

מסכת יומא דף לז

DAF YOMI4 Kids

ראש בית אב

Head of the Family Group

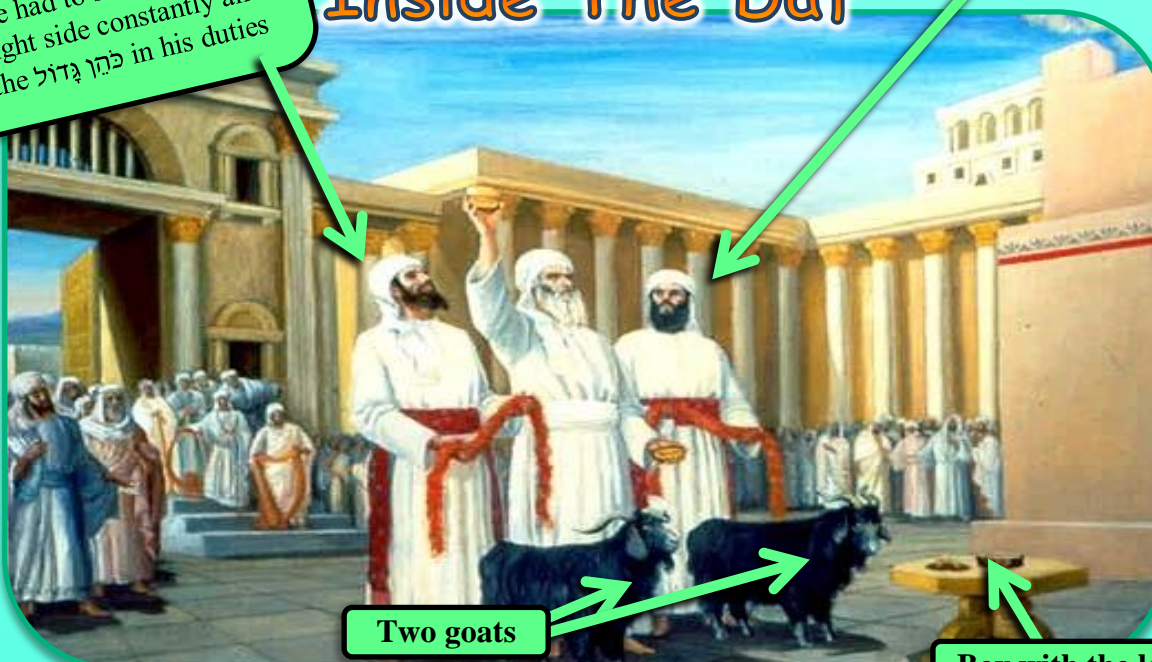
Every day of the week, a different group of כְּהָנִים would serve in the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ. Each group, called בְּתֵי אֲבוֹת, (family groups), chose a leader - the ראש בית אב, Head of the Family Group.

סגן

כהן גדול Deputy

Second highest rank in the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ. He had to stand on the כַּהֵן הגדול's right side constantly and assist the כַּהֵן הגדול in his duties

Inside The Daf



Two goats

Box with the lots

The מְשֻׁנָּה discusses what the כַּהֵן הגדול would do after he performed the סְמִיכָה (leaning) on his bull.

The כַּהֵן הגדול went to the east side of the עֲזָרָה (Temple Courtyard) and stood at the north of the מִזְבֵּחַ (Altar). The סָגָן (Deputy כַּהֵן הגדול) would stand at the right of the כַּהֵן הגדול. The ראש בית אב (Head of the Family Group) would stand at the כַּהֵן הגדול's left.

There were two male goats there and a box with two lots. On one of these lots was written "לְשֵׁם", "for Hashem." Whichever goat received this lot would be sacrificed. On the other lot was written, "לְעֶזְאֵזֶל", "to Azazel." The goat that would receive this lot would be thrown from a hilltop (more about that later).

The box containing the lots was originally made of wood, but יְהוֹשֻׁעַ בֶּן גִּמְלָא made it out of gold and the חֲכָמִים (Sages) praised this.

WORD OF THE DAY:

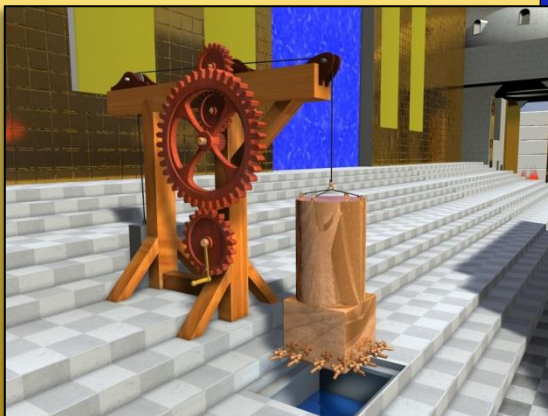
יָכוֹל

"I MIGHT THINK"

Praiseworthy Improvements

The מְשָׁנָה discusses some changes that were made to the different items in the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ (Holy Temple). All of these changes improved the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ so the Sages praised them.

בִּן קַטִּין made twelve spouts for the כִּיּוֹר (laver), instead of two. This meant that twelve כְּהֻנִּים could wash at the same time and not have to stand



waiting in line. He also made a machine for the כִּיּוֹר that would lower it each night into a spring-fed well. This meant the water in the כִּיּוֹר wouldn't have to stay inside overnight and become unusable (water that stayed overnight in the כִּיּוֹר was not allowed to be used).

King מְנוּבֶּז made all the handles of the utensils used for יוֹם כְּפֹר out of gold. His mother, הִילְגִּי, had a golden chandelier made over the door of the הֵיכָל (Sanctuary). She also had an important Torah passage written on a golden tablet!

A מְדוּת Moment

Reuvein Hochberg was looking forward to graduating from school. All he had to do was get through the classes until the end of the year. In Mr. Murphy's class, they were thinking about ways they could "reduce, reuse and recycle."

"I could take less notes in class," joked Noah. "It's a great way to save paper!"

The class laughed.

"I could give my old basketball to the school for recess," said Reuvein. "Oh... but I'm not going to be here next year to use it with you..."

"But, Reuvein," said Noah, "don't you remember what we learned in daf yomi? Queen הִילְגִּי gave a golden chandelier to the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ. It would sparkle when the time for reading שְׁמַע arrived. The גְּמָרָא says that the people in the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ wouldn't use it but other people in Jerusalem would! We can learn from this that when we give something, we should think about how other people will benefit from it too, not just our own community."

"That's a good point," said Reuvein. "I hope you will all enjoy the basketball next year!"



Did You Know...

When the three angels visited אַבְרָהָם (Abraham), גְּבְרִיאֵל (Michael) walked in the middle, מִיכָאֵל (Gabriel) on his right and רַפָּאֵל (Raphael) on his left. We can learn from here that the greatest always walks in the middle, the one who is second in importance walks to his right, and the third in importance walks to his the left.

In this picture, the כֹּהֵן גָּדוֹל is about to cast lots. Read "Inside the Daf." How many mistakes can you find in the picture?



Games

Review Questions – יוֹמָא דָּף ל"ז

1. Where would the רֹאשׁ בֵּית אֶב and סֵגָן stand?

2. What lesson do we learn from how the angels stood when visiting אַבְרָהָם?

3. Name an improvement that was made to the בֵּית הַמִּקְדָּשׁ over time.
