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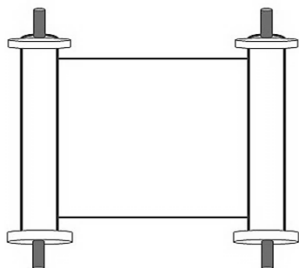
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A Precious Home

In the *Parshiyos Teruma* and *Tetzave* the *Yidden* received all the instructions of how to build the *mishkan*. The *Yidden* immediately got to work, and in the *Parshiyos Vayakhel* and *Pikudei* the *Torah* describes - in full detail - how the *Yidden* built the *mishkan* with all the *keilim* and *bigdei kehuna*.



Question – Every word in the *Torah* is precise and for a purpose. Why does the *Torah* repeat all the details of how the *Yidden* built the *mishkan*? It could have simply stated, “The *Yidden* built the *mishkan*, just as Hashem commanded them.”

Answer - Although in general the *Torah* uses the least words needed, the building of the *mishkan* was different. We see in the *Torah* that when something is dear to Hashem, He repeats it even at great length.

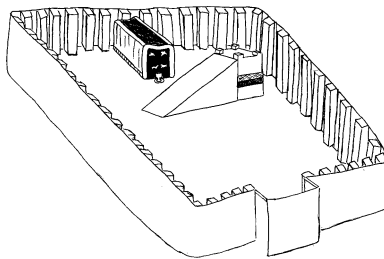
The *mishkan* was very dear to Hashem for two reasons:

1) It would be the place where Hashem would rest His *Shechina* upon the *Yidden*.

2) The *mishkan* was a sign that Hashem forgave the *Yidden* for the sin of the golden calf.

Even though the *Yidden* did the most terrible sin, Hashem wanted the *Yidden* to be forgiven so He could once again rest amongst the *Yidden*. This sign of love was so dear to Hashem that He repeats it in the *Torah* twice!

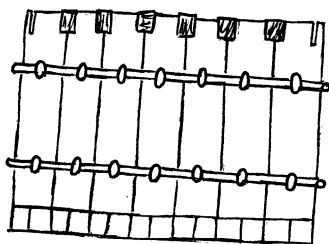
Lesson – The sin of the golden calf was a sin of *avoda zara*. Yet, Hashem was ready to forgive the *Yidden* and rested amongst them. We learn from here that even if someone hurt us, we should not keep a grudge, but rather be ready to forgive them with our full heart!



(Based on *Likutei Sichos* vol. 16 p. 458)

Behind the Scenes

After many months of work, the *Yidden* completed building the *mishkan*. Rashi tells us that Moshe *Rabeinu* instructed the *Yidden* **how** to build the *mishkan*, but he wasn't actually involved in the **building** of the *mishkan*.



We learn from here an important lesson:

We each have a mission in this world to make ourselves and the world around us into a “*mishkan*” for Hashem - a place where Hashem’s *Shechina* can be revealed.

Although all *Yidden* have a part in this mission, it is mainly accomplished by those who are involved in worldly matters, like business people. When they take the things they work with and use them for *kedusha*, they make the world a *mishkan* for Hashem.

Just like Moshe, the *Talmidei Chachomim* and *Yeshiva* students have a very important role in this *mishkan*. When they share with the business people what they learned in *Yeshiva*, they help the business people in their mission, ensuring that it's completed in the best way possible, befitting Hashem's home!

Lesson – When we come home from *Yeshiva*, we should always share something that we learned that day. At the *Shabbos* table we can share a *dvar Torah*. During the week we can review *Chumash* with our father. These words of *Torah* bring success to the businessmen, both in their material business, as well as in their mission to make this world a place where Hashem's *Shechina* will be revealed.



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