



PARSHAS VAYIGASH

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky
December 30, 22 | 6 Teves, 5783



“AND YOSEF SAID TO HIS BROTHERS, I AM YOSEF.” (Bereishis 45:3)

The Chafetz Chaim commented the brothers had been puzzled and had many questions from the beginning when they first encountered Yosef who was pretending to be an Egyptian prince. He accused them of being spies and was asking so many peculiar questions and had so many puzzling demands. The brother's had so many unanswered questions about their experience. As soon as they heard, “I am Yosef” all their questions were answered. All the confusion and doubts were now clarified and everything made sense.

So too when the entire world will one day hear the words, “I am Hashem” all the questions and difficulties, all the questions about suffering and unfairness will be answered. Everything will be understood and clear. We will see how the hand of the Almighty was behind everything and it was all for the best.

When a person realizes there is a plan and purpose for all difficulties and hardships, it gives meaning to the situation and lessens the suffering. When I find meaning in the difficulties it minimizes the suffering and it is easier to deal with.

A person though does not have to wait until the messiah comes to be aware that there is a purpose behind everything that happens to him. Even if I can't know the exact meaning of what I am going through, the realization that there is purpose will enable me to handle the situation in a more positive, less stressful way.

For this week when something happens that is frustrating and upsetting take a moment and realize there is a purpose in what I am experiencing and this situation will allow me to become the best person I can be.

Have a powerful Shabbos!

Rabbi Kalatsky

ZMANIM

Fri Erev Shabbos, Parshas Vayigash Dec 30
Shacharis 7 AM
Mincha 4:25 PM CL 4:22 PM

Shabbos, Dec 31
Shacharis 8:45 AM
Mincha 4:10 PM
Shabbos is over 5:32 PM

Sunday, Jan 1
Shacharis 8:30 AM
Mincha 4:30 PM

Monday - Jan 2
Legal Holiday
Shacharis 8:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv 4:30 PM

Tuesday, Jan 3
Asara B'Teves
Fast begins - 6:39 AM
Shacharis - 7 AM
Mincha/Maariv 4:15 PM
Fast Ends - 5:30 PM

Wed- Thur, Jan 4- Jan 5
Shacharis - 7 AM
Mincha/Maariv 4:30 PM

Fri Erev Shabbos, Parshas Vayechi Jan 6
Shacharis 7 AM
Mincha 4:30 PM CL 4:29 PM

HALACHIC INSIGHT

Hatmanah:

Some materials actually have the ability to intensify the heat of an item that they enclose. These materials, including salt, sand, lime, and straw are known as *Davar Hamosef Hevel* (Heat intensifying substances) . It is forbidden without exception to insulate any container (even *kli sheini*) in such a material that adds heat, even *Erev Shabbos*. Although it is unusual nowadays to store food in any of the materials mentioned above, there are several common applications to this prohibition:

A pot wrapped in a towel and left on the blech or hot plate is considered to be insulated in a heat intensifying material because the towel combines with the heat from below to help raise the temperature of the pot. Therefore, it is forbidden to completely enwrap any pot left on the blech or hot plate, even *Erev Shabbos*.

Insulating a hot water urn with any ordinary wrapping is considered intensifying insulation because the wrapping helps raise the temperature of the water. accordingly, an urn may not be completely covered with any type of wrapping, even *Erev Shabbos*

MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Dr. Yoni & Gabi Reisman on the birth of their son. Mazel Tov to the entire family. May he grow to Torah, Chupa, and Ma'asim Tovim! *There will be a shalom zachor at the home of the Rav 4220 sunset blvd after 8:30 PM*

Mazel Tov to Berel & Tova Rochel Goldglancz on the engagement of their son Eli to Aliza Chaya Nordstrom from Patchogue, Long Island, NY! Mazel Tov to the entire family. May they be zoche to build a Bais Ne'eman B'yisroel .

Mazel Tov to Yisrael Meir & Chava Katz on the birth of their son! Mazel Tov to the grandparents Rabbi & Mrs. Yosef Heisler. Mazel Tov to the entire family. May he grow to Torah, Chupa, and Ma'asim Tovim.

SHIURIM



- Wednesdays 9am** - Mesilas Yesharim (R. Kalatsky)
- Thursdays 8pm**- Jewish Concepts (R. Kalatsky)
- Thursdays 9:15pm** – Mishmar (R. Kalatsky)
- 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 – (Rav Kalatsky)

SPONSOR ALERT

We will be getting 8 new custom bookshelves throughout the shul. 5 will be placed along the wall on the far side of the shul (where the stairs are) and 3 will be replacing the current ones that are housing the sefarim in the back. Some of the units have already been sponsored. Please reach out to Moshe Tabbouche or Rabbi Kalatsky if you would like to partake in sponsoring a shelving unit. Don't miss out on this special opportunity!



COMMUNITY NEWS

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FRIDAY NIGHT
 JANUARY 13TH, 2023
 4:40pm Mincha
 5:00pm Caribach Kabbalas Shabbos
 5:45pm Shabbos Suedah with Yehuda Green
 Kids participating throughout
 8:00pm Community-wide Oneg with Yehuda Green

SHABBOS MORNING
 JANUARY 14TH, 2023
 8:45am Shachris
 10:45am Mussaf with Yehuda Green

Save the Date
JANUARY 13-14, 2023
 SHABBOS SHEMOS

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER PRICES

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Kids ages 10 and under \$13	Kids ages 10 and under \$15

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 DISCIPLINE
 EMOTIONAL NEEDS
 BUILDING POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS
 BOUNDARIES
 OUT OF CONTROL BEHAVIOR

MONDAY EVENINGS 8:00PM - 9:00PM
 JANUARY 2, 9, 16, 31 (TUES)
 FEBRUARY 6, 13, 20 & 27

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