

EIKEV

Gimatriya Matches

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גמ D'varim 8:10 is one of the best known p'sukim in the Torah. Not only do we say it, many people sing it in Birkat HaMazon:

וְאָכַלְתָּ וְשָׂבַעְתָּ וּבֵרַכְתָּ אֶת־ה' אֱלֹהֶיךָ
עַל־הָאָרֶץ הַטֹּבָה אֲשֶׁר נָתַן־לְךָ:

"When you eat and are satisfied, you must therefore bless HaShem your G-d for the good land that He has given you." (Living Torah)

Birkat HaMazon is made up of three brachot, then a fourth one followed by HARACHAMANS and so on. The first bracha acknowledges and thanks G-d for providing food for all of his creations (the animal and plant kingdoms). Obviously, that follows from V'ACHAL-TA... UVEIRACHTA. The second bracha acknowledges and thanks G-d for Torah and Mitzvot, and the Land which He gave us in order to live a full Torah Life. This too is stated in the pasuk when it refers to ERETZ TOVA... The third bracha asks HaShem to have mercy on us and restore Yerushalayim, the Davidic Kingdom, and the Beit HaMikdash. One could say that the Land and Yerushalayim and the Mikdash are a package deal.

There is a nice GM that ties Yerushalayim to the pasuk with the mitzva of benching.

תִּדְבַק־לְשׁוֹנִי | לְזוּכְרִי אֱמֹלָא אֲזַכְרֶכִּי
אֱמֹלָא אֲעֵלֶה אֶת־יְרוּשָׁלַם עָלַי רָאשׁ
שְׂמִינִיתִי:

"If I do not remember you, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy." (T'hilim 137:6). The two p'sukim are GMs (3824).

גמ D'varim 6:20 from Va'etchanan, is the source of the Chacham's question in the Hagada:

כִּי־יִשְׁאַלְךָ בְנֶךָ מָנוּחַ לֵאמֹר מָה הָעֲלֹת
וְהַזְזָקִים וְהַמִּשְׁפָּטִים אֲשֶׁר צִוָּה ה'
אֲלֵהֶינוּ אֶתְכֶם:

In the future, your child may ask you, 'What are the rituals, rules and laws that God our Lord has commanded you?'

The Torah 'suggests' the answer of AVADIM HAYINU, which the Baalei HaHagada use as the general answer to the MA NISHTANA. They answer the Chacham's question with the suggestion of teaching/reviewing all of Hilchot Pesach.

The Gimatriya Match of this pasuk suggests another kind of answer - none conflicting with any of the others.

וְשָׂמַרְתָּ אֶת־מִצְוֹת ה' אֱלֹהֶיךָ לְלַכְּתָ
בְּדַרְכָיו וּלְיִרְאָהוּ אֹתוֹ:

Safeguard the commandments of HaShem your G-d, so that you will walk in His ways and remain in awe of Him (D'varim 8:6, Eikev).

Tell him the story; teach him the halachot; inspire him with commitment.