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Building with Bits by Rabbi Dani Locker

When you're a Master Builder, you might be featured in a LEGO movie. You might even be "The Special." What are the tools that are needed to truly become a master builder? Having a head that can swivel completely around might help. The Torah gives a different description.





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Betzalel was the master builder of the Mishkan, the portable temple the Jews used until the permanent temple was built. Interestingly, the Mishkan was very lego-like. The wooden planks protruded at the ends, and snapped cleanly into the sockets. They were put up and taken down every time the Jews traveled in the desert from one place to another. I don't know if they were painful to step on barefoot.

he Torah describes Betzalel and his helpers as CHACHAM LEV, which means wise of heart. That's odd. Hearts represent emotion, feeling and passion. Generally not wisdom or understanding. In the olden days, people stored their knowledge in their brains. Nowadays, people store it on their smartphones (that's why they're called SMART phones... duh!), or in the cloud. Why does the Torah call them wise of heart?

mhere's a lesson here. To truly master something, it's not just about how many little grey cells you've got. Having a high IQ might be helpful, but it's not the sole determinant of your accomplishment. Betzalel and his companions were chacham lev, wise of heart, because their understanding was a product of their intense drive and desire to accomplish and understand. They really, really,

go on, flip it over...

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thanks... good move

really wanted to understand. They worked at it. They drove themselves to accomplish.

This is how we succeed in what we want to accomplish in life. We've all got some skills that God, in His kindness has given us. In order to master those skills, to rise to the top of our game in any endeavor, we have to work hard and put our HEART into it. Then you ARE "The Special."



WE DID IT! 4 THE CHILDREN!

Thanks to our generous matchers, dedicated volunteers and hundreds of donors, we raised \$100,000 in just a day and a half. Your job is done for now but ours is just beginning.

We're going to use this scholarship fund to help the excitement of Nageela reach even more children!



Awesometastic birthday wishes to Nageela family members celebrating their birthdays:

Sara Locker
Akiva Gross

Nuni Piriyeva Panina Rast



WHAT AN AMAZING EVENT!

Thank you to the following community members and Nageela alumni who took the court for us. Thanks for the

fun, exciting playing!
Gabe Hafter
Judah Hafter
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Thanks to our dedicated volunteers. Special thanks to Renee Goldman for really making the event possible!

All Las Vegas kids R invited to a

NAGEELA MUSICAL HAVDALLAH

Saturday, March 2nd 7:15-8:15pm with Nageela staff: Avromie & Sam, & Rabbt Locker a) the Golmans, 1421 Country Hollow