



## PARSHAS YISRO

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky  
February 10, 23 | 19 Shevat, 5783

וַיֹּאמֶר מֹשֶׁה לְחַתְנָו כִּי יָבֹא אֵלַי הָעָם לְדָרֹשׁ אֵלַי-יָם:  
"AND MOSHE SAID TO HIS FATHER IN LAW, THE  
PEOPLE COME TO ME AND SEEK HASHEM" (Shemos  
18:15)



The Midrash contrasts the actions of Moshe here with those of the Navi Shmuel generations later. Moshe told the people to come to him, as a result, Moshe had to walk to the burning bush to come close to the Almighty. Shmuel, on the other hand, went to the people, and therefore he merited that Hashem came to him.

Rabbi Chaim Shmuelevitz always used to comment that this Midrash teaches us an important lesson. One's closeness to Hashem depends on one's love for other people. By going to the people, Shmuel showed his unending concern and love for the people, therefore Hashem rewarded him by coming to him. (Moshe had his reasons why it was important for the people to come to him, but still he did not make that extra effort towards them.)

Where did Shmuel get his love for other people? The Midrash explains the garment his mother sewed for him was with him his entire life. This garment was made from the profound love his mother had for him. This love became such a part of Shmuel that it was manifested in his entire way of dealing with people.

This is a practical lesson for parents and caregivers. The love a parent shows a child throughout all stages in life, whether the absolute devotion of infancy or by being there for them in all situations, implants a deep feeling of being loved. When such a child grows older he will have love for others. Any small thing a parent does with love for his children will pay off great dividends. The greater the child becomes the more people will ultimately benefit from that love.

This week, let's go out of our way to be expressive and shower our children with love and nurturing. Let them foster the deep love we have for them and it will blossom in their own personality and increase their ability and desire to love others as they develop.

Have a lovely Shabbos!  
Rabbi Kalatsky

## ZMANIM

**Fri Erev Shabbos,  
Parshas Yisro Feb 10  
Shacharis 7 AM  
Mincha 5:20 PM CL 5:16 PM**

**Shabbos, Feb 11  
Shacharis 8:45 AM  
Mincha 5:00 PM  
Shabbos is over 6:26 PM**

**Sunday, Feb 12  
Shacharis 8:30 AM  
Mincha/Maariv 5:20 PM**

**Monday -Thursday,  
Feb 13-Feb 16  
Shacharis 7 AM  
Mincha/Maariv 5:20 PM**

**Fri Erev Shabbos,  
Parshas Mishpatim Feb 17  
Shacharis 7 AM  
Mincha 5:30 PM CL 5:26 PM**

# HALACHIC INSIGHT

THE TERM BORER (SORTING) NATURALLY APPLIES ONLY TO A MIXTURE OF DIFFERENT ELEMENTS. WHAT CONSTITUTES DIFFERENT ELEMENTS? IN THE CASE OF FOOD, A MIXTURE CAN BE COMPOSED OF FOOD AND WASTE MATERIAL OF TWO DIFFERENT TYPES OF FOOD. FOR EXAMPLE, IF A FOOD ITEM IS MIXED WITH WASTE MATERIAL (DIRT, PITS, BONES, SHELLS ETC.) SEPARATING THE FOREIGN MATTER FROM THE FOOD IS AN ACT OF BORER. THUS, SIFTING OR STRAINING FOOD TO REMOVE UNWANTED MATTER IS FORBIDDEN UNDER THE MELACHA.

REMOVING THE WASTE MATERIAL BY HAND IS EQUALLY PROHIBITED..

OTHER ACTIVITIES THAT CAN INVOLVE BORER IN CERTAIN INSTANCES IS; PEELING FRUIT, VEGETABLES, OR EGGS AND SHELLING NUTS. IN ALL THESE CASES ONE SEPARATES THE UNWANTED PEEL FROM THE DESIRED FOOD.

WE WILL LEARN THE PROPER, PERMISSIBLE METHODS OF PREPARING THESE ITEMS AS WE GO THROUGH THE LAWS OF THIS MELACHA.

*Mazel Tov!*

Mazel Tov to Zevi & Aviva Segal on the birth of their daughter Rikki (Rivka Raizel)!

Mazel Tov to the grandparents Rabbi Albert & Chaya Miller. Mazel Tov to the entire family. May she grow to Torah, Chupa, and Ma'asim Tovim!

Mazel Tov Rabbi Avigdor & Shaynie Goldberger on the birth of their son! Mazel Tov to the entire family. May he grow to Torah Chupa, and Ma'asim Tovim. Bris will take place on Friday morning.

## 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)

### Baruch Dayan Ha'Emes.

The Kehilla is saddened by the passing of Mr. Morrie Leiberman, Moshe Yisachar ben Yisrael Yitzchak a"h, who was Niftar this week and brought to Kevura in Eretz Yisrael.

Morrie did not have a family and it would be a tremendous chesed shel emes to take something on in ruchniyus as an aliyah for his nemshama.

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


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