



PARSHAS SHEMOS

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הַעֲתִירוּ אֵלַי-הִנֵּה יְרֵב מִהֵיט קֶלֶת אֶ-לֵהִים וְבָרַד וְאִשְׁלַחָה אֶתְכֶם וְלֹא תִסָּפֹן
לְעַמִּד:
ENTREAT HASHEM THAT THERE BE NO MORE MIGHTY THUNDERINGS AND
HAIL; AND I WILL LET YOU GO, AND YOU SHALL STAY NO LONGER. (Shemos
9:28)



Rabbi Yeruchem Levovitz commented that Pharaoh did not mean to lie when he said he will let the Jews go free. He truly meant it and was not mocking Moshe. The intensity of the plague caused him to truly change. Right after though he reverted back to himself and did not feel the statement he made about freeing the Jews was binding.

This is a general habit of people. When a person is in the midst of difficulty and hardship his ideals can become very high and he truly wants to achieve them. As soon as the situation becomes better though he reverts back to his old self and it is hard to believe it was the same person.

When a person finds himself in a difficult situation and wants to truly change for the better, remember those promises and resolutions when the situation becomes better. It is so easy to forget your previous insights and awareness when everything returns to normal. Grow from difficulty and focus on internalizing and actualizing the resolutions and insights that came out of them.

For this week think of a resolution taken on that has fallen to the wayside and restart the journey!

Have a powerful Shabbos!
Rabbi Kalatsky

ZMANIM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas

Shemos Jan 5

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha 4:30, CL 4:28 PM

Shabbos Jan 6

Shacharis 8:45 AM

Mincha 4:15 PM

Shabbos over 5:38 PM

Sunday Jan 7

Shacharis 8:30 AM

Mincha/Maariv 4:35 PM

Mon - Thurs Jan 8-11

Shachris 7 AM

Mincha/Maariv 4:35 PM

Fri Erev Shabbos

Parshas Vaera Jan 12

Shacharis 7 AM

Mincha 4:35 PM, CL 4:35 PM

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 Nightly, S-Th Time TBD
 in the Kollel

Beginning Sunday, Jan. 21st
 with סיון רב - ברכת הפירות

Please contact Rabbi Kulefsky (917-533-1283) for more info and to join

HALACHA

The Zohar writes that women must light the Shabbos candles with heartfelt joy and enthusiasm, for this mitzvah is a supreme honor for her and a way for her to earn G-d fearing sons who will illuminate the world with their Torah and fear of Heaven. Through this mitzvah, she also causes her husband to merit a long life. She should therefore be particularly meticulous in the performance of the mitzvah.

If possible, the woman should be dressed in her Shabbos clothing when she lights the candles. However, if she is running late, it is preferable that she light the candles in her weekday clothing rather than don her Shabbos clothes and risk desecrating the Shabbos by lighting too late chas ve'shalom.

It is customary for women to give some tzedakah before lighting the candles.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week sponsored by Alina and Alexander Portnoy in honor of the wedding of Abby and Eli Hirsch.

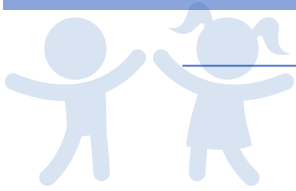
Shalosh seudos sponsorship still available.



MAZEL TOV

Mazel Tov to Alex and Alina Portnoy on the upcoming marriage of Abby to Eli Hirsch.

May they be zoche to build a bayis ne'eman B'Yisrael



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)

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