

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת וישב

- הדלקת נרות 4:09

December 12, 2014

כ' כסלו תשע"ה

ערב שבת פרשת וישב

Candlelighting	4:09
Mincha	4:15
Shkiah	4:27

שבת פרשת וישב

Hashkama	7:30
Daf Yomi	8:00
Shacharis	8:45
Sof Zman K"Sh	9:31
Halacha Shiur	3:15
Mincha	4:00
Shkiah	4:28
Maariv	5:12

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 12/14-12/19

Shacharis

Sunday	7:45, 8:30
Mon, Weds, Thurs, Fri	6:20, 7:45, 8:30
Tues	6:30, 7:45, 8:30

Mincha Maariv

Sunday-Thurs **4:15**

Second Maariv

Mon-Thurs **8:00**

NEXT SHABBOS

פרשת מקץ-חנוכה

Mincha	3:00
Mincha	4:10
Candlelighting	4:11
Shkiah	4:29

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is co-sponsored by Steve and Noga Romer celebrating the birth of their granddaughter, and by Max Rubinstein and Faige Weber in memory of their father Rav Shmuel Moshe ben Yehudah.

שלישית סעודה is sponsored by Yossie Deutsch commemorating the yartzheit of his mother Dubba bas Zalman Pinchas Hacoen.

BNOS every Shabbos from 2:30-3:30 for girls grades Kindergarten through 7th grade.

Join us for an **Oneg Shabbos** at the home of Arthur and Shirley Landau, 77 College Road **THIS Friday night, Parshas Vayeshev at 8 PM**. Rabbi Gottlieb will speak about Chanukah. All are invited to attend.

Avos U'Banim Motzaei Shabbos at 6:30PM- Learning, pizza and prizes!!! This week is sponsored by Allen and Miriam Nussbaum . Sponsorships are available for \$50 per week email Jonathan Rosenstock Jonathan.Rosenstock@yahoo.com.

Rabbi Frand's Thursday shiur via the TCN network is Thursday nights at **9pm**, and **Rabbi Reisman's** shiur is Motzaei Shabbos at **7:30PM**.

THIS Motzaei Shabbos Bais Torah and Lema'an Achai are proud to present **Rav Ron Yitzchok Eisenman**, popular columnist for Mishpacha Magazine (Shul with a View) and Rabbi Avrohom Leventhal on **Motzaei Shabbos Parshas Vayeshev, December 13 at 8:30pm**. Rav Eisenman will speak on the subject: "**When Human Dignity and Halacha CLASH.**" All are invited to attend.

The next **Birthdays & Anniversary Kiddush**, honoring those who are celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries in December and January is **Shabbos Chanukah Parshas Miketz December 20**. Sponsorship is \$18 per name or couple. Celebrate with your Bais Torah Family and help support our weekly Kiddush! **Deadline to join is THIS MONDAY, December 15**, please contact Aviva at BaisTorah@gmail.com.

The Project Inspire Night of Inspiration was a great success! As a follow up Bais Torah presents Project Inspire's Rabbi Aryeh Royde who will conduct a Kiruv Training, Coaching and Guidance Session to help with the Do's and Don'ts and demystification of connecting with other Jews. Motzaei Shabbos January 3rd at 8:30 PM.

SAVE THE DATE: Motzaei Shabbos January 17th at 8:30 PM Bais Torah presents a lecture by Kenny Jacobson, Deputy National Director of ADL, more details to follow.

MAZAL TOV

Michael and Leni Loebenstein on the birth of a great grandson born to their grandchildren Avi and Mazal Stern of Flushing.

Steve and Noga Romer on the birth of a granddaughter, Rivka Malka, born to their children Ronnie and Shelly Rosenbaum.

Edwin and Ruth Levi on the bar mitzvah of their grandson Gavriel, son of Danny and Miriam Levi.

Manny Mayerfeld on the birth of a great-granddaughter, born to his grandchildren, Ari and Shoshana Loeb of Detroit, children of Uri and Esther Mayerfeld.

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grandson-
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה
Rosalie Kallner
שיינה רחל בת שרה הודל
Henry Shapiro-
חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה
Bob Schore -
חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית
Larry Seligson אריה לייב בן רבקה
Larry Seligson's son-
רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל
Manny Mayerfeld
מנחם בן קילה
פנחס ליאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא
Helen Furman חנה בת תמרה
Andy Yurowitz אליהו זבי בן חנה
Fran and Ben Horwitz's son inlaw
משה צבי בן פריידא שמחה
Allen Nussbaum אשר בן קילה
Laurence and Gloria Gordon's daughter in law

שלמית בת מיריל
Shira Steinberg שירה רות בת שרה

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** afternoon 30 minutes before the halacha shiur

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi
Rabbi Avromy Fein
8:30 AM Gemara Misesches Pesachim
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Sun-Thurs:

10:00 AM Daf Yomi
Rabbi Yosef Fischer

Mon-Friday

5:25 AM Daf Yomi I
Rabbi Avromy Fein
7:00 AM Daf Yomi II
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb
8:25 AM Chumash Shiur
Rabbi Yosef Fischer
9:45 AM Gemara Shiur
Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Tuesday

ON HIATUS Chumash Shiur
Dr. Yehuda Eliezeri

Wednesday

8:15PM Shmuel Aleph
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:15 Women's Mishnayos
Dr. Debbie Raice Fox

Parashas Vayeshev-

HaShem's Mysterious "Hashgachah," Guidance of History

Yoseph and his brothers did not have the greatest relationship. Given that fact, it is puzzling, to say the least, why Yaakov Avinu sent his favorite son to check on the welfare of his other sons, whom he knew hated him. Yet we find, "And Yisrael said to Yoseph, *Your brothers are pasturing the flocks in Shechem. Come now, and I will send you to them. 'And he answered, 'Here I am' ... And he sent him from the Valley of Hebron, and he came to Shechem.