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Parashat Bereshit / פְּרִשַׁת בְּרֵאשִׁית

Parashat Bereshit is the 1st weekly Tora portion in the annual Jewish cycle of Tora reading.

Tora Portion: Genesis 1:1-6:8

Bereishit (“In the Beginning”), the first parashah in the annual Tora reading cycle, begins with God’s creation of the world. Adam and Chava eat from the Tree of Knowledge and are set out of the Garden. Their elder son, Cain, kills their younger son, Abel, and Cain is destined to a life of wandering. The Parasha concludes with the birth of Noah and the end of the Old World.

1. Why does the Tora start with the account of Creation?
2. What happened to the light that was created on the first day?
3. Why isn't the word "good" associated with the second day?
4. How were the trees supposed to taste?
5. On which day were the sun and moon created?
6. Hashem blessed the birds to be fruitful and to multiply. Why did He not do so with the beasts?
7. In whose likeness was man fashioned?
8. What kind of food was Adam commanded to eat? Are we still under that command today?
9. Why is "the sixth day" written with the definite article?
10. At the end of the sixth day what was the world still lacking?
11. Why was man made from dust gathered from the entire earth?
12. How is man superior to the animals?
13. Why was it not good that man be alone?
14. Where do we learn that one must not add to a commandment from Hashem?
15. What does it mean that Adam and Chava "knew that they were naked"?
16. Why did Hevel choose to be a shepherd?
17. What was the marital practice of the generation who lived before the flood?
18. What did Tuval-Cain invent?
19. Why did Chanoch die at a young age?
20. What was the sign that Shem was born with great propensity for righteousness?