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Here for Hashem

asan and Aviram got into a fight and one of them was about to hit the other. Before he actually struck, the *Torah* calls him a *rasha*.



Question – We can understand why someone who strikes another *Yid* is called a *rasha*. But why does the *Torah* call a

person a *rasha* for just **wanting** to hit, before actually doing so?

Answer – Every Υid is created with the purpose of serving Hashem every moment of his life. Every limb in our body is designated to serve Hashem according to its ability. Our feet run to do mitzvos and our hands give and share. Therefore, even just raising a hand to hit another Υid is

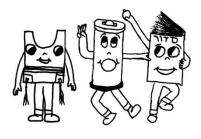
already a violation of the purpose for which it was

created.

It is for this reason that the *Torah* calls such a person a *rasha* – for using his hand for the exact opposite for which it was created.

Lesson – We must never raise our hand against another Yid. That, however, is not enough.

We must serve Hashem with our entire body our entire life. When we have a free moment, we use it to call a friend to see how he is doing;



or to learn another *possuk*, and so on. Only then are we truly fulfilling our mission!

(Based on Likutei Sichos vol. 31 p. 3)

Let's Review...

What does this week's parsha spe	ak about?	
What question do we have?		
What is the answer?		
What lesson can we learn from the	his week's <i>p</i> a	arsha?