

PARSHAS BESHALACH

Rav Mordechai Kalatsky January 26, 2024 | 16th Shevat, 5784

וַיְּבֹאָו אֵילֹמָה וְשָׁם שְׁתֵּיִם עֲשְׂרֵה עֵינֹת מֵיִם וְשָׁבְעָיִם תְּמָרְיֵם וַיֵּחֲנוּ־שָׁם אַל־הַמֵּיִם: "AND THEY CAME TO EILIM, AND THERE WERE TWELVE SPRINGS OF WATER, AND SEVENTY PALM TREES, AND THEY ENCAMPED BY THE WATER." (Shemos 15:27)



The Children of Israel came to Eilim from Marah. At Marah, they were unable to drink the water because it was bitter. Shortly after they left Marah they reached Eilim where they had plenty of water. For this reason, they were in Marah for only one day while they stayed in Eilim twenty days. (Ibn Ezra)

The Chafetz Chaim used this episode to demonstrate people's limited vision. If the Jews would have been aware that they would soon have water in Eilim, they would not have been worried; there would have been no reason to complain in Marah about the lack of water. If they would have been a bit more patient they would have had plenty of water.

So it is with all of us, said the Chafetz Chaim, our inability to see even the immediate future creates all sorts of worry. This limitation can also cause people to fret about things not being as they wish, as they feel there is always something they are missing. Often, however, the things that people worry about turn out much better than they imagined.

The best antidote for worrying about the future is past experience. When a person is aware of how often things they worried about turned out better than expected, they will have a much more patient attitude. "Let's wait and see." Without this experience people suffer needlessly by assuming they will suffer in the future. As a result, they suffer in the present even if it ends up working out. Let's not cause ourselves stress by assuming the worst. We should instead develop greater trust in Hashem and master the ability to be patient.

This week, let's take a stressful situation in our lives and adopt a "wait and see" approach. Let's tell ourselves that we can have plenty of stress when it doesn't work out. As for now, let's work towards having a positive attitude; most likely, things will turn out for the best.

Have a peaceful Shabbos!

Rabbi Mordechai Kalatsky

ZMANIM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Beshalach Jan 26 Shacharis 7 AM Mincha 4:55, CL 4:54 PM

Shabbos Jan 27th Shacharis 8:45 AM Mincha 4:40 PM

Shabbos over 6:04 PM

<u>Sunday Jan 28th</u> Shacharis 8:30 AM Mincha/Maariv 5 PM

<u>Mon-Thurs Jan 29th-</u> <u>Feb 1st</u> Shacharis 7 AM Mincha/Maariv 5 PM

Fri Erev Shabbos Parshas Yisro Feb 2 Shacharis 7 AM Mincha 5:05, CL 5:04 PM

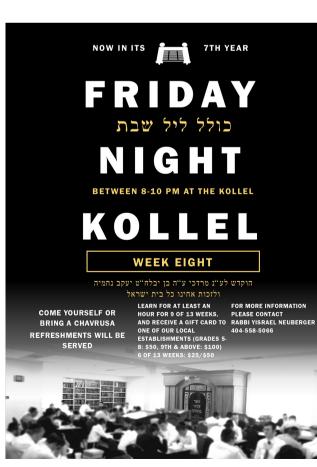
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PARASHAS MISHPATIM Rosh Chodesh Adar Alef

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

5:15PM Mincha 5:30pm Kabbalas Shabbos 6:30 Shabbos Seudah << Childrens' programming throughout the dinner >>





HALACHA

One should beautify the mitzvah of kiddush by using a beautiful cup.

Some have the minhag to use silver cup.

A disposable cup should not be used unless no other cup is available.

In the event one does not have any type of cup, one may recite kiddush on a bottle of wine.

The cup used for kiddush should be intact with no cracks or holes. The rim should not have any chips. If the base of the cup is slightly broken it should not be used for kiddush.

If a cup without a defect is not obtainable, a damaged one may be used as long as it holds a reviius of wine.

KIDDUSH

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MAZEL TOV



Mazel Tov to Slava and Leslie Goldstein on the naming of their baby, Esther Tova, may they only have Nachas from her in every way!

Mazel Tov to Avinoam Singer, son of Neal and Jill Singer, on the completion of his PhD in the Biological Sciences at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



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



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-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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