

יום א' כ"ח שבט תשס"ו

1. Worksheet #23
2. פרק ד פסוקים א - ב
3. ידע = had known
 - 3.1. לשון נקיה it's a
 - 3.2. Since תאוה came about from eating from the עץ הדעת, therefore the word ידע is used
 - 3.3. זרע comes from the מוח (brain). (Perhaps it's referring to a brain reaction that leads to the release of זרע)
 - 3.4. העמר דבר – The לשון implies that unlike an animal which will have תשמיש with any נקבה, a person should only have תשמיש with their spouse, the one they “know” most.
4. רש"י ד"ה והאדם ידע
 - 4.1. Rashi Q: Most of the תורה is written in past-imperfect (aka: Super Vav) as if it is just happening. Why does it say ידע instead of וידע?
 - 4.2. Rashi A: It already happened from before.
 - 4.2.1. העבר המוקדם vs. העבר המסודר
 - 4.2.1.1. According to the זהר and quoted by the גר"א, קין had to have been born after the expulsion from עדן or else he would have lived forever.
 - 4.2.1.2. אבן עזרא – this happened after the expulsion. The connection is that now אדם realized that he wasn't going to live forever so he had to make sure the world was populated.
5. ותהר has the letters "תורה" to hint to us that a child in the womb learns all of תורה.
6. קין: Usually, the verb קונה refers to a transaction but it can also mean “to bring about” as in קונה שמים וארץ.
 - 6.1. קניתי and not קנינו because she did all of the hard work.
 - 6.2. אשה מזרעת תחילה יולדת זכר, ר' אפרים she said קניתי because of the rule,
7. Regarding names of ה'. There were three periods:
 - 7.1. Seven days of creation: מידת הדין only, pure אלוקים
 - 7.2. אלה תולדות until now: combination, incident with נחש
 - 7.3. Now onward: mostly הוי"ה שם, now that we have an internal הרע יצר we need רחמנות.
8. הבל literally means “for nothing”. חוה obviously prophetically named him. משה was a גלגל of הבל. משה would bring down a תורה that starts with ב and ends with ל. Therefore he was called הבל, meaning: the ב-ל person.
9. הבל raised sheep. People weren't allowed to eat meat in those days. He aside them for their milk and their wool.
10. פסוק ג
11. רש"י ד"ה מפרי האדמה
 - 11.1. Rashi Q: Why does it say מפרי without a חשובע adjective?
 - 11.2. Rashi A: To show that he brought inferior quality for his קרבן.