

KI BULLETIN



PARSHAS LECH LECHA

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"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." (Bereshis 15:5)

אתיקשולי ויוצא אתו החוצה ויאמר הבטיח השם
וספר הכוכבים אמיתות לכל ספר אתם ויאמר לו כה יהיה
דרכך.

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.

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 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

ZMANIM

Friday Erev Shabbos Parshas Lech Lecha-Oct 27

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha 5:55 PM CL 5:51 PM

Shabbos Parshas Lech Lecha Oct 28

Shacharis 8:45 AM

Mincha 5:40 PM

Shabbos over 6:58 PM

Sunday Oct 29

Shacharis 8:30 AM

Mincha/Maariv 5:45 PM

Mon-Thurs Oct 30-Nov 2

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha/Maariv 5:45 PM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Vayera Nov 3

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha 5:45, CL 5:40 PM

COMMUNITY NEWS

KI EMERGENCY REPAIR CAMPAIGN

We would like to ask everyone to please help towards the repairs needed for the Shul.

We need to dig up and fix pipes and get the boiler air compressor working.

Expected combined repairs are over \$18,000.

If everyone can give \$15.00- \$20.00 dollars a month we would be able to cover most of our expenses. If you are able to give \$500 or \$1000 it would all be greatly appreciated!



**Sunday morning learning seder
for men**

October 29 at KI

*AS A Z'CHUS FOR OUR BROTHERS
AND SISTERS IN ISRAEL.*

*SHACHRIS IS 8:30 FOLLOWED BY
BREAKFAST. LEARNING AT 9:30.*

The KI Kids hotline is up and running!!

**Number:
718-508-9028**

**** remember to press 1 right after**

You can email/text up until **THURSDAY NIGHT**

Email: rivkaengelson@gmail.com

Text: 612-685-2045



Nightly conference
call for WOMEN
as a zechus/merit
for Eretz Yisrael.

Nightly @ 9:30 pm.

Friday mornings @ 9:30 am.

Conference call:

DIAL-IN NUMBER: 1-971-224-6611

Conference Code: 694613#

HALACHIC INSIGHT

One of the avos melachos with many applications in the kitchen is kneading (lisha). Kneading is defined as binding together small particles like flour, by means of a binding agent like water to form one mass. The melacha of kneading also applies to kneading non food items such as clay; however our discussion will center on foods.

The primary example of the melacha is kneading flour with water to form a dough. Other applications of this prohibition are mixing baby cereal with milk to form a mass, and mixing eggs or tuna with oil to form egg salad or tuna salad. Another example can be making instant oatmeal with the water and the oatmeal creating a mass. There can also be other problems like bishul when making oatmeal. This issur is not limited to kneading, but also forbids any similar activity which unites small particles into a body. Thus, stirring or beating food particles into one body with an added liquid is also assur.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by the Lyubeznik family in honor of Binyomin Moshe's Bar Mitzvah.

Shalosh seudos sponsorship is still available.



MAZEL TOV



Mazel tov to Gennady and Vera Lyubeznik on the bar mitzvah of their son Binyomin! Mazel tov to the entire mishpacha!

Mazel tov to David Oman on his upcoming marriage to Tami Drutman!

Mazel tov to Zev and Tzipporah Oman and the Drutman family! May the zivug be oleh be'shaah tova oomootzlachas.



SHIURIM



Wednesdays 9am - Mesilas Yesarim (R. Kalatsky)

Thursdays 8pm - Jewish Concepts (R. Kalatsky)

Thursdays 9:15pm - Mishmar (R. Kalatsky)

Shabbos 8:15am - Parenting (John Ghermezian)

Shabbos-New Relevant Halacha Shailos with Rabbi Kalatsky 15 minutes before mincha

Shabbos Daf Yomi - 1 hour before Mincha (Zevi Segal)

Shabbos Nesivos Shalom - 50 minutes before Mincha - (Sender Russel)

Awareness Training and a Safety Update from Law Enforcement.

With the current situation triggering an increase in antisemitic outbursts, locally and nationally, we felt it was time for some important safety tips and reminders.

This Tuesday night, we invite the men and women of our local Jewish community to get together for safety tips, reminders, awareness training, and an update from our local Law Enforcement leadership.

DATE: Tuesday, October 31st

TIME: 7:00 PM

PLACE: Torah Academy Gym

PROGRAM: 7:00-8:15 PM Awareness training basics and law enforcement update.

Understanding schedule limitations, we will try and get the basics covered by 7:45 PM, with the balance of the training ending around 8:15PM.

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