

The GREATEST MIRACLE THAT WE, THE JEWISH PEOPLE EVER WITNESSED-THE MIRACLE OF THE SPLITTING OF THE RED SEA, OCCURRED ON THE 7TH DAY OF PESACH

THE MISHNAH IN AVOT (5:6) ENUMERATES 10 THINGS THAT WERE CREATED ON EREV SHABBAT AT BEIN HA'SHMASHOT (TWILIGHT), INCLUDING THE STAFF WITH WHICH MOSHE PERFORMED THE SIGNS IN MITZRAYIM. All of nature had been created on the previous 6 days but these future miracles , exception to HaShem's natural order, were provided for on Erev Shabbat at bein haShemashot.

Thus, the Rambam explains IN (Shemoneh Perakim,8, Peirush HaMishnayot, Avot 5:6), it is not the case, as it may appear, that Gd altered the laws of nature at the time that *this* miracles occurred. Rather, the Ratzon HaShem that these innovations occur in the future was present at the time of Creation itself. That's as far as Nissim Geluim, revealed miracles are concerned. (See note after paragraph of Nissim Nistarim)

However, Nissim Nistarim (hidden miracles), are of a completely different nature. Rambam,. in Moreh Nevuchim 3:17, explains, that although Gd does not adjust the laws of nature that He established during Creation, He does, at times, exercise Hashgacha Pratit to suspend man's free will. Free will is the only aspect of world events not governed by the laws of nature.

Note: The Rambam offers a Mashal of a ship that capsizes at sea. It is Gd's will that this accident should occur. He therefore may suspend the free will of the manufacturer, so that the ship is built less sturdy than usual. Furthermore, Gd may see to it that a rasha decides to travel on this ship, although, he is unaccustomed to doing so. Or that a Tzaddik avoids traveling on this ship. Gd adjusts the choices that people make, in order to arrange for Nissim Nistarim.

It emerges from this explanation that a Nes Nigleh, like Pesach, is not a new miracle. It is , in fact the Nes of Creation, and it occurs only because it was so stipulated . However, a Nes Nistar is not a Nes of Creation, but rather a present day Nes that Gd orchestrated through Hashgacha Pratit.

May HaShem grant us, the privilege of a Nes Nistar, or a Nes Nigleh, either one that the Malach HaMavet, NOW called COVID VIRUS, will indeed, PASS-OVER the Jewish homes as he did in the days of Pesach Mitzrayim. Our Pesach this year will then be a Pass-Over of joy and Simcha for all Klal Yisrael.

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