



THE TRIBE SCRIBE

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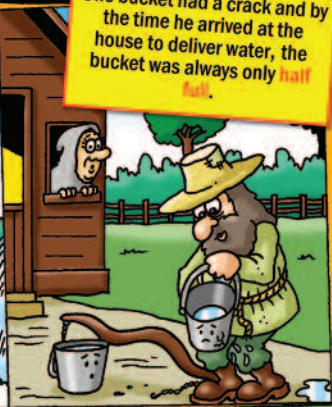


IN THIS MONTH OF **ADAR** WE'RE MEANT TO INCREASE OUR HAPPINESS. THE **TORAH** TELLS US THAT ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO BE HAPPY IS TO BE SATISFIED WITH WHAT WE HAVE.

The water carrier wore a large pole on his neck with two buckets hanging down to carry the water. He would fill both buckets and set off to deliver water.

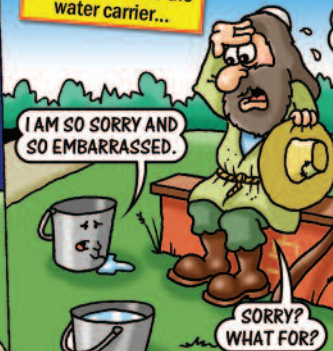


One bucket had a crack and by the time he arrived at the house to deliver water, the bucket was always only **half full**.



This continued for years. Every day the water carrier would fill **two** buckets but arrive at the house with only **one and a half** buckets of water.

One day the cracked bucket spoke to the water carrier...



I AM SO SORRY AND SO EMBARRASSED.

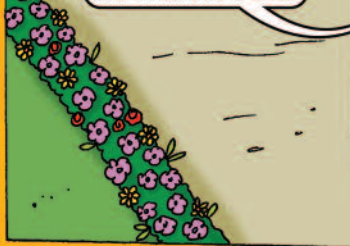
I AM A CRACKED BUCKET. I LEAK WATER. ALL THESE YEARS YOU HAVE BEEN FILLING **TWO** BUCKETS OF WATER, BUT ONLY DELIVERING **ONE AND A HALF**. YOU DON'T GET THE FULL AMOUNT.



SORRY? WHAT FOR?

The water carrier replied...

LOOK AT THE PATH AS WE WALK BACK TO THE HOUSE. NOTICE THAT ON YOUR SIDE OF THE PATH THERE ARE **BEAUTIFUL FLOWERS**, BUT THE OTHER SIDE IS **BARE**.



I KNEW THAT YOU WERE A CRACKED POT, BUT INSTEAD OF COMPLAINING ABOUT YOUR CRACK, I PLANTED **SEEDS** ON YOUR SIDE OF THE PATH.



NONE OF US ARE PERFECT, WE ARE ALL CRACKED IN SOME WAY. DON'T BE EMBARRASSED OF YOUR CRACKS, RECOGNISE THEM AND USE THEM TO BRING **BEAUTY** TO THE WORLD.

EVERY DAY WHEN YOU LEAK WATER YOU ARE WATERING THE FLOWERS ON YOUR SIDE. AND EVERY DAY I ENJOY THE GLORIOUS SIGHT THAT YOU HAVE MADE POSSIBLE.



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