

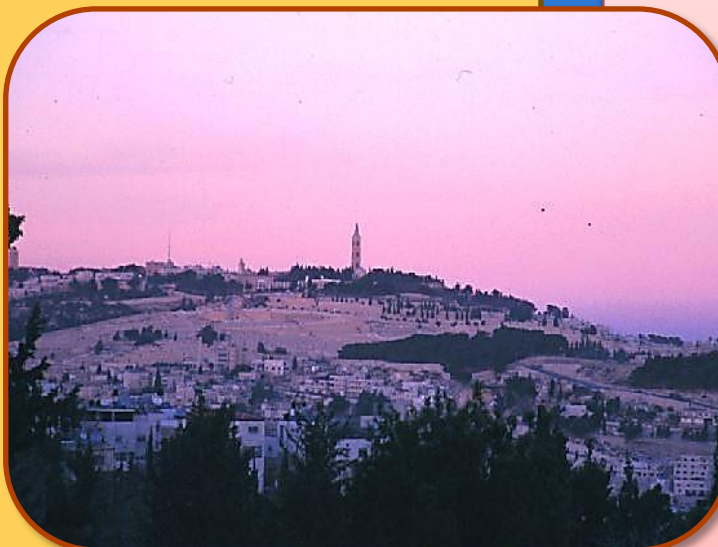
## Inside The Daf

In the **בית המקדש** (Holy Temple), daybreak was very important. The **קרבנות** (offerings) could only be offered from daybreak. Daybreak is when the first light appears over the the eastern horizon.

The **משנה** describes how **כֹּהֲנִים** would check to see if it was daybreak. An announcer would climb up the wall or go on to the roof, and when he saw daybreak would call out, "**בִּרְקָאִי!**", which means "**light!**"

**מֵתִיָּא בֶן שְׁמוּאֵל** says it is not enough to see a little light. Rather the announcer must say "the entire eastern sky has lit up" even until the eastern city of **חֲבֵרוֹן**.

The **משנה** asks why this procedure was done. Couldn't everyone see when daybreak was? The answer is that once the light of the moon was so bright they thought it was daybreak. As a result, the **קָרְבָּן תָּמִיד** (daily offering) was slaughtered at night making it **פָּסוּל** (invalid).



## מדות Moment

"A-CHOO!" sneezed Matty Samberg for the millionth time that day.

"Matty," his father called, "have you reviewed your Torah learning from school yesterday?"

"Aw, Dad," sniffed Matty, "I'm feeling sick, can't I skip it today?"

"Well, Matty," Mr. Samberg continued, "if you're feeling too sick to do anything, then take a rest until you feel better. But do you remember what we learned in *daf yomi* today?"

"About our forefathers? That all through history there were always **יְשִׁיבוֹת**, places of

Torah study."

"And even in Egypt," Mr. Samberg added, "when Torah study was near impossible because of the Egyptian slave drivers, Jews still made a point to study Torah."

Matty thought about this for a moment and decided, "You know, Dad, maybe I do have enough energy...for at least a little review."

WORD OF THE DAY:

**אֲנִי**

"WE"

# Always Learning



It is important to know that as long as there were Jewish people there were always schools for Torah study.

ישיבות said: from the days of our forefathers there were always ישיבות (Torah study centers), even in Egypt and in the desert! Our forefathers אברהם, יצחק and יעקב were each elder Torah scholars who studied in ישיבות.

Even אברהם's servant, אליעזר was an elder Torah scholar who studied in a ישיבה. ישיבה says that אליעזר was such a good student of אברהם that that he was a "master" over all that אברהם taught him.

In fact, אליעזר was called דמשק אליעזר, "The Damascene." אליעזר says that this name is an acronym for, "דולה ומשקה מתורתו של רבו" meaning "he drew from his teacher's teachings and gave it to others to drink."



## Did You Know...

אברהם (some say אשי) says אברהם fulfilled the entire Written and Oral Torah...even Rabbinical commandments!

## Games

### "Alef" It!

Each of these words from today's daf has the letter "א" in it.

Can you find all of them?

I am called a  
Damascene

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My name sounds like the  
name of אברהם's servant

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I was the first of  
the forefathers

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Light!

	א			
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I say the daylight has to  
reach until חקרן (first name)

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## Review Questions – יומא דף כ"ח

1. What would the announcer say at daybreak?
2. Which of our forefathers studied in ישיבות?
3. Which parts of the Torah did אברהם keep?