

1. This planet is compromised of three parts: water, desert, and inhabited land. (Talmud) Hashem sent Avrohom a representative from each part of the world to imply that the whole world was made for him and his children.

2. When Sarah prayed for her needs she always prayed for others in need as well. So when her prayers were answered so were many other helped as well!

3. Avrohom wasn't asking his friend's if he should do it. He was asking if he should do it privately or publicly.

4. Inviting [poor] guests is a great segulah to have children. Right after Avrohom welcomed the wayfarers he got a son. So too by the Shumanite woman who got a son named Habakuk after being a host for Elisha.

5. If you get a poor person a job, it's considered as giving tzedaka in the greatest way!

6. Escorting guests after their stay is even greater than welcoming them to the stay over!

7. Part of the mitzva of Bikur Cholim is praying for the ill person to recover.

8. Sarah was punished for laughing when she was blessed to have a son. Because she should of said, "amen, ken yehi ratzon!" a sign of Bitachon and hope. Sarah did not see her boy married in her lifetime.

9. Sarah denied laughing. Women are too emotional and are therefor not accepted to testify in court lest they follow emotions over intellect.

10. Not only was Yitzchok called that name because people laughed in joy over his supernatural birth, it implies that in the end of Galut it's our nation that will laugh in the end?

11. Avrohom referred to himself as dust and ashes had Nimrod's attempt of burning him transpired, and the War of the Kings would have been lost.

12. The greatest service to Hashem is educating the youth in Torah! That is why Hashem loved Avrohom.

13. If Avrohom's guests refused to say a beracha to Hashem for the food, he would charge them their expensive cost.

14. Avrohom told Sarah to rush and prepare fresh food for the guests. So too he ran to greet them

and then ran to the calves to feed them. All the acts of tzadikim are done fast.

15. The mitzva aseh that is most important to fulfill is giving tzedaka all the time.

16. A kind girl gave a poor man a loaf of bread and was tortured to death for this "sin". Lot's daughter Plotit, was taken out to be burned for having given a poor man bread. Sodom did not support the poor.

17. Many gedolim gave tzedaka before each and every tefillah.

18. Ivrit, Lot's wife was so stingy that she wouldn't even give the guests salt for their food.

19. Avrohom prayed that the guests not leave until he successfully fulfills Hachnasot Orchim!

20. Lot's wife also deserved to be punished with Sodom. She shouldn't have looked at them suffer when she was no better. Also Hashem did not what them to "look back" and regret having to leave that sinful place.

21. Avrohom's most famous tests were:

a) Choosing death by fire instead of doing avoda zara b) Leaving his homeland and family to go to the unknown destination- Eretz Cann'an c) Arriving to the land when there was a hunger d) Sarah was kidnapped by Parah and Avimelech e) Avrohom had to ransom and save Lot his nephew in war f) Sarah didn't have children and Avrohom had to marry Hagar g) Avrohom had to send away Yishmael for being bad h) Brit Milah at 99 i) Akeidat Yitzchok-willing to sacrifice all his love to Hashem j) The passing of Sarah without any land to bury her.

22. Brit Milah, performed and protected, will save one from gehinom. Also visiting the sick will.

23. Sarah's capture by Ebimelech and her subsequent reward served as reminder to us that the Jews will survive all the enemies and will be richly rewarded by Hashem

24. Yitzchok was like an identical twin of Avrohom, and Sarah nursed all the children of the dignitaries of the lands.

25. Lot's wife today is visible in Sodom. (We have her photo in Torahvisions!)

26. Avrohom offered matza, but gave a meat meal more exquisite than a meal of King Solomon. Whereas some people offer the world and don't do a thing!

