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Many, many franks

by Rabbi Dani Locker

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tHanks! nhmyu Il parents understand

Awhat I just wrote. It is, of course, what children say when their parents ask them to say "thank you" but they're too shy. So they dig their ear into their shoulder and mumble something incoherent. Something that slightly resembles actual thanks, but carefully avoids actually saying the words.

The Torah portions this time of year tend to get forgotten in a corner, sandwiched as they are between all the excitement of Purim and Passover. There are so many special readings, stories and celebrations, that it's easy to gloss over the actual book of the Torah called Vayikra (which wins second place on the 'strange and pointless translation list'as Leviticus). Mostly, it discusses the temple service, including the different offering that were brought in the Holy Temple. There was actually an offering called the TODAH, which means Thank You!

The Todah was different than all other offerings because it had some bread brought along with it. Actual, yeast filled, fluffy bread. All the other offerings were not allowed to have fluffy bread, only matzah. Since matza pizza hadn't been invented yet, that was a bummer.

why was the Todah different?

Because they rise and inflate with air, the yeast and fluffiness represent an inflated ego. In plain English, it reminds us of people who think they're better than they actually are (yeah, we all know people like that). Usually that's a pretty dangerous way to feel. It's important that we don't feel too full of ourselves. So why was the todah different?

perhaps it's different when it comes to saying thank you. People often fail to show proper gratitude because they're too shy, or don't feel like they're important enough. Kids will try to mumble something go on, flip it over...

Question of the Week

What form does the patronus of **Aberforth Dumbledore take?**

answer on back

thanks... good move

that doesn't actually amount to a real thank you. Maybe people who don't have a strong self esteem are afraid to admit they owe thanks. Either way, the Torah is telling us that when it comes to thanks, puff yourself up a bit, realize it's important, and make your thanks be heard, loud, clear and without any shoulder twitching.

And you know what to call a really large frog, right? Toada Rabba!



How did Haman feel
when Mordechai
refused to bow to
him?

He was very, very hangry!

OUCH! GROAN!

got a better joke? email it to dlocker@nageelawest.org

HEY, DON'T PEEK! THINK FIRST!

Αρενίονίh has a goat

Answer of the Week



Photos of the Week

Picture Perfect Purim

This week, nearly 100 Nageela participants in Nevada and California took part in exciting Purim events including a major Purim bash, packing and shipping 17 large boxes of treats to levish US soldiers serving overseas (see video currently on the Rabbi Locker YouTube channel) and baking colorful

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Quick Fix

By Rabbi Dov Ber Smith

You gotta hear this!!!
In this Parsha we learn about different offerings. One of them is to say 'sorry' for something done wrong. Another is the burnt-offering which is for God and is brought every day.

Did you know that both HAD to be offered in the same area within the Temple? Now you do!! And do you know why? To save people from embarrassment!!! A guy that is bringing a 'sorry-

offering' may feel ashamed for what he did. As he brings his animal to be offered everyone will know that he made a mistake and that would be really embarrassing!

So God commanded that he should bring the sacrifice in the same place where the burnt offering is brought. Now, no one will know why he is brining the offering!! We see how careful the Torah is with other people's



Awesometastic birthday wishes to Nageela Family members celebrating their birthdays:

matthew Werblud

Liam Hershko Oreya Gazala

Haddar Ben-Shimon

feelings!!

Man...YOU GOT TO LOVE BEING JEWISH!!

(Source: Growth through Torah)