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**Parashat Vayera is the 4th weekly Tora portion in the annual Jewish cycle of Tora reading.**

**Tora Portion: Genesis 18:1-22:24**

**Vayera (“He Appeared”) opens as guests inform Avraham that Sarah will give birth. Despite Avraham’s attempts to convince God otherwise, God destroys the cities of S’dom and Amorrhah. Sarah gives birth to Yitzchak, and Avraham sends away Hagar and Yishmael. At God’s command, Avraham prepares to sacrifice Yitzchak, but an angel of God tells Avraham to offer.**

1. Why did Hashem appear to Avraham after the *brit mila*?
2. Why was Avraham sitting at the entrance to his tent?
3. What were the missions of the three angels?
4. Why did Avraham enjoin the guests to wash the dust off their feet?
5. Why did Avraham ask specifically Yishmael, and not someone else, to prepare food for the guests?
6. Why did the angels ask Avraham where Sarah was?
7. When Hashem related Sarah's thoughts to Avraham, He did not relate them precisely. Why?
8. What "cry" from S'dom came before Hashem?
9. How many angels went to S'dom?
10. Why was Lot sitting at the gate of S'dom?
11. Lot served the angels *matza*. Why?
12. Why did Lot delay when he left Sodom?
13. Why were Lot and his family not permitted to look back at S'dom?
14. Lot's wife looked back and became a pillar of salt. Why was she punished in this particular way? What is the name of Lot's wife?
15. In what merit did Hashem save Lot?
16. Why did Avraham relocate after the destruction of Sodom?
17. Why did Avimelech give gifts to Avraham?
18. Why was Avraham told to listen to Sarah?
19. Why did Hashem listen to the prayer of Yishmael and not to that of Hagar?
20. Who accompanied Avraham and Yitzchak to the *akeidah* (binding)?