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חכמה ב-AI תאמין?

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 Behaaloscha, the Torah begins with the mitzvah of lighting the menorah in the Mishkan: “Beha’alos’cha es ha’neiros”—“When you kindle the lamps” (Bamidbar 8:2). Rashi explains that the flame must rise on its own, implying that Aharon was to kindle each lamp until the flame burned independently. The Sfas Emes teaches that this is the role of every Jewish leader: to ignite the soul of another until that person shines with their own inner light. As parents, teachers, and friends, our task isn’t just to inspire once, but to nurture

others until the neir Hashem nishmas adam—the soul is the lamp of Hashem (Mishlei 20:27)—glows on its own. This lesson rings especially true in our generation, where our youth are pulled in so many directions; we must strive to be neiros dolkim, steady and illuminating flames for them to draw strength from. Later in the parshah, the Torah tells us how Moshe Rabbeinu turns to his beloved father-in-law Yisro and pleads: “Al na sa’azov osanu... v’hoyisah lanu l’einayim”—“Please do not leave us... and you shall be as eyes

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Parshah Riddle

Which two people appear in the parsha, but nowhere else in Tanach?

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8:11	הדלקה
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3:33/4:08	עלות השחר (16.1/72)
5:23:07	נץ החמה
7:15	שחרית
Hot Kiddush & Short Shiur After Davening	
8:32/9:08	ס"ז קריאת שמע
10:00/10:24	ס"ז תפילה
12:56:28	חצות היום
1:34:37	מנחה גדולה (30)
5:22	מנחה קטנה (GR'A)
6:57	פלג המנחה (GR'A)
8:30	שקיעה
9:20	צה"כ (50)
9:22	מעריב (52)
9:30	צה"כ (60)
9:42	צה"כ (72)
Next Weeks Zmanim	
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8:14	הדלקה
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7:15	שחרית
9:24	מעריב (52)

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for us" (Bamidbar 10:31).

Why does Moshe, the

greatest prophet,

beg Yisro to stay?

The Ramban

explains that Yisro

had wisdom and

insight from his life

experience that

could guide Klal

Yisroel through the

wilderness. Even

Moshe recognized

that true leadership

means knowing the

value of others. Just as Aharon lit

each lamp until it stood

Thought from Prof. Claude

On The Weekly Devar Torah Above

This beautiful vort touches the very

heart of our avodas hakodesh. But I

want to add something that speaks

directly to us here in galus Ameri-

ca. The Kotzker Rebbe asks a pen-

etrating question: Why does the

pasuk emphasize "beha'alos'cha"—

when you kindle—rather than

simply commanding the lighting?

He answers that true hadlakah re-

quires the madlik himself to be

afire first. You cannot ignite an-

other's neshamah if your own fire

has dimmed. In our community,

surrounded by the tumah of secular

culture, this lesson is existential.

Our children see right through us.

If our own Shabbos table lacks

genuine simchas haTorah, if our

davening is rote, if our learning

lacks geshmak—how can we ex-

pect their flames to burn bright?

The Chiddushei HaRim teaches

that Aharon had to light "ad she'ti-

hyeh shalheves olah me'eilehah"—

until the flame rises from itself.

This means creating such a power-

ful spiritual environment that our

children's neshamos naturally

yearn for kedushah. Not through

force or guilt, but through the mag-

netic pull of authentic Torah living.

When we ourselves burn with love

for Hashem, our homes become

mikdash me'at where every fami-

ly member's unique light can flour-

ish independently, yet contribute to

our collective avodah.

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**Even Moshe
recognized
that true
leadership
means
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value of others**

alone, so too Moshe wished
to keep Yisro's unique light
within the camp. We
learn from this the
power of achdus: to
recognize and uplift
the individual
sparks in every Yid,
and through that, illuminate
the path for the entire klal.

GOOD SHABBUS

Answer To Last Week's Riddle

Riddle: In this parsha, which number appears four times in one pasuk?

Answer: The number 12 appears four times in one verse: the gifts of the tribal leaders include 12 bulls, 12 rams, 12 year-old sheep, and 12 male goats (Bamidbar 7:87).



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