27. Sometimes the Hofetz Hayim sang Shalom Alechem during the meal so the hungry guests got eat faster.

28. When the calf ran away Avrohom followed it into the Mearat Hamachpelah where Adam and Hava were buried.

29. Yishmael tried killing Yitzchok, like typical Arab terrorist. (Yemach shemam)

30. Sodom had volcanoes and earthquakes for half a century to shake them up to do teshuva. They didn't get the message.

31. Timna, Yishmael, and Yeshu were all rejected from our people. Their descendants despise us still today: Amalek, Arabs, and Christians.

32. Many people refuse to welcome guests if their house is messy. Their foolish because the poor guests just want a shelter. The Torah tells us to give incomplete grapes to the poor to show he needs food and doesn't care how complete it looks.

33. Hagar lost her first baby due to Ayin Horah since she was showing off.

34. Avrohom visited Yishmael's home but he wasn't there. So Avrohom tested his "daughter-in-law" by asking for hospitality. When she refused angrily Avrohom hinted Yishmael to change her for a more compassionate wife instead, so he did. The next time he visited he was pleased and prayed that Hashem fill his house with all good.

35. At the time he was 13, Yishmael did not commit the serious sins that his descendants would do.

36. The food, drink, and protection that Bnei Yisroel got in the desert was in a great part the merit of Avrohom Avinu's generosity.

37. Avrohom didn't tell Sarah lest she changed his mind. So he left early when she was sleeping.

38. The famous Iyob's house had entrances on all sides to welcome guests. (After all Iyob was Avrohom's great nephew!)

39. The Jews are called "The nation all righteous" since they all do Milah.

40. Avrohom told the angel who told him not to cut Yitzchok that he wants only Hashem to tell him. Then Hashem opened the skies and said, "I insist". Than Avrohom said, "I insist this always be a

defense for my descendants to survive." Hashem said on Rosh Hashanah, let them blow the shofar from a ram to recall this major merit to atone and save them.

41. The ram kept getting it's horn's stuck in the thicket. Again and again, finally Avrohom freed it. So too the Jews got stuck time after time in their sins and exiles but eventually will be freed.

42. The Satan disguised himself as humble and wise criticizing Avrohom for such an act. Avrohom shouted at him! Than the Satan disguised himself as a handsome young man and went to Yitzchok saying, "your father's insane and has gone mad to kill you..." Avrohom told Yitzchok, "ignore him he is the Satan trying to make you miss the orders of Hashem. Avrohom screamed at that "man". The Satan then made himself into a raging river threatening to drown them. Avrohom was shocked because he knew there was never a river there. He told Yitzchok "it's the Satan again." Avrohom screamed at the Satan and cried out to Hashem "may Hashem shout at you Satan- we are going to do Hashem's mitzvot!" The Satan got scared of Avrohom's threat and stopped bothering them and the river dried up instantly.

43. We ask Hashem to make us many like dust. Also we shouldn't care for our honor from others.

44. Avrohom didn't want Yishmael or Eliezer at the actual Akeida lest hey stop him or give it an "Ayin Harah".

45. The angel had to call Avrohom's name twice. Since he was so involved in the mitzvah he didn't hear it.

46. Hashem told Avrohom to do Sarah's command "Garesh et haama hazot" (extract Hagar, whose son was a bad influence to Yitzchok!

47. Some say Lot's wife's name was Ivrit. That means blind. Because she was blind, to see the suffering of others. Her stone heart eventually was surrounded by a stone body. Actually the attackers in Sedom were also blinded, as a clear indication of their blindness to see the pain of others.

48. Lot wanted to live in Sedom so he could practice their bad behavior. For moving to an evil neighborhood one is called a rasha!. Eventually he was perverted like them as he sinned with his daughters.

49. Avrohom said that he had recognized Hashem at the age of three. But, he feels that Yitzchok although 37, still did not get enough "Chinuch".

Therefore he would like to send him to a great Yeshiva. She said "go in peace".

50. Our ancestors Avrohom and Yitzchok showed total devotion to Hashem with the willingness to sacrifice everything to Hashem. So that fortitude exists in our blood as well.