**Questions for Understanding and Reflection**

1. From all the readings for this Shabbat which verse or verses impressed your heart and fired your imagination?

I liked the Ramban’s commentary where the children of Heth tell Avraham that he is a king: They therefore answered him: "You are not regarded by ‎us as a stranger or sojourner. Rather, you are a king. G-d has made you king over us, and we and our land are subservient to you. Take any ‎burial ground you desire, and bury your dead there. It shall be unto you a possession of a burial-place forever since no one of us shall withhold ‎it from you." ‎

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 22:1?

**after these things** – What were “these things”?

**Here I am** – What kind oif reply is this?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 22:2?

**Please take** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew phrase: קַח נָא?

**your son** – What is the meaning and purpose of this phrase?

**the land of Moriah** – Where is this place?

**bring him up** – What is the meaning of this command?

**one of the mountains** – Why was HaShem ambiguouis about the place?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 22:3?

**And...arose early** – What is the meaning of this pasuk?

**and he saddled** – What is the meaning of this pasuk?

**his two young men** – Who are these two men?

**and he split** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew word: וַיְבַקַע?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 22:4?

**On the third day** - Why did He delay from showing it to him immediately?

**and saw the place** – What did he see?

**yonder** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew phrase: עַד כּֽה?

**and return** – How did he know that he would return?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 22:13?

**and lo! there was a ram** – What is unusual about this ram?

**After** – After what?

**in a tree** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew word:. בַּסְבַךְ?

**by its horns** – Why was it caught by it’s horns?

**Instead (lit. “on top of”) of his son** – What is missing from this text?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 22:14?

**The Lord will see** – What is the simple meaning of this phrase?

**as it is said to this day** – What is the meaning of this phrase?

**to this day** – Why are days mentioned?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 23:4?

**I am a stranger and an inhabitant with you** – What was being conveyed by this statement?

(Avraham is looking for this place to become Gan Eden; it is there that I will not be a stranger. As long as it is this barren place, then I am a stranger.)

**burial property** – What is burial property?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 23:9?

**Double** – How is it doubled?

f**or a full price** – What is the meaning of this phrase?

1. What questions were asked of Rashi regarding Gen. 23:17?

**the field of Ephron...was established** – What is the meaning of the Hebrew word: וַיָקָם?

1. What are some of the eight co-incidental similarities between the binding of Yitchaq upon the altar and the binding of His Majesty King Yeshua the Messiah to a cross?
2. Death by Divine Decree,
3. Willingness of the Victims,
4. Execution at the Divine Appointed Place,
5. “HaShem Will Stare At This Place”,
6. “Let his blood be upon us”,
7. Carrying the wood,
8. Mothers,
9. The resurrection
10. After having read the Torah Sedarim on Abraham thus far, what in your opinion is the main characteristic of Abraham and his true and genuine sons?

They exhibit the quality of chessed, hospitality, and obedience. Abraham and his genuine sons have an heart of righteous generosity, who act with immediacy and joy to the directives of HaShem.

1. Allegorically in Jewish thought who are the Kallah?

The term “Kallah” is often used to refer to either “academic instruction” or an “academic institution.”[[1]](#footnote-1) These institutions were held in apparent sessions.[[2]](#footnote-2)

1. In Jewish thought, who are considered B’nei Pirkei?

The merchants, laborers, and the entrepaneurs - the economic engine of the society. They are also the Am HaAretz, "the people of Land" i.e. the uneducated Jews in the Torah.

1. Why are the Talmidim of His Majesty King Yeshua the Messiah obliged to fast on the fast days described in Zechariah 8:19, but not so whilst he was teaching on earth?

Because Yeshua embodied the Temple and we fast for the destruction of the Temple. There is no fasting at a wedding. When the bridegroom is with us, this is a wedding. When the kallah, Israel, is with the bridegroom, this is a wedding.

1. What was/and should be to this very day the major goal of the Kallot Academies? And what does 1 John 3:1-2 have to say about this matter?‎

The Kallot Academies tried to develop a “**Nation of Hakhamim”**. 1 John 3:1-2 calls us to become the sons of God, which is another way of saying Hakhamim. So these two are in agreement.

1. Is there any support in the Nazarean Codicil for the Halakha **"**“**A son honors his father, a servant honors his master and a Talmid honors his Hakham**”?

Mt 15:4 For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother:

Ro 13:7 Render therefore to all their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.

1Ti 5:17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.

1Ti 6:1 Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honour, that the name of God and his doctrine be not blasphemed.

1. To what is one obliged under the ruling **“the lesser cannot speak evil of one greater”** and do we find a similar ruling in the Nazarean Codicil?

We can not speak evil against the Holy Spirit. We find this is: Mr 3:29 But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation:

1. What is the “rebuke” or “rebukes” that G-d has for all of us this week, and what is/are the remedies?

**Yirm’yahu (Jeremiah) 2:**11. Behold, the nations have not forsaken the service of the idols, and they are idols in which there is no profit, But My people have forsaken ‎My service, for the sake of which I bring glory upon them, and they have gone after what will not profit them.

1. ‎Taking into consideration all the readings for this Shabbat what is the prophetic statement for this ‎week?‎

Obey HaShem with alacrity and a whole heart.

1. Ibid p.155 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. ﻿B. Berakhot 6b I also run. R. Zera says: The merit of attending a lecture lies in the running. Abaye says: The merit of attending the Kallah sessions. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)