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Parsha With Dr. ChatGPT

Consider the following "Halachic" thought, generated by ChatGPT: Did the AI get it right? Do you find it to be accurate, or did technology miss the boat?

In Parshas וַאֲרָא, we read of the first seven of the ten plagues brought upon Egypt, including the plague of דם (blood), where the waters of Egypt were turned to blood (שמות ז' י"ז-כ"א). When describing how Moshe initiated the plague, the Torah states that Aharon, rather than Moshe, stretched forth his staff to strike the Nile. Rashi (שמות ז' י"ט) explains that Moshe was commanded to

delegate this task to Aharon because the Nile had protected Moshe as an infant when his basket was placed in its waters. This highlights the concept of הַכֶּרֶת הַטוֹב (gratitude), teaching us that Moshe refrained from striking the Nile to express gratitude for the benefit it had provided him. From this narrative, we derive an important halachic principle regarding הַכֶּרֶת הַטוֹב. The Talmud (Bava Kama 92b) states, "One

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Parshah Riddle

Chapter and Verse:

Hashkama is not new,
It's been around for a while,
This פסוק shows even Moshe,
Following the Hashkama style

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Shabbus Zmanim

4:45	הדלקה
5:03	שקיעה
5:47:38	עלות השחר (16.1)
6:00:53	עלות השחר (72)
7:12:53	נץ החמה
7:15	שחרית
Hot Kiddush & Short Shiur After Davening	
9:04/9:40	ס"ז קריאת שמע
10:06/10:30	ס"ז תפילה
12:08:51	חצות היום
12:38:51	מנחה גדולה (30)
3:01:29	מנחה קטנה (GR'A)
4:03:09	פלג המנחה (GR'A)
5:04	שקיעה
5:54	צה"כ (50)
6:04	צה"כ (60)
6:16	צה"כ (72)

Next Weeks Zmanim

4:54	הדלקה
5:12	שקיעה
7:15	שחרית

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who drinks from a well should not cast stones into it," underscoring the obligation to show respect and refrain from harm toward a source of benefit. The Rambam (Hilchot De'ot 6:10) expands on this idea, emphasizing the ethical imperative of cultivating gratitude not only toward people but even toward inanimate objects, as exemplified by Moshe's conduct. This halacha of הכרת הטוב applies broadly in Jewish law and practice. For instance, the Shulchan Aruch (Orach Chaim 4:18) mentions that one should show respect to objects used for mitzvot, such as tzitzit or tefillin, further reflecting this principle. From Moshe's actions in וַאֲרָא, we learn that gratitude is a cornerstone of Torah values, shaping our behavior toward others and even the world around us.

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Riddle: Who are we?

Count us up, Yes, 6 are we, To be mentioned, Without identity.

Answer: Amram, Yocheved, Miriam, Basya, Dasom, and Avram

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