



Inside The Daf



Have you ever had to rehearse for a play or music recital? Or for a wedding? How long did you spend rehearsing?

We rehearse for public

performances so we know exactly what to do and so nothing goes wrong.

The בִּית הַמִּקְדָשׁ service in the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָשׁ (Holy Temple) was no different. The בֹּהֵן גָּדוֹל (High Priest) had to rehearse for this important ceremony for seven days. Two Torah scholars would teach the יוֹם כִּפּוּר the laws of the יוֹם כִּפּוּר service for all seven days in order to train him.

Also, on each of these seven days, the פֿהֵן גָּדוֹל was sprinkled with ashes from the פָּרָה אֲדוֹמָה (Red Heifer) that were stored in the בֵּית הַמְּקְדֵשׁ section of the בֵּית הַמְּקְדֵשׁ.

This is similar to the מְלוּאִים (Dedication) ceremony for the (Tabernacle). פַּהֵן גָּדוֹל trained his brother, פַּהֵן גָּדוֹל, the כָּהֵן גָּדוֹל, the מָשֶׁה, the מִשְׁה, the during the first seven days of this ceremony so he'd be familiar with the service. אַהַרן would then serve for one day

like the פֿהֵן נְדוֹל who would serve for one day – יוֹם כִּפּוּר itself.

A מדות Moment

"Hi, Shlomo. What are you eating there?"

"A Rocket candy bar, Dovi."

"A Rocket candy bar? Say, you know who loves those? Chaim Epstein. He told me he eats at least five of them a week!"

"I know you didn't mean to do anything wrong, Dovi, but you shouldn't have told me that."

"Why not, Shlomo? What's wrong with telling you Chaim Epstein likes Rocket candy bars?"

"Dovi, when Chaim told you that did he give you permission to tell other people?"

"Uh..no, Shlomo. He didn't."

"Well, Dovi, that's the problem. Our גְּמֶרָא today teaches that if you hear something from your friend, you cannot repeat it to anyone."

"Even if it's not a secret, Sholmo?"

"Even if it's not a secret. We learn this from when Hashem spoke to אָהֶל מוֹעָה in the מוֹעָה (Tent of Meeting). The Torah says, "Hashem spoke to בְּשִׁה saying." The word the Torah uses for "saying" is אָמֹר, which could also be read, "אָמֹר," "do not say." The Torah is teaching us not to say anything we were told by someone else – unless we have permission."

"Wow, Shlomo. I had no idea! I guess the only way to learn these things is to learn lots of אֲמָרָא. And I give you permission to repeat that to whoever you like!"

(יומא ד., ורשייי)

Did You Know.

On הַר סִינֵי everyone heard the voice of Hashem; In the מִשְׁבָּן, only heard Hashem's voice.



The Covering Cloud

The Torah says when מֹשֶׁה received the Torah...



וַיִּשְׁכּּן כְּבוֹד ה׳ עַל הַר סִינִי וַיְכַּשְּהוּ הֶעָנָן (שמות כד,טו)

And the glory of Hashem settled upon Mt. Sinai, and the Cloud covered him ... (Exodus 24, 15)

What, exactly, did this Cloud do?

According to מֹשֶׁה ,רַבִּי נְתָּן was covered by a cloud which cleansed his stomach of food and drink making him like a Ministering angel.

According to רָבִּי מַתְּיָא בֶּן חְרָשׁ, Hashem enveloped מֹשֶׁה with the Cloud in order to instill fear into him. Hashem wanted the Torah to be given with fear, trembling and quaking, as it is says, עְבְדוּ אֶת ה׳ בְּיִרְאָה וְגִילוּ בִּרְעָדָה "serve HaShem with awe, and rejoice with trepidation."

(תהלים ב, יא)

Games

Cross out all letters that appear in the answers to the questions, below. The remaining letters will answer the question:

The פֿהָן גַדוֹל who would standby to replace the פֿהָן גַדוֹל was his

- 1) How many Torah scholars taught the כַּהֶן גַדוֹל?
- 2) פֿהֵן גָדוֹל separated himself for this many days.
- 3) Number of days מֹשֵׁה separated on הַר סִינֵי.
- 4) Number of days of the מְלוֹאִים.
- 5) Number of days מֹשֵׁה was on הַר סִינֵי.

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רַבִּי מַתְיָא בֶּן חָרָשׁ

Who: A Tanna

When: c. 3881 (c. 121 CE)

Where: Rome

Teacher: רַבִּי אֱלִיעֶזֶר הַגְדוֹל

Contemporaries: ר' אָלְעָזָר בּן עֲזַרְיָה, רַבִּי שׁמְעוֹן בּר יוֹחָאִי

Famous Quote: "Be a tail for lions and not a head for

foxes" (אבות ד, טו)

Name:

The Land of Israel was so dear to רָבִּי מַתְיָא בֶּן חָרְשׁ that when he left, he tore his clothing in grief.

When רַבִּי מַתְיָא בֶּן חְרָשׁ learned Torah his face glowed like the sun and shone like angels.

Throughout his life, שָּלְחָרֶשׁ בָּן חָרָשׁ never looked improperly at women. He once blinded himself with a nail so he would not fall into temptation. Hashem saw this extraordinary act and sent the angel אפאר to cure him.



Review Questions – 'יוֹמָא דַּף ד

- 1. Who would teach the יוֹם כָּפוּר the laws of the כַּהֵן נָדוֹל service?
- 2. According to רֵי מַתְּנָא בֶּן חָרָשׁ why did the Cloud cover מֹשֶׁה?
- 3. Where did everyone hear the voice of היי?

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הר"ר דוב בער בן הר"ר שניאור זלמן שניאורסון זצ"ל

"דער מיטעלער רבי"

ביום פטירתו שנת תקפ"ח תנצב"ה