

שיעור ג - יום א' ד מרחשון תשס"ו

1. Review the verbs from the list. Oral quiz.
2. Past and present worksheet (including super vav)
3. Unfinished business from last week.
 - 3.1. רש"י ד"ה מעל לרקיע
 - 3.1.1. First Rashi Q: Why does it say מעל instead of על?
 - 3.1.2. Rashi A: The water is not resting directly on the רקיע but rather the water is miraculously suspended above the רקיע
 - 3.1.3. Second Rashi Q: Why doesn't it say כי טוב? מהר"ל: This is only a question now. If the מים rested on the רקיע there would be nothing new, only a fixing. Now that we are saying that the higher waters miraculously (במאמר ה') rested "above" the רקיע, that is a miracle worthy of the words כי טוב?
 - 3.1.4. Rashi A: It is still incomplete. כי טוב is reserved for completion.
4. כי טוב - two complete creations - two times יום שלישי
5. פסוק ט
6. יקוו is similar to מקוה (יתכנסון = אוגקלום)
7. Explain passive (ee-uh, or ay-uh, or eh-uh vowels) two examples in this פסוק
8. רש"י ד"ה יקוו המים
 - 8.1. Rashi Q: (I think) Why does it say "one place" if water is all over?
 - 8.2. Rashi A: (I think) It is referring to the אוקינוס which is the gathering place of all waters.
9. מועט יחזיק מרובה a little holds a lot. A lot of water that originally filled the entire world was now confined into a small space. (Balloon example?)
10. פסוק י
11. Why is land called ארץ? Four answers:
 - 11.1. It runs to do Hashem's רצון (Will)
 - 11.2. It is where Hashem's רצון is most fulfilled
 - 11.3. The גלגלים (cycles) run around it
(I assume it is referring to the constellations though I may be wrong)
 - 11.4. People are always running (רצים) around on it
12. רש"י ד"ה קרא ימים
 - 12.1. Rashi Q: Why does it say ימים?
וכל הנחלים הולכים אל הים: קהלת or based on ארץ or compare to
 - 12.2. Rashi A: Fish taste different from different parts of the sea. Uniqueness of location.
13. פסוק י"א
14. רש"י ד"ה תדשא
 - 14.1. Rashi Q: Why does it say both דשא and עשב?
 - 14.2. Rashi A: דשא means a covering of growth, a very general term. עשב means each individual growth. The תורה had to say both because each means something else.