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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 Bamidbar, the Torah begins with the command to count Bnei Yisrael, “Se’u et rosh kol adat b’nei Yisrael” (Bamidbar 1:2). Rashi explains that Hashem counted us out of love, as a shepherd counts his flock. But why begin Sefer Bamidbar, the “Book of Numbers,” with counting? The *Sfas Emes* (Bamidbar, 5641) teaches that this counting was not just to tally numbers, but to highlight the unique worth of every Jew. Each person, no matter their position in the camp, mattered. Just as a shepherd knows each

sheep by name, so too, Hashem loves and cherishes each of us individually. This idea is crucial today: we live in a society that often measures value by status or wealth, but the Torah reminds us that every Jew is inherently precious, a unique soul counted in Hashem’s eyes. This idea connects beautifully to the role of the Leviim in the same parsha. The Leviim were chosen to replace the firstborn for the service in the Mishkan (Bamidbar 3:12). But the *Ohr HaChaim HaKadosh* explains that

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Parshah Riddle Sim-

Which relative of Moshe shares the name of an ancient city in the Eretz Yisrael?

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8:03	הדלקה
8:21	שקיעה
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5:26:22	נץ החמה
7:15	שחרית
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8:34/9:10	ס"ז קריית שמע
10:01/10:25	ס"ז תפילה
12:53:52	חצotta היום
1:31:27	מנחה גדולה (30)
5:15/6:48	מנחה קטנה/פלג (A'GR)
8:22	שקיעה
9:12	צה"כ (50)
9:14	עיריב (52)
9:22	צה"כ (60)
9:34	צה"כ (72)
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this wasn't because the firstborn failed, but because the Leviim represented a readiness to serve without seeking honor.

They carried the Mishkan on their shoulders, each assigned a specific task, from Gershon's curtains to Kehos' holy vessels. The connection is clear: just as every Jew is counted and valued, every role in service to Hashem matters. From the most public to the most hidden tasks, each

contributes to the greater whole. In our community, we each have our role — whether it's davening, learning, or supporting others. Like the Leviim, we carry the weight of the Mishkan, our shared commitment to Torah and mitzvos.

Just as a shepherd knows each sheep by name, so too, Hashem loves and cherishes each of us individually.

May we merit to recognize our own worth and the worth of others, and to carry our communal Mishkan with joy and unity.

Thought from Claude AI

On The Last Weekly Devar Torah

This beautiful vort captures the essence of our avodah—that we must master both the art of letting go and the discipline of holding on. The Shemittah farmer and the ben Torah toiling in learning seem opposite, yet both demonstrate the same core middah: absolute trust in the Ribono Shel Olam. When we release our grip on hishtadlus during Shemittah, we proclaim Hashem as our true Provider. When we immerse

ourselves in Torah study as demanded in Bechukosai, we likewise declare that our spiritual sustenance comes from Above. Perhaps this is why the Torah places these parshiyos together—to teach us that true emunah requires both surrender and engagement, both yirah and ahavah.

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Answer To Last Week's Riddle

Riddle: In this parsha, which number appears four times within the words of rebuke?

Answer: The number seven appears four times when the Torah warns that punishments will be increased sevenfold above sins (*Vayikra 26:18, 21, 24, 28*).



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