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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Eikev: (דברים כג:ג)

## וּבְשֵׁמוֹ תִשָּׁבַע

In today's *Sefer Hamitzvos*, we learn that if we need to make a promise, we are ONLY allowed to promise in Hashem's name. We are not allowed to make a promise by the name of a *malach* or something else Hashem MADE.

Sometimes people need to make a very serious promise in *Beis Din*. A person wouldn't be allowed to promise in the name of the sun, or by the name of a *malach*. They need to promise using Hashem's name.

## Rambam: Hilchos Shevuos

### PEREK YUD

We learn more details about *Shvuas Ha'Eidus*, when someone is asked to be a witness and he makes a *Shevuah* that he doesn't know. If he really did, he will only get punished if because he didn't say his *Eidus*, the person lost money.

### PEREK YUD-ALEF

We learn the *halachos* of how a *Shevuah* is made, the details of today's *mitzvah*. For a *Shevuah* that the Torah tells us to make, a person has to hold a *Sefer Torah*!

### PEREK YUD-BEIS

This is the last *perek* of *Hilchos Shevuos*! The Rambam says how serious it is for a person to say a *Shevuah* that isn't true, and even saying ANYTHING that isn't true. Parents and teachers need to teach kids to tell the truth all the time without making a *Shevuah*.

The Rambam also talks about the *aveira* of saying Hashem's name without a reason. If someone does say Hashem's name by mistake, he should say something special about Hashem. (We say *Boruch Shem Kevod, bentsching* Hashem's great name, so it wasn't for no reason.)