Noah's Ark; covenant with Noah about caring for the world; Should we be vegetarians? (Some say God meant us to be vegetarians until Noah)

Shmita-preserving fruitfulness, animal habitats; Torah teaches to feed animals before we eat [Deut 11:15]

Holidays—New year for animals (link); Pesach eggs, shank bone/(beet for vegetarians)

Caring for animals
צַעַר בַּעֲלֵי חַיִּים
*Tza'ar ba'alei chaim*

Mitzvah-sending mother bird away from nest before you take eggs (*shiluach ha-ken*) [Deut. 22:7]

Eco-kashrut-what is fit to eat in our day? Fair trade

Food traditions

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Vocabulary for animals

Midrash of how Moses was chosen as leader - Moses shows kindness and rescues a lost lamb

Shmita/ownership-food grown in a shmita year is for all people and animals (see Shmita guide)

Returning a lost object
הַשָּׁבַת אֲבֵדָה
*Hashavat aveida*

Torah stories about returning lost things: Joseph's cup in Benjamin's sack

Bracha for returning lost object; *hineni muchan u'mezuman* (when preparing to do a mitzvah)

Shmita-releasing debt: all debts are released in a shmita year. How does this affect ownership?

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