

## Shabbat of Choices

- Set up:
  - o B-side migrash (Book it, also betam bet)
  - o We split the Chanichim into 9 groups of 10 or 11. There will be 2 or 3 madrichim for each group.
- First activity:
  - o Relay race: each group is split into 2 teams. They will stand in a line with the first person in their line holding a rock between their elbows. They will run to a designated marker and back. The chanich/ah will then elbow the rock to the next person in line who will receive it with their elbows. This will be repeated for all chanichim. The first team done will win.
  - o Rules:
    - In the case of a dropped rock, it must be picked up with the elbows. If the rock is dropped during a transfer from one chanich to another, the person handing it off must first pick it up with their elbows then hand it off with their elbows.
  - Text based discussion:
    - o Ask the students of the Sabbath: "Was it frustrating not being able to use your hands?" give an example
    - o "Moses was frustrated too. Has frustration ever made you break the rules/make an impulsive decision? Give an example"
    - o Read Moses's punishment. (read from pasuk) Was it fair?
    - o "When a leader does something wrong impulsively, how does it affect the community?"
    - o "How do we feel when our leaders do something wrong?"
    - o Read pirkei avot
    - o Did Moses choosing the wrong path lead to an unharmonious Israel?
    - o "Even though Moses had a relatively minor transgression, his punishment was anything but minor. Can you think of times that a similarly minor transgression turned into something major?"
    - o "What are other times in the torah that a similar situation occurred?"
    - o "How does this relate to Korach?"
- Teaching a song:
  - o Come back together in the moadon

- o Rachel sings and stuff
- o Teach a song (Beshem ha shem)
- Fin

7 And the LORD spoke unto Moses, saying:

מִשֶׁה -וַיְדַבֵּר יְהוָה, אֶל ז  
לְאמֹר.

8 'Take the rod, and assemble the congregation, you, and Aaron your brother, and speak you unto the rock before their eyes, that it give forth its water; and you shall bring forth to them water out of the rock; so you shall give the congregation and their cattle drink.'

הַמִּטָּה, וְהַקֵּהל -קַח אֶת ח  
הָעֵדָה אֶתְּךָ וְאַהֲרֹן -אֶת  
הַסֵּלַע -אֶחִידְךָ, וְדַבַּרְתֶּם אֵל  
לְעֵינֵיהֶם, וְנָתַן מִמֵּינִי;  
וְהוֹצֵאתָ לָהֶם מַיִם מִן  
הָעֵדָה -קִיַּת אֶת־הַסֵּלַע, וְהִשָּׂ  
בְעִירָם. -וְאֶת

10 And Moses and Aaron gathered the assembly together before the rock, and he said unto them: 'Hear now, you rebels; are we to bring you forth water out of this rock?'

-וַיִּקְהָלוּ מִשֶׁה וְאַהֲרֹן, אֶת י  
פְּנֵי הַסֵּלַע; וַיֹּאמֶר -אֶל--הַקֵּהל  
--נָא הַמְרִים-לָהֶם, שְׁמְעוּ  
הַסֵּלַע הַזֶּה, בּוֹצֵיא לָכֶם -הַמֵּן  
מַיִם.

11 And Moses lifted up his hand, and smote the rock with his rod twice; and water came forth abundantly, and the congregation drank, and their cattle. {S}

יָדוֹ, וַיִּךְ -וַיִּרְם מִשֶׁה אֶת יא  
פַּעַמַּיִם; --הַסֵּלַע בְּמִטָּהו-אֶת  
וַיֵּצְאוּ מַיִם רַבִּים, וַתִּשְׁתְּ  
{ ס } הָעֵדָה וּבְעִירָם.

12 And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron: 'Because you believed not in Me, to sanctify Me in the eyes of the children of Israel, therefore you shall not bring

מִשֶׁה -וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה, אֶל יב  
הָאֲמֹנֹתִים -אַהֲרֹן, יַעַן לֹא-וְאֶל  
לְעֵינֵי בְנֵי בְּנֵי, לְהַקְדִּישֵׁנִי

לְכֹן, לֹא תָבִיאוּ אֶת--יִשְׂרָאֵל  
-הָאֲרֶץ, אֲשֶׁר-הִקְהַל הִזָּה, אֶל  
נָתַתִּי לָהֶם. this assembly into the land which I have  
given them.'

מן לו ותפארת לעושיה תפארת שהיא כל האדם לו שיבור ישרה דרך היא איזו אומר רבי  
והוי מצוות של שכן מתן יודע אתה שאין חמורה כמצוה קלה במצוה זהיר והוי האדם  
ואין דברים בשלשה והסתכל פסדה כנגד עבירה ושכר שכרה כנגד מצוה הפסד מחשב  
נכתבין בספר מעשיך וכל שומעת ואוזן רואה עין ממך למעלה מה דע עבירה לידי בא אתה

Rabbi [Judah HaNassi]\* would say: Which is the right path for man to  
choose for himself? Whatever is harmonious for the one who does it, and  
harmonious for mankind.

Be as careful with a minor mitzvah as with a major one, for you do not know  
the rewards of the mitzvot. Consider the cost of a mitzvah against its  
rewards, and the rewards of a transgression against its cost.

Contemplate three things, and you will not come to the hands of  
transgression: Know what is above from you: a seeing eye, a listening ear,  
and all your deeds being inscribed in a book.

(pirkei avot chapter 2 mishnah 1)