

Yechaveh Da'as Comments on Custom of Cutting Hair at Age 3

Yechaveh Da'as, chelek 5, siman 35, page 163, discusses the source of 1) waiting till a son is 3 years old for his first hair cut, and 2) to make that haircut a big simcha, and 3) to do that first haircut on chol hamoed, and 4) to visit the graves of tzadikim, and 5) particularly on Har Meron at Shimon Bar Yochai's grave. The first written description of anyone doing his son's first haircut on Har Meron is by the Arizal's student writing that Arizal once did it when he (Arizal) first arrived in Israel from Egypt. **Yechaveh Da'as** details **Shimon bar Yochai's** historical connection to Rabbi Akiva and Lag B'omer.