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~ פְּרִשֶׁת יִתְרוֹ ~

The עֲשֶׂרֶת הַדְּבָרוֹת (1-5)	
<p>I am Hashem, your G-d.</p> <p>We must know that there is one G-d, Hashem, Who created everything. He is King of the Universe, and continues to run it. It is only possible to remain faithful to the Torah when we recognise Hashem as the only G-d of the World. <i>Why do you think this is the case?</i></p>	<p>אֲנֹכִי ה' אֱלֹהִים</p> <p>There is no בְּרָכָה for this מצוָה. Several reasons for this are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The mitzvoh applies at all times; 2. It requires no action; 3. It has no limits, like אֵב וְאֵם כְּכֹד.
<p>You must not have other gods.</p> <p>You shall not <i>recognise</i> other gods, <i>make idols</i>, <i>bow down</i> to idols or <i>serve/worship</i> them. We are forbidden even to <i>believe</i> that another 'god' exists aside from Hashem. If we also worship an idol we break additional mitzvos.</p>	<p>לֹא יִהְיֶה לָּךְ</p>
<p>You shall not take the Name of Hashem, your G-d, in vain.</p> <p>It is forbidden to make a vain (needless) oath using Hashem's Name. There are four types of needless oath (see below *). Hashem is the greatest Being, and we must only use His Name with enormous respect and when we have an important need to do so.</p>	<p>לֹא תִשָּׂא</p>
<p>Remember ...(Shabbos) (see below)</p>	<p>זָכוֹר</p>
<p>Honour ...(your parents) (see below)</p>	<p>כְּבֹד</p>

<p>Remember the day of Shabbos to sanctify it.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. We are obligated to sanctify (לְקַדְּשׁוֹ - 'make it holy') Shabbos by making קִידוּשׁ at the beginning and הַבְּדִלָּה at the end. Kiddush and Havdoloh help us to think about the greatness and specialness of Shabbos. 2. We are forbidden to perform any of the מְלָאכוֹת ל"ט (39 Melochos) - types of creative activity - that were performed in the construction of the מִשְׁכָּן, or any מְלָאכָה that is similar to one of the 39. 	<p>זָכוֹר אֶת-יוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת לְקַדְּשׁוֹ:</p> <p>Not doing creative work on Shabbos reminds us that Hashem created the world in six days and rested on the seventh.</p>
<p>Honour your father and your mother.</p> <p>We are obligated to honour our parents and help them with all their needs. We must show them great respect both in the way we speak and in our actions. We must show gratitude to our parents for bringing us into the world and for providing us with all of our needs. Through honouring and showing gratitude to our parents we do the same to Hashem.</p>	<p>כְּבֹד אֶת-אָבִיךָ וְאֶת-אִמְךָ...</p>

* The Four Types of Needless Oath

1. An oath contradicting an obvious fact, for example, swearing that a stone is gold.
2. An oath stating an obvious fact, like swearing that a stone is a stone.
3. An oath not to perform a mitzvoh, for example, not to put on tefillin.
4. An oath to do something impossible.

My child was able to explain and discuss these divrei Torah...
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