

אור ליום ד' י שבט תשס"ו

1. Worksheet #21
2. פסוק י"ז
3. א"ג: ה' rebuke starts with the fact that אדם listened to חוה. Until חטא things grew easily and אדם had the opportunity to indulge in his desire for חוה. Now the earth would be cursed so food won't be plentiful and easily attainable. Plus, אדם now had to work hard. This would keep him too busy to overindulge in his desire for חוה which led to חטא.
4. רש"י ד"ה ארורה האדמה בעבורך
 - 4.1. Rashi Q: Why should the earth be punished on account of אדם?
 - 4.2. Rashi A: One is drawn after their upbringing as a child is drawn after the one who nursed him. The ground disobeyed and so did אדם.
5. מלבים: The word בעבורך means for your benefit. Why doesn't the פסוק use the word בגללך, which is more typical in these situations? It is for אדם to be very busy cultivating the land to avoid more תאוה opportunities.
6. פרקי דר"א: By אדם it says that because he listened to his wife the land is cursed. By יוסף, since he didn't listen to the wife of פוטיפר it says: מבורכת ה' ארצו.
7. פסוק י"ח
8. רש"י ד"ה וקוץ ודרדר תצמיח לך
 - 8.1. Rashi Q: Who is תצמיח going on?
 - 8.2. Rashi A: The "earth" will sprout for you thorns and thistles.
 - 8.2.1. חזקוני: אדם is going on תצמיח. Due to predators, you will need to grow fences out of thorns to protect your field to enable you to eat.
 - 8.2.2. קנדיס and עכביח are two types of thorns. The 1st being inside the plant and the 2nd being outside. These are Rashi's translation for קוץ ודרדר
9. א"ג: Just like אדם, when one sins he opens himself up to discomforts to direct him.
10. רש"י ד"ה ואכלת את עשב השדה
 - 10.1. Rashi Q: Why is this a curse, it sounds like the blessing from earlier?
 - 10.2. Rashi A: It means that even after קוץ ודרדר you will be forced to eat whatever grows through a lot of difficulty in planting and preparing.
11. פסוק י"ט
12. The difficulties are not only in the cultivation and planting but even after getting a crop, preparing the food takes enormous effort.
13. The פסוק seems to say two reasons for returning to the earth?
 - 13.1. The second is an explanation of the first.
 - 13.2. The first is a reason for burial; the second is a reason for decomposition.