

KI BULLETIN



PARSHAS VAYISHLACH

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky
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וַיֵּתֶר יַעֲקֹב לְבַדּוֹ וַיֵּאֲבֹק אִישׁ עִמּוֹ עַד עֵלּוֹת הַשְּׁחָר
AND YAAKOV REMAINED ALONE." (Bereishis 32:25)"



The Chachamim explain that Yaakov remained behind to retrieve some small flasks. From here, say the sages, we see the principle that for the righteous their possessions are dearer to them than their bodies (since Yaakov placed himself in danger to retrieve his possessions).

The reason for this says the Ari, z.l., is that the righteous realize if Hashem gave them something, it is important for them to have it. If it were not necessary for their total welfare, Hashem would not have given it to them. Therefore, they do whatever they can not to lose what they were given.

With this understanding, we will gain a greater appreciation for what we have. The more you need something the more you will appreciate it. When you are aware that all you have is measured out by the Almighty, you will have a profound sense of gratitude. The positive feelings of ownership will be much greater than what is felt by those lacking this awareness.

Rabbi Yeruchem Levovitz cites the story of a philosopher who wished to be satisfied with the least amount of possessions possible. After thinking it over he gave up everything he owned and kept only a pump to draw water from wells. Once he was walking and saw a caravan of people who stopped by a well and drank directly from the well with no pump or cup. The philosopher said to himself, "Now I see I don't even need the pump." He immediately threw it away, his only remaining possession. We learn from Yaakov otherwise. The spirit of the Torah is not to have nothing, but to have a deep appreciation for whatever I do have.

For this week let us take a minute a day to contemplate and be appreciative for all the good in our lives.

Have an extraordinary Shabbos!

Rabbi Kalatsky

ZMANIM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Vayishlach Dec 1st

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha 4:15 PM, CL 4:15 PM

Shabbos Dec 2nd

Shacharis 8:45 AM

Mincha 4:00 PM

Shabbos over 5:24 PM

Sunday Dec 3rd

Shacharis 8:30 AM

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM

Mon-Thurs Dec 4th-7th

Shachris 7 AM

Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM

*Thursday night First night
Chanuka*

Fri Erev Shabbos

Chanuka Parshas

Vayeshev Dec 8th

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha 4:20, CL 4:13 PM

COMMUNITY NEWS



SHABBOS OF UNITY



*with
Rabbi
Shippel*

Plus!
Tzvi Schwartz
Singer from West Hempstead, NY,
formerly of Miami Boys Choir

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

4:15PM Mincha

5:30PM Dinner (*Reservation Required*)

<< *Childrens' seudah & programming by Rabbi & Mrs. Bitterman throughout* >>

7:15PM Class by Rabbi Shippel

<< *Magic show by Nachshon for kids during the class* >>

8:00PM Oneg

SHABBOS, DEC 2ND

8:45AM Shacharis

3:30PM Class by Rabbi Shippel

4:00PM Mincha

Rabbi Shippel will speak at Shalosh Seudos

CONGREGATION BAIS YISROEL AND KI PRESENT



**CHANUKAH
FAMILY NIGHT AT
nickelodeon
UNIVERSE**

MALL OF AMERICA

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT
DECEMBER 13TH 6:00-8:00PM
7TH NIGHT OF CHANUKAH**

\$9 WRISTBAND

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THE MINNEAPOLIS EIRUV PROJECT

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כולל ליל שבת
NIGHT
BETWEEN 8-10 PM AT THE KOLLEL
KOLLEL**

WEEK THREE

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ועדכון חמשה עשר ליל שבת

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SERVED

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HOUR FOR 9 OF 13 WEEKS,
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12.5.23
CHICAGO
MEN'S LEARNING TRIP

Photo of several men in suits and hats standing at podiums in front of the Chicago skyline.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored in honor of
Chosson Torah and Chosson Bereishis by
the Rav and Dr. Joey Greenberg.

Shalosh seudos this week is still available





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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