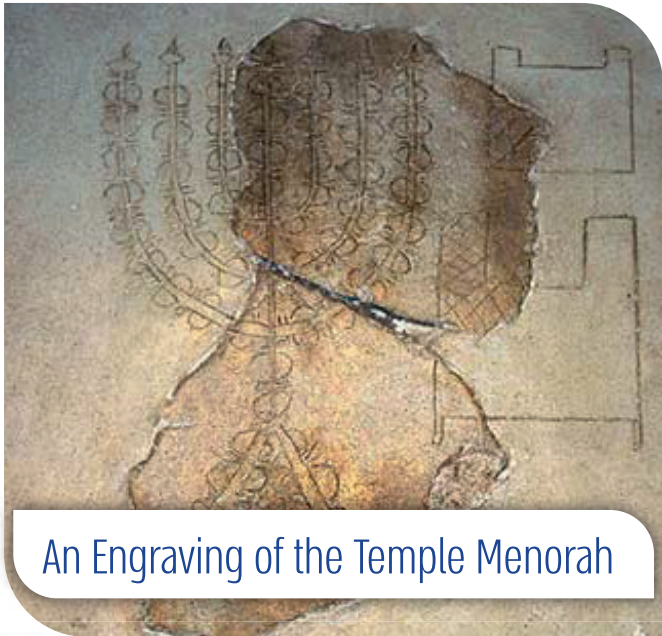




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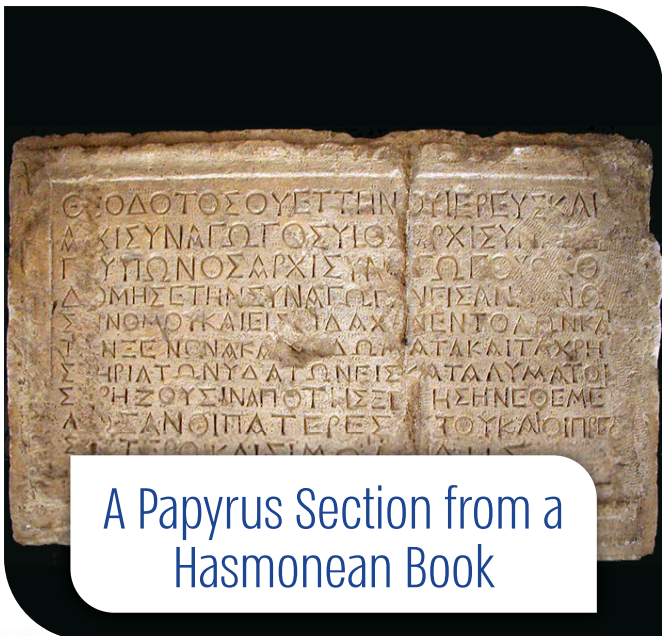
Tahor LaHashem Seal



An Engraving of the Temple Menorah



Hasmonean Coin



A Papyrus Section from a
Hasmonean Book





The Greeks enter the Temple. They bring idols and pigs into the Temple. They plunder gold vessels and make all the pure oil jugs impure.



The Hasmoneans entered the Temple in order to purify it, and search for a jug of pure oil that has the High Priest's seal



The Hasmoneans find a jug of pure olive oil. But the jug is only small. The amount of oil is enough to light the Menorah for only one day. The Hasmoneans light the Menorah. A miracle happened. The Menorah was alight not only for one day, but for eight days!



The first Hasmonean leader who minted a coin was Yehonatan Horkenus



The Greeks succeeded in integrating the Greek culture into the Jewish population. Jewish people changed their names, clothing and customs due to the Greek influence.

