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# Parshat Vayigash

For the week ending 11 Tevet 5760 / 17 & 18 December 1999

## Parsha Questions

- 1. What threatening words did Yehuda say to Yosef?
- 2. Why did Yehuda say his missing brother died?
- 3. Why was Yehuda the one to plead for Binyamin?
- 4. What do we lear
- What two things did the brothers see that helped prove that he was really Yosef?
- 6. Why did Yosef send old wine to Yaakov? 7.
- 8.
- What happened to Yaakov when he realized Yosef was alive?
- 10. Why did G-
- allude?
- 12. What happened to the property that Yaakov

## Kasha!

#### How would you answer this question on the Parsha?

hese weekly Torah portions recount the tragic story of Yosef and his brothers. Here is my If Yaakov was indeed a tzaddik (righteous person) and navi (prophet), why then

Yosef, nor did he know that his sons lied about tzaddik and navi discern

the truth in these critical matters?

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#### Answer

The Midrash says that the prophecy, or ruach hakodeh, that Yaakov had, was temporarily (22 years) suspended from him, when Yosef was sold.

Midrash Tanchuma, Miketz 6.

acquired in Padan Aram?

- 13. Who was the mother of Shaul ben HaCanaanit?
- 14.
- 15. Yosef harnessed his own chariot instead of letting a servant do it. Why?
- 16. Why were shepherds abhorrent to the Egyptians?
- 17. Why did Yosef pick the weakest brothers to stand before Pharaoh?
- 18. What blessing did Yaakov give Pharaoh when he left his presence?
- 19. Yosef resettled the land of Egypt, moving the people from city to city. What were his two motives for
- 20. Whose fields were not bought by Yosef?

## I Did Not Know That!

Bereishet

45:3

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mention his sale into slavery because Binyamin was

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## Recommended Reading List

Ramban	47:18	The Seven Lean Years
44:19		Sforno
45:16	45:16	
Brothers	46:3	The Advantage of Exile
45:26		
45:27 The Lifetime Secret		Ohr HaChaim HaKadosh
46:15 Hidden Miracles	45:26	
46:29 Who Cried?	46:4	The <i>Shechina</i> in Mitzrayim
47.9		

- 1. 44:18 He threatened that Yosef would be stricken with leprosy, like Pharaoh when he took Sarah from Avraham; alternatively, Yehuda threatened to kill Yosef and Pharaoh.
- 2. 44:20 Yehuda feared that if he said his missing brother was alive, Yosef would demand to see him.
- 3. 44:32 -
- 4. 45:9 We learn that *Eretz Yisrael* is higher than all other lands.
- 45:12 He was circumcised like they were, and he spoke *Lashon Hakodesh*.
- 6. 45:14 Binyamin wept for the destruction of *Mishkan Shilo*
- 7. 45:23 Elderly people appreciate old wine.
- 8. 45:24 He warned that if they engage in halachic disputes, they might not be alert to possible travel dangers.
- 9. 45:27 His *ruach hakodesh* (prophetic spirit) returned.
- 10. 46:3 Because Yaakov was grieved to leave Eretz Canaan.
- 11. 46:4 That Yaakov would be buried in Eretz Canaan.
- 12. 46:6 -
- 13. 46:10 Dina bat Yaakov.
- 14. 46:19 Rachel was regarded as the mainstay of the family.
- 15. 46:29 Yosef wanted to hasten to honor his father.
- 16. 46:34 Because the Egyptians worshipped sheep.
- rength and draft them.
- 18. 47:10 That the waters of the Nile should rise to greet Pharaoh.
- 19. 47:21 In order to remind them that they no longer owned the land, and to help his family by removing the stigma of being strangers.
- 20. 47:22 -