



PARSHAS VAYETZEI

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky
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He had a dream; a stairway was set on the ground and its top reached to the sky, and messengers of God were going up and down on it

וַיְחַלֵּם וְהִנֵּה סֹלֶם מֵצֶבֶת אֶרֶצָה וְרִאשׁוֹ מְגִיעַ הַשָּׁמַיִם וְהִנֵּה מַלְאָכֵי
אֱלֹהִים עֹלִים וְיֹרְדִים בּוֹ:



The Chafetz Chaim, citing many commentators, expresses the idea that the ladder Yaakov saw in his dream symbolizes the situation of every person in this world. There are two actions a person performs on a ladder. Either he goes from the bottom to the top, or else he goes from top to bottom. Each day in a person's life he faces new challenges. If he has the will power and self-discipline to overcome those challenges, he goes up in his spiritual level. If, however, a person fails to exercise the necessary self-control, he lowers himself. This is our daily task, to climb higher every day.

There is no standing in one place. When challenges arise, you will both behave in an elevated manner and grow from the experience or you will fall. Let's learn to appreciate the daily challenges of life that face us. Every difficulty is a means of elevating ourselves. Every time one overcomes a negative impulse he grows as a person. Additionally, just as a person climbing a ladder feels his progress with each step, so too with daily victories over our negative emotions we will feel we are accomplishing and it will give us the motivation to continue.

Rabbi Yisrael Salanter used to say that a person is like a bird. A bird has the ability to fly very high, but it must continually move its wings. If a bird stops flapping its wings, it will fall. People are the same way.

Next time you see a bird flying, let it serve as a reminder to flap your spiritual wings and soar!

Have an uplifting Shabbos!

Rabbi Kalatsky

ZMANIM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Vayetzei Nov 24th

Shacharis 7 AM
Mincha 4:25 PM, CL 4:19 PM

Shabbos Nov 25th

Shacharis 8:45 AM
Mincha 4:10 PM
Shabbos over 5:28 PM

Sunday Nov 26th

Shacharis 8:30 AM
Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM

Mon-Thurs Nov 27th- 30th

Shachris 7 AM
Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Vayishlach December 1st

Shacharis 7 AM
Mincha 4:20, CL 4:15 PM

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with
Rabbi Shippel

Rabbi Yonason Shippel started his career in Kiruv in Cape Town, South Africa, where he founded and directed the Ohr Somayach Kollel. In 2005 Rabbi Shippel moved to New York, and became a partner in Gateways, a major Kiruv organization. Rabbi Shippel is now the Director of the James Striar Yeshiva program which is a university undergraduate program for young men who have no formal background in Torah learning or Hebrew language. He is an internationally known speaker whose wit, depth and passion have inspired thousands!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

4:15PM Mincha
5:30PM Dinner
7:15PM Class by Rabbi Shippel
8:00PM Viennese Table

SHABBOS, DEC 2ND

8:45AM Shacharis
3:30PM Class by Rabbi Shippel
4:00PM Mincha
Rabbi Shippel will speak at shalosh suedah

FRIDAY NIGHT DINNER PRICES

Members:
Adults: \$25
Children 13+ \$20
Children 10 and under: \$13

Non-members:
Adults: \$29
Children 13+ \$24
Children 10 and under: \$15

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of West Hempstead, NY,
formerly of Miami Boys Choir
will be joining us for Shabbos

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HALACHIC INSIGHT

It is forbidden to use a bar of soap on shabbo. Liquid soaps may be used; however to abide by a stricter opinion, one should add water to the soap so that it is very fluid.

It is forbidden to spread any ointment or cream over a part of the body, or to spread it on a cloth which will be applied afterward. However, one may dab the ointment on several spots close together, and cover it with a cloth or a diaper, allowing it to spread itself. This procedure must be followed when diapering a baby.

It is praiseworthy to avoid spreading icing, egg salad and tuna salad to make it more presentable.

It is permissible to spread butter, cream cheese, jelly or any other food substance onto bread as long as you don't want the surface to be smoothed out.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored anonymously
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KI KID'S CORNER

Remember to tell
your kids to call the
hotline so they can
participate in this
week's Derech Eretz
challenge!





SHIURIM



Wednesdays 9am - Mesilas Yescharim (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)

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