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OVERVIEW OF HILIGHTS IN THIS ISSUE (C) Dr Hendel, Jan-04

Whats new and hot in this issue?

ITEM WHATS NEW & HOT IN THIS ISSUE

COMING SOON The FAQ will be posted on website soon

LIGHTNING SUMMARIES (C) Dr Hendel, Jan-04

Lighting summary of Rashis with emphasis on Rashi rules*10

#|LIST||BRIEF SUMMARY OF RASHI EMPHASIZING USE OF RASHI RULES

5 250a GIFT TO DEAD (Dt26-14c) = BURIAL(Gn48-29:30)

250a HIT STEATHILY (Lv19-16) = SLANDER (Lv19-16)

7 863i AMN=TOTALY DEVOTED:a)Nurse b)Sculptor c)Cancer d)Incapacitated

COMMENTS

LONGER FOOTNOTES

*10 The explanation of the list should be clear

- The first column gives the NUMBER of the RASHI RULE used All Rashi rules may be found with examples at http://wwww.Rashiyomi.com/workbook.htm
- The second column gives the LIST ID (eg LIST210z) which contains many examples of a particular Rashi technique and includes the example presented in the third column
- The third column gives a lightning summary of the Rashi with particular emphasis on the Rashi rule used.

Rashis covered in this issue (C) Dr Hendel, Jan-04

VERSE	RULE	BRIEF DESCRIPTION		
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Dt28-59b	UNIFIED MEANING	AMN=TOTALY devote:Nurse,sculptor,cncr		
Gn15-06a	UNIFIED MEANING	AMN=TOTALY devote:Nurse,sculptor,cncr		
Ex17-12d	UNIFIED MEANING	AMN=TOTALY devote:Nurse,sculptor,cncr		
Dt28-66b	UNIFIED MEANING	AMN=TOTALY devote:Nurse,sculptor,cncr		
Dt26-14c	OTHER VERSES	HIT PRIVATE=slander;GIVE DEAD=burial		
Dt27-24a	OTHER VERSES	HIT PRIVATE=slander;GIVE DEAD=burial		

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VERSE: Dt28-59b

RASHIS COVERED: Dt28-59b Gn15-06a Ex17-12d Dt28-66b

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SUCCINCT SUMMARY

One of Rashis 5 main goals is to explain meaning the same way a dictionary explains meaning. Rashi had a variety of vehicles to explain meaning. One of Rashis methods was

to focus on known words and present unfamiliar nuances of them.

EXAMPLE Presenting a unified theme to a root Dt28-59b Gn15-06a Ex17-12d Dt28-66b

AMN is traditionally translated as FAITH. But
Rashi explains that AMN is an adverb denoting TOTAL
DEVOTION TO ANOTHER BEING THAT IS TOTALLY DEPENDENT
ON THE 1st BEING. Hence AMN has the following 5 meanings

- NURSE the infant is TOTALLY DEPENDENT on her
- SCULPTOR the statute gets its ENTIRE form from him
- CANCER not just any disease--but cancer makes the host totally dependent and subservient to it
- INCAPACITATED loss of dependency on the self DEPENDABLE/RELIABLE something you can depend on

We now understand the traditional translation--FAITH--which indicates (in Biblical Hebrew) that the person of FAITH totally Devotes him/herself to that which they have faith in

ITEM	DETAIL	
RASHI RULE CLASS:	WORD MEANINGS	
RASHI SUBRULE CLASS	UNIFIED MEANING	
RASHI WORKBOOK PRINCIPLE	#7	
SEE BELOW	LIST863i	
List of verses with root	AMN=Totally devoted:Nurse,Sculptor,cn	

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List of verses with root AMN=Totally devoted: Nurse, Sculptor, cncr*10

VERSE	MEANING	Relation to idea that AMN=TOTALLY DEVOTED		
Dt28-59b	CANCER	cells make host TOTALLY subservient to it		
Ex04-01	DEPEND*2	They wont TOTALLY DEVOTE themselves to leave		
Gn42-20	DEPENDABLE	Prove your case &we can TOTALLY depend onyou		

Gn15-06a	DEVOTED TO GD	Abraham TOTALLY devoted himself to vision*1		
Ex17-12d	DEVOTED PRAY	Hands CONTINUOUSLY/TOTALLY gestured prayr		
Dt28-66b	INCAPACITATED	lose capacity to TOTALLY depend on self		
Es02-07	NURSE/RAISE	He TOTALLY DEVOTED himself to raising her		
So07-02	SCULPTURE	Statute is TOTALLY DEPENDENT ON HIM		

COMMENTS

Abraham had AMN on the vision of the STARS

but asked for details on the vision of inheritance

I would trasnlate AMN as TOTALLY DEVOTED. So the Rashi would mean

Abraham knew hot to TOTALLY DEVOTE himself to the vision of the STARS (which are typically symbols of the Angelic life---so Abraham who walked continuously in Gods path DEVOTED his entire being to this type of life).

But Abraham did not know HOW TO devote himself that his children should INHERIT the land. God responded to him with the vision of the cut animals and the prophecy of sojournship in Egypt---in other words by being sojourners they merited to inherit the land (of Israel).

Thus our innovation here is to translate Abrahams question of HOW DO I INHERIT IT--not as a question about FACT--will I inherit or not--but rather as a question about METHOD--how should I totally devote myself

*2 We brought these other verses in to show that the traditional translation of FAITH/BELIEVE is better understood in terms of TOTAL DEPENDANCY

Thus in Ex04-01 Moses complained that the Jews would not BELIEVE (AMN) him when he did miracles.

Moses did not mean that people wouldnt believe he is a prophet. Rather, people would vacillate and not TOTALLY DEVOTE THEMSELVES to the cause of freedom.

LONGER FOOTNOTES

*10 This approach to AMN as TOTALLY DEVOTED was largely inspired by Rabbi Hirschs commentary on Gn15-06

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VERSE: Dt26-14c

RASHIS COVERED Dt26-14c Dt27-24a

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SUCCINCT SUMMARY

One of Rashis main methods is the skillful use of cross-references to illuminate other verses. These cross-references can sometimes be used illuminate the meaning of newly coined phraes.

EXAMPLE Dt26-14c

- -The phrase GIFT TO THE DEAD in Dt26-14c
- -is illumined by
- -Gn48-29:30 -- Jacob identifies BURIAL as a GIFT TO THE DEAD

Rashi futher elaborates that GIFT TO THE DEAD includes all BURIAL RELATED MATTERS such as acquisition of the ark, and provision of burial shrouds.

EXAMPLE Dt27-24a

- -The phrase HIT STEATHILY in Dt27-14c
- -is illumined by
- -Lv19-16 where SLANDER and STANDING BY THE BLOOD OF ONES
- -FRIEND are mentioned

ITEM	DETAIL	
RASHI RULE CLASS	OTHER VERSES	
RASHI SUBRULE CLASS	INFER MEANING	
RASHI WORKBOOK PRINCIPLE	#5	
SEE BELOW	LIST250a	
List of verse pairs with	one verse shedding meaning on words	

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List of verse pairs with one verse shedding meaning on words

VERSE	TEXT OF VERSE	OTHER VRSE	MEANING
Dt26-14c	GIFT TO THE DEAD	Gn48-29:30	BURIAL*5
Dt27-24a	HIT STEATHILY	Lv19-16	SLANDER
Lv09-17b	beside the MORNING sac	Nu28-23	DAILY MORNING SAC
Nu26-10a	BANNER fire on rebels	Nu17-03	SYMBOL*3
Dt01-19a	GREAT & AWESOME desert	Dt08-15	with snakes
Ex13-20a	SUCCOTH*1	Nu33-05	RMSYTH->SCCTH
Gn15-09	CALF	Lv09-07d	1 year old
Ex21-17b	HIS BLOOD ON HIM	Lv20-27	StoneTo Death
Ex14-24b	CONFUSION attacks	1S07-10	by NOISE
Ex30-13e	GAYRAH	1802-36	CURRENCY UNIT
Ex30-18d	Washpan near ALTAR	Ex40-27:29	COPPER ALTAR
Nu01-02a	Count Jews by FAMILY	Nu01	Count by TRIBE
Nu01-02c	Count Jews by HEADS	Ex38-26*2	COIN per HEAD
Ex29-42a	CONTINUAL offering	Ex29-39	Twice a day*4
Ex27-20	CONTINUOUS burning	Ex27-21a	all night*4

COMMENTS

*1 Ex13-20 Jews journeyed from Succoth after Exodus Ex12-27 Exodus: Jews go from Raamsayth to Succoth Nu33-05 Exodus, Then Raamsayth, Then Succoth

The point is that Nu33-05 makes it clear that there were 3 places

- Exodus FROM Egypt
- TO Raamsayth
- TO Succoth.

Ex13-20 only mentions 2 of the places Ex12-27 makes it sound like they left EGYPT, ie they left RAAMSAYTH.

It is in fact common for places to have multiple names. So Nu33-05 illumines that there were 3 distinct places

*2 Also see Ex30-11:16 which prohibits DIRECTLY counting people. Instead, we must count the COINS of each person and from this infer the total count.

*3 Nu17-05 further illumines by calling it a MEMORIAL Thus we have SYMBOL MEMORIAL BANNER.

Since NAYS means BANNER it refers to anything that ATTRACTS attention such as SYMBOLS or MIRACLES

*4 In this example the Hebrew word TaMid can mean either CONTINUAL or CONTINUOUS depending on context.

*5 Rashi extends the meaning of GIFT TO THE DEAD to all BURIAL RELATED MATTERS such as provision of shrouds and the coffin *#*#*# (C) RashiYomi Inc., 2004, Dr. Hendel, President #*#*#*#

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