

Parsha thoughts from Cleareyes613

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Shoftim - Perek 18 Pasuk 9 - "When you come to the land that Hashem, your G-d, gives you, you shall not learn to act according to the abominations of those nations."

Says Rashi - the pasuk does not say "you shall not act" but "you shall not learn to act..." Meaning, understand their acts and how destructive they are and instruct your children, to stay away from such and such for this is a ritual of the nations. Rashi is clearly learning, that when we and our children are in clear and present danger from 'abominations, we must be active and educate. We can't turn a blind eye, but must learn of the dangers and warn regarding them! This Rashi is clear proof of the need to warn our generation of the dangers of the internet and not like those who say better not to talk about it.

The next pasuk continues: "There shall not be found among you one who causes his son or daughter to pass through fire.." Can there be anything more dangerous than placing our children in a room alone with an unfiltered internet!! Surely they will get burned!!!

(continuing the pasuk) "me'onain..." What is a me'onain? Rashi brings down the Sages who say 'these are illusionists'. Rabosai, is there a greater illusion in our days that the abomination we call p*rn!!!! What one moment we so desire and feel we can't live without, (and which can ultimately lead us to destroy ourselves, our jobs and even our familys) and after the act is finished, poof! like a cloud of smoke the desire is gone. Hey, you have just been tricked by the greatest illusionist of our time p*rn!

Ok, so we need to educate ourselves on the dangers of this great abomination and warn others. But the illusion is so great, how can we not be drawn towards it? The answer is given to us in Pasuk 13: "You shall be wholehearted with Hashem, your G-d." Rashi explains: 'Walk with Him with wholeheartness. Look ahead to Him and do not delve into the future. But rather whatever comes upon you accept with wholeheartness, and then you will be with Him and of his portion.' Explanation - 'walk with Him', this can not be done alone. You need to give yourself and the battle over to Him. 'Wholeheartness' the Torah does not say 'be holy', but Tamim, "be complete" telling us the need to create a strong foundation to build on. 'Look ahead to Him' don't try running away from the abomination, but rather run towards Hashem. 'And do not delve into the future' don't tell yourself "its not possible for me to give this up forever" for the future is in the hands of Hashem - 'but rather whatever comes upon' we need to live in the present. 'Accept with wholeheartness' and take one day (or even an hour) at a time. 'And then you will be with Him and of His portion'.

Good Shabbos and may we be zoche to be with Him and of His portion (ie: part of the Holy GYE army)

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Re: Parsha thoughts from Cleareyes613
Posted by Noorah BAmram - 06 Nov 2009 13:48

Thanks Mori VRabi,

This was fantastic (I read it the chizuk email) straight from your heart to mine! Very well written!

Chaazak Chazak!!

Noorah

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Re: Parsha thoughts from Cleareyes613
Posted by cleareyes613@gmail.com - 20 Nov 2009 09:27

Parsha Toldos

Perek 26, Posuk 5

"Ekev asher shama Avraham b'koli, vayishmor mishmarti, mitzvosai, chukosai, v'torosai"

"Because Abraham obeyed My voice, and observed My safeguards, My commandments, My

edicts, and My Torahs."

Rashi explains:

My Voice: when I tested him.

My Safeguards: decrees for keeping a distance from negative commandments.

My Commandments: matters which are logical such as stealing and bloodshed.

My Edicts: matters which we don't understand such as kashrus and sha'atnez.

My TorahS: both the written and oral Torahs.

In this pasuk Hashem tells Yitzchok why his descendants will inherit eretz yisroel and increase like the stars. Because of Abraham.

Why?

The first reason listed is because he listened to My voice. Hashem does not say because he followed the Torah. It does not say because he learned all day. It does not say because he did tons of chesed. BUT because he listened to my voice.

What is this voice??

Hashems TESTS. Avraham passed every test that Hashem presented to him. It is for this

reason we were chosen to be given eretz yisroel and continue forever as a nation.

Learning Torah is great and so is doing Mitzvos. But that usually not the reason we were placed on this earth.

Misilas Yisharim - "yesod hachasidus v'shoresh haavoda temima, who shyisbera etzel kol adam mah chovaso b'olamo..."

The yesod of why we are here is to pass our tests, to each his own. Passing our tests is what bring s us closer to Hashem.

How do we know what our tests are? Usually the thing a person stuggles with and is inclined towards is his Test. That means for a good portion of us here, our test in this life is overcoming our lust issues. And passing this test is the #1 reason why we are here today. May we all pass this test.

And Observe My SafeGUARDs: (keep GYEs up and running. Donations please!)

What is the second item mention by Hashem on why we are the chosen nation? Because Avraham safeguarded the commandments. Not because Avraham kept the torah! That's listed last. But because Avraham put up fences and kept them! (Got filter?!).

I was blown away by this. Clearly we need fences. Avraham used them. And thank you Reb Guard for giving us GYE!!! This new fence is what we and so many others desperately need.

Our #1 goal in life is to pass our Test in LIFE. To do that we need to put up fences and GUARD them !!!!

Good Shabbos to all!

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