

# אקדמות



When do we read אקדמות?

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אקדמות is a poem of 90 lines, written by ר' מאיר. What does it talk about?

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When did the story of רות take place?

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There was a famine in the land and one man moved away from בית לחם. Who was he and why did he move away?

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Who did he take with him?

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Where did he go to?

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What happened to his sons?

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What was his punishment?

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After the famine was over, נעמי decided to return. What does she tell her daughters in law?

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ערפה returned to her people, but רות refused. נעמי tried to dissuade her. What can we learn from this?

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What did רות answer?

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What did נעמי tell the people of בית לחם when she arrived?

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Who was בועז?

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Why did רות go out to the fields?

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Why did בועז notice רות?

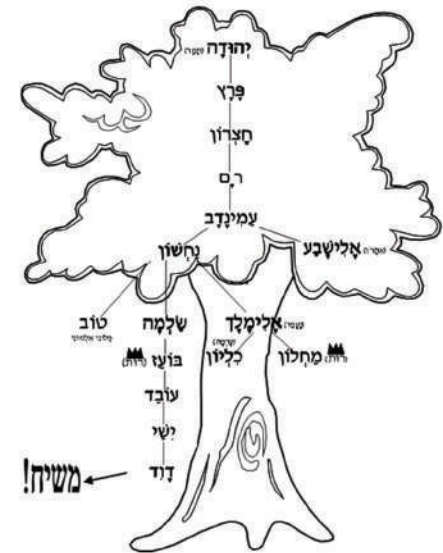
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What was the end result?

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How was רות rewarded?

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# My Guide To שבועות



What are the 5 names of שבועות?

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What are the שלשת ימי הגבלה?

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What type of הלל do we say on שבועות?

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What must we remember during ברכת המזון & שמונה עשרה?

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## מנהגים



Why is there a special מנהג on ליל שבועות for men to stay up all night?

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Why do many decorate their homes and shuls?

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What type of foods do we eat and why?

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Why do we learn the תורה every single year? How many times can we read the same thing?

There was a soldier who was sent out to battle; he wishes a tearful goodbye to his family before he leaves. He heads out to war far away from home, not knowing when he will see his dear family again. Every week the commander reads out the names of the soldiers who got letters. After a few months, he hears his name being called out. The soldier opens the letter and right away he recognises his children's handwriting. They write about how much they miss him and how much they just want him to visit and even that his daughter started taking her first steps. What does the soldier do with this letter? Would he just crumble it up and throw it away? Of course not! He folds it away very carefully and places it in his chest pocket- right next to his heart. Every night when all the other soldiers are sleeping, he takes it out and reads it again and again. Why does he read it again? Because every time he reads it, he's connecting back home!

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