

מצוות
עשה
#54

 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Re'eh: (דברים טז:ד)

וְשִׂמְחַת בְּחֶגְגְךָ

There are three *mitzvos* connected with the *Shalosh Regalim*. Two of them we learned yesterday (the *Olas Re'iyah* and the *Korban Chagigah*), and today we learn the third *mitzvah*: We need to be happy with Hashem on the *Yomim Tovim*! In the times of the *Beis Hamikdash*, this *mitzvah* was kept by bringing *Shalmei Simcha*, a *korban* which we are able to eat from. Eating meat makes a person happy!

Nowadays, there are other ways we do this *mitzvah* of being happy on *Yom Tov*. Each person needs to get the things that make them happy! Some of the things the Rambam tells us about are for men to drink wine, for women to get new clothes, and for kids to get treats.

The *Simchas Beis Hashoeiva* that was done in the *Beis Hamikdash* was also part of this *mitzvah* of *simcha*.


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לא תעשה
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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Mishpatim: (שמות כג:טו)

וְלֹא יֵרְאוּ פְנֵי רִיקָם

We can't come to the *Beis Hamikdash* without presents (*korbanos*) for Hashem!

(This is the *Mitzvas Lo Saasei* for the *mitzvos* of the *Shalosh Regalim*, which are the *korbanos* we bring when we go to the *Beis Hamikdash* on these *Yomim Tovim*.)

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: **Mesechta Chagigah**

מִצְוֹת
לֹא תַעֲשֶׂה
#229

 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Re'eh: (דברים יב:ט)

הַשְׁמַר לְךָ פֶּן תִּשְׁכַּח
אֶת הַלְוִי כָּל יְמֵיךָ

We are not allowed to forget about the *Leviim* — we need to give them their presents, and make sure that they have what they need to be happy on *Yom Tov*!


מִצְוֹת
עֲשֵׂה
#16

 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Vayeilech: (דברים לא:יב)

הַקְהֵל אֶת הָעָם
הָאֲנָשִׁים וְהַנְּשִׂים וְהַטָּף וְגו'

This is the *mitzvah* of *Hakhel*! On the second day of *Sukkos* in the year after *Shemittah*, all of the *Yidden* need to come together and be inspired by seeing and hearing the king read from *Chumash Devarim*!

Even though *Hakhel* has a specific time, which usually means that women don't need to keep it, this *mitzvah* is an exception, and it is for EVERYONE — men, women, and children!

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: Mesechta Sotah perek Zayin

The Torah Reading of Hakhel

Why does the *melech* read from *Chumash Devarim* in *Hakhel*? Because it will help the *Yidden* have *Yiras Shomayim*, and do what Hashem wants, so that they will be able to stay in Eretz Yisroel! This way, even the *Yidden* who didn't hear this “*farbrenge*” from Moshe Rabbeinu will hear it during

Hakhel, and know what to do.

Even though we don't have a *Beis Hamikdash* now, the Rebbe encouraged us to look for ways to use a year of *Hakhel* to inspire ourselves, our families, and our communities to have more *Yiras Shomayim* — just like the king did in the times of the *Beis Hamikdash*!

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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Bo: (שמות י"ב)

קִדַּשׁ לִי כֹל בְּכוֹר פֶּטֶר כֹּל
רַחֵם בְּבִנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל
בְּאָדָם וּבַבְּהֵמָה

All firstborn kosher animals are special for Hashem, and they don't belong to us. They are brought as a *korban*, and their meat is eaten by the *kohanim*.

This *mitzvah* should also be kept outside of Eretz Yisroel. We wait until the firstborn animal gets a *mum*, and we are allowed to eat it then.



The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: **Mesechta Bechoros**

Rambam: Hilchos Chagigah, Hilchos Bechoros

PEREK BEIS

We learn the rest of the *halachos* of the *korbanos* everyone needed to bring when they went up to Yerushalayim for *Yom Tov*!

PEREK GIMMEL

We learn about the *mitzvah* of *Hakhel*! The Rambam tells us exactly what happened in the *Beis Hamikdash* in a *Hakhel* year, and how the king would inspire all of the Yidden to strengthen their *Yiddishkeit*!

PEREK ALEF

In this *perek*, we start learning about how a first-born animal has a special *kedusha*.