

BH. Sacha Shabbos Hagadol Vol 17

Rebbe's Questions:

- 1. What makes this miracle "BIG"**
 - compared to fantastic miracles at Exodus
 - it didn't affect the Jewish people
- 2. Why was Shabbat set to commemorate & not 10th of Nissan?**
 - Miriam's passing is a reason NOT to do it on 10th
 - What's the reason TO DO it on Shabbos?

Rebbe's Explanation:

- 1. This was a miracle of TRANSFORMATION rather than just SUBDUING Egypt (evil)**
- 2. Shabbos is all about (SUBDUING &) ultimately TRANSFORMING negativity (2 approaches to Mashiach's era ("Shabbos") regarding wild beasts (evil))**

Examples of Shabbos = TRANSFORMATION:

- On 1st Shabbos "night shone like day"
- Material pursuits (food, drink, sleep) become holy

This explains:

- Why It's called the "Great Shabbos" - a foretaste of Mashiach (Until than Shabbos only elevates mundane, not actual "evil")
- Why Alter Rebbe presents Shabbos Hagadol "as result of Exodus"

Shabbos is ALL ABOUT TRANSFORMATION:

- **Shabbos = REST; Contradiction: movement (past present future) & non-movement
“time standing still”**

Halachic examples of time “time standing still”:

- **Yom Kippur considered “one moment”**
- **49 days of Omer considered one count**
- **Events of Exodus continue for all time**