



## PARSHAS LECH LECHA

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וַיֵּצֵא אֹתוֹ הַחוּצָה וַיֹּאמֶר הַבְּטִינָה הַשָּׁמַיְמָה וְסַפֵּר הַכּוֹכָבִים  
אִם-תּוּכַל לִסְפֹּר אֹתָם וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ כִּהַּ יְהִיֶּה זְרַעְךָ:  
"AND [HASHEM] TOOK HIM OUTSIDE AND HE SAID TO HIM, LOOK UP, PLEASE, AT THE HEAVENS AND COUNT THE STARS, IF YOU CAN COUNT THEM. AND HE SAID TO HIM, SO, TOO, WILL BE YOUR DESCENDANTS." (Beriehsis 15:5)

The Baal Shem Tov explained that the descendants of Avraham are like stars. We know there are 100 billion stars in our galaxy. We have never reached close to those numbers. What did Hashem mean?

We see the stars from a great distance and they appear to be a tiny speck in the sky but in the heavens they are gigantic. So, too, in this world many people look very small. Many people feel very small, but in reality every person has a neshama, a soul and has unlimited potential and abilities. Every person has greatness within him.

When you look at another person realize that he is a star. He might seem small to you and might appear to have not accomplished very much. Gain an awareness of the great potential of each person. View each person as an entire world, as an enormous being in the cosmos. When you see people in this light you will behave towards them with great respect. When you show others respect they will gain greater respect for themselves. This can give a person the encouragement he needs to live up to his potential greatness.

This attitude is not just towards others but it is towards myself also. Every one of us is a star. Every one of us is bigger than the sun. I matter, and in the heavens Hashem sees me for the tremendous person I can become. When I realize the greatness within myself I will make different choices and live life on a different plane.

## ZMANIM

**Fri Erev Shabbos, Parshas Lech Lecha Nov 4**  
**Shacharis 7 AM**  
**Mincha 5:40 PM CL 5:39 PM**

**Shabbos, Parshas Lech Lecha Nov 5**  
**Shacharis 8:45 AM**  
**Mincha 5:20 PM**  
**Shabbos is over 6:46 PM**  
**Change the clock back one hour at 2 AM**

**Sunday, Nov 6**  
**Shacharis 8:30 AM**  
**Mincha 4:35 PM**

**Mon -Thurs, Nov 7-10**  
**Shacharis 7 AM**  
**Mincha 4:35 PM**

**Fri Erev Shabbos, Parshas Vayera Nov 11**  
**Shacharis 7 AM**  
**Mincha 4:30 PM CL 4:30 PM**

The Chidushei Harim who was the Rebbe of Gur called in his grandson the Sefas Emes to let him know that he will be taking over the Hassidus. The Sefas Emes was only 19 years old at the time. He looked at his grandfather and told him, you are so great, so righteous how could I be worthy of such a position? His grandfather explained that there was once a mountain climber who went through Europe climbing the highest mountains. There was one mountain that took him over a week of painstaking effort for every step he made. When he got to the top of the mountain he saw a child who came to greet him. "How did you get up here?" the climber asked the child? "I was born here", answered the child.

For this week, take out a moment every day to contemplate the greatness that lies within ourselves. This will allow us to strive for greater purpose and meaning in our lives!

Have an awesome Shabbos!  
Rabbi Kalatsky

# HALACHIC INSIGHT

**Halachos of a belch:**  
**the blech is divided into three areas:**  
 directly above the flame, the area near the flame where the food can reach yad soledes bo, and the perimeter of the blech where the food can not be heated to yad soledes bo. Each area has different halachos. Fully cooked food which were not on the blech before shabbos can not be placed over the flame on the section if the blech where they can reach yad soledes bo, since this area can be used for cooking. Even though there is a halacha of אין בישול אחר בישול This is a prohibition mederabbanan called Nesinah Lechatchila (placing cooked foods directly onto a blech).  
 Foods that were left on the perimeter of the blech not in the yad soledes area can not be moved closer on shabbos where they can reach the heat of yad soledes bo. fully cooked food left within the yad soledes area of the blech at the onset of shabbos, may be moved directly over the flame part of the blech.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



# CLASSES



- Wednesdays 10am** - Mesilas Yesharim (R. Kalatsky)
- Thursdays 8pm**- Jewish Concepts (R. Kalatsky)
- Thursdays 9:15pm** - Mishmar (R. Kalatasky)
- Shabbos 8:15am** - Parenting (John Ghermezian)
- Shabbos Daf Yomi** - 1 hour before Mincha (Zevi Segal)
- Shabbos Nesivos Shalom** - 50 minutes before Mincha - (Sender Russel)
- Shuir on Inyanei Shabbos** - 15 minutes before Mincha - (R. Kalatsky)

# MAZEL TOV!!

Mazel Tov to Rabbi & Mrs. Moshe & Shoshana Zeffren on the birth of their son. Mazel Tov to the entire family. May he grow to Torah, Chupa, and Ma'asim Tovim. Kehila is invited to the shallom zachar this Friday at 8:15pm at the home of Avromi Roberts

Mazel tov to Mia Ida Wolfe on her bas mitzvah!  
 Mazel tov to Yarden and Jill Wolfe and the grandparents Marvin and Nira Wolfe and Carol Rosenblat!  
 May the family only see machas from Mia and the entire mishpacha

# ERUV UPKEEP CAMPAIGN

# COMMUNITY NEWS

ELECTION DAY is this week! Everyone is encouraged to get out and vote in the upcoming elections. We have heard from some that there's no reason to vote because their vote will make no difference. This is wrong for many reasons

1. The races for Governor, Attorney General, US House Representative and Hennepin County Attorney impact our Community, some greatly so, and some of these races ARE close and every vote counts

Case in point: Ilhan Omar was considered a shoe-in to win her primary, yet only squeaked by by one to two percentage points. There are districts all over the country that have until now been considered untouchable yet are currently flipping parties.

Politicians look carefully to see who votes, and they take note if our community overwhelmingly votes. This has political repercussions regardless of who wins.

Early voting is taking place right now at St Louis Park City Hall, weekdays from 8 - 4:30. Election Day is November 8th. Please vote for the candidate that you feel will represent our Community the best.

If anyone has a dead battery in their car or needs an air compressor for their tire of their car, Chaveirim has provided a jump pack/air compressor available for community use. Feel free to use it, but please make sure to return to its place immediately after use. They are located in the coat rooms of KI, Bais Yisroel, and Kollel. You can always try calling Chaveirim directly as well at **612-930-3901** or email at **Chaveirimminneapolis@gmail.com**

## KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Yarden and Jill Wolfe in honor of their daughter Mia Ida's Bas Mitzvah

Shalosh Seudos - no sponsor this week

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