1. What does the term שיבת ציון refer to?
2. Please translate the words כבש אחד בין שבעים זאבים.
3. Please explain the story of כבש אחד בין שבעים זאבים.
4. What made שיבת ציון unique in world history?
5. What is כורש famous for?
6. Why does ישעי'ה הנביא call כורש the משיח?
7. What decree did כורש make in the first year of his rule?
8. How did the minority of Jews react to כורש’s decree?
9. According to the גמרא, what did the members of this minority share in common?
10. How did the majority of Jews react to כורש’s decree?
11. According to the גמרא, how should the majority of Jews have reacted?
12. According to the גמרא, what would have happened if the majority reacted properly?
13. Please explain the metaphor of the wall and the door.
14. What is ששבצר famous for?
15. What did the descendants of ברזילי הגלעדי search for?
16. What was the consequence of their failed search?
17. How many Jews made עלי'ה with עזרא? 42,360
18. How many horses made עלי'ה with עזרא? 736
19. How many mules made עלי'ה with עזרא? 245
20. How many camels made עלי'ה with עזרא? 435
21. How many donkeys made עלי'ה with עזרא? 6,720
22. According to the Malbim, what did the Jews do out of fear of the local gentiles?
23. What halacha does the Gemara learn from this?
24. How might this Malbim have influenced Moshe Dayan's conduct after the six-day war?
25. According to R. Yitzchak Isaac Herzog, what can we learn from this about the modern State of Israel?
26. In the first month of the second year, what did זרובבל and יהושע build?
27. What rule of R. Akiva Eiger follows from this construction?
28. What ceremony did זרובבל and יהושע perform in the second month of the second year?
29. How did the young people behave at the ceremony?
30. How did the old people behave at the ceremony?
31. Why did the old people behave this way?
32. Whose reaction was more intense?
33. What was our enemies’ first reaction when we began to rebuild the בית המקדש?
34. Why did they react this way?
35. What הלכה does the גמרא learn from this?
36. What were our enemies’ second and third reactions?
37. What was our enemies’ fourth reaction? (Please give three opinions.)
38. What was our enemies' fifth reaction?
39. In Sefer Ezra, what is אחשורוש famous for?
40. Why did אחשורוש halt the rebuilding of the בית המקדש?
41. Why did we restart rebuilding the בית המקדש?
42. How did the Persian governor react to our restart of the rebuilding?
43. How did the Persian king react to our restart of the rebuilding?
44. What did עזרא look for when he reached the river אהוא?
45. Why did עזרא fast at the river אהוא?
46. What did the Persian king offer עזרא on his way to ארץ ישראל?
47. Why did עזרא refuse the Persian king’s offer?
48. What problem did the officers tell עזרא about when he arrived in ירושלים?
49. How did עזרא address this problem?
50. On כ' כסלו, why did the people in the plaza tremble?
51. What did the people want to do?
52. What did the people not want to do?
53. What compromise did they reach?
54. What is עזרא famous for?