



THE TRIBE SCRIBE

RE'EH: CHARITY CHALLENGE!



THIS WEEK'S PARASHA TALKS ABOUT THE MITZVAH OF TZEDAKAH - CHARITY. THE RAMBAM - MAIMONIDES (12TH CENTURY, SPAIN) DESCRIBES 8 LEVELS OF GIVING CHARITY - EACH ONE HIGHER THAN THE NEXT.

JOIN US WE WORKOUT OUR CHARITY-GIVING MUSCLES, THROUGH RAMBAM'S 8 LEVELS.

1. Giving charity reluctantly.



2. Happily giving charity but giving less than one should.



3. Giving charity, but only when asked.



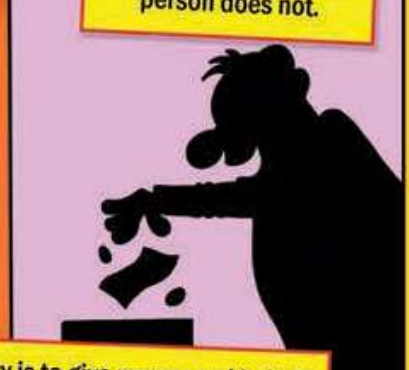
4. Giving charity without being asked, giving directly to the poor.



5. A person leaves a donation in a certain place, but walks away without knowing who received the benefit. The poor person knows the giver.



6. Giving charity secretly. The giver knows who has benefited, but the poor person does not.



7. Contributing anonymously to a charity fund which is then distributed to the poor.



8. The highest level of charity is to give money and help to prevent another person from becoming poor. For example: teaching a person a trade, finding them a job, lending money to start a business, teaching them to fish.



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