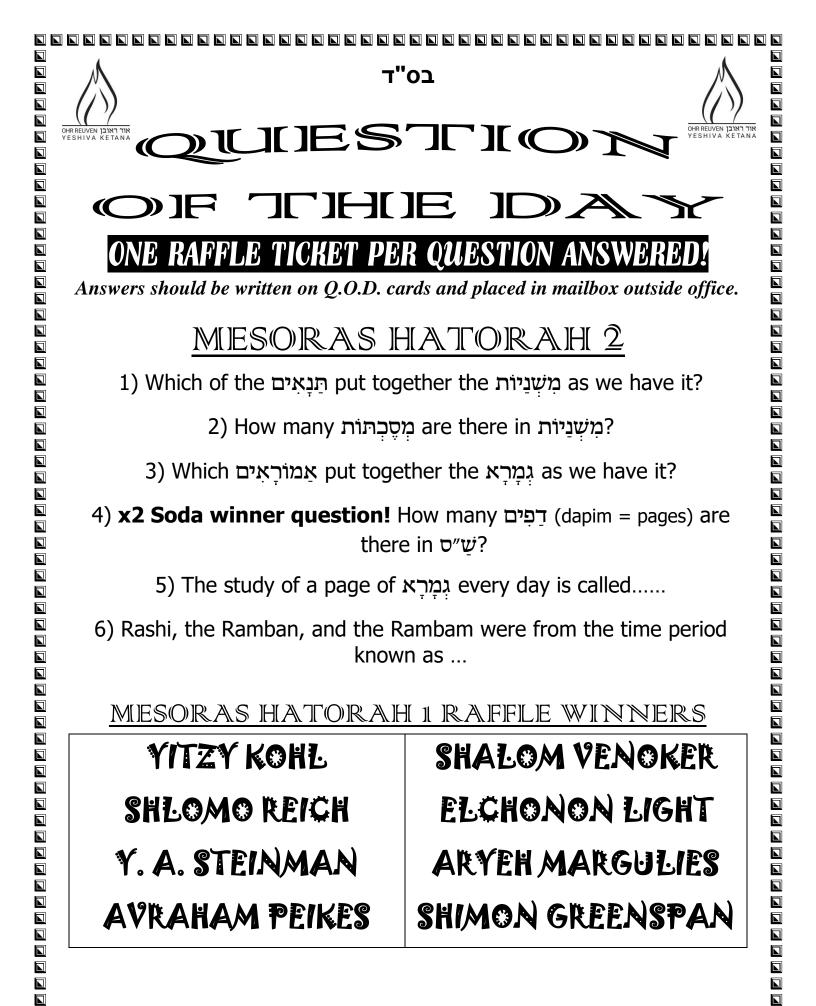
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Recognizing the need to be needed is a vital first step to good parenting. Understanding the jealousy that can arise between siblings over that need to be needed is the important next step. If you want to spark a battle between your children, give one of them something without giving it to the other. If you want an all-out war, accept something from one without taking from the other.

We commonly make the mistake of stopping once our needs are met without considering our children's needs to meet our needs. A wise parent understands and finds opportunities for each child to be able to contribute to you.

When all the rocks want Yaakov to rest his head on them, Hashem brings them together as one, all contributing equally to meet Yaakov's needs. When your children compete to take care of you, make sure all of them get the chance to feel as though they are contributing as well.







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