

PARSHAS CHAYEI SARA

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PARSHAH OVERVIEW



The Matriarch, Sarah Imeinu, passes away. Avraham Avinu purchases the Cave of Machpeila as a burial plot. Eliezer finds a wife for Yitzchak (Rivka). Avraham remarries. Avraham passes away at the age of 175. The Torah delineates the descendants of Yishmael.



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PARSHAH STATS

Pesukim - 105

Words - 1,402

Letters - 5,314

Mitzvos - 0



GEMATRIA



The Gemarah says אִם אֲנִי כָאן הֲכֵל כָּאן. On some level, it could be teaching us: If I am here, then EVERYTHING is here. In other words, we must give each situation our ALL. This was אברהם's middah. It so happens, אִם אֲנִי כָאן הֲכֵל כָּאן (עם הכולל) is the same gematria as אברהם בכל (300).

THOUGHTS IN CHASSIDUS

The Slonimer Rebbe, Nesivos Shalom, explains that Avraham Avinu connected to the Torah even though the Torah wasn't given yet. And he understood the Torah wants a person to "despise gifts," as such, he offered to pay in full so as to avoid a matanah!



DID YOU KNOW



Queen Esther ruled over 127 countries, which, the Midrash tells us, corresponds directly to the 127 years of her great great great (etc...) grandmother, Sarah Imeinu.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

"Judaism...is a faith that values intellectual honesty and moral truthfulness above all things."

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks zt"l

QUICK VORT

Rav Moshe Shternbuch zt"l says an absolutely fascinating pshat to explain why Sarah Imeinu was in pain when she heard of the "death" of her son.

He explains that greater than dying על קידוש השם which occurs in only a moment, is TO LIVE על קידוש השם which spans many moments.

When Sarah Imeinu heard that her son died, she was in pain over the fact that Yitzchak will no longer be able to LIVE על קידוש השם.

The most important thing that we can do is to dedicate each and every day of our lives to the Master of the Universe.

It is incumbent upon us to LIVE על קידוש השם and become the best עבדי ה' that we can possibly become.

Let us LIVE על קידוש השם.

Have a holy Shabbos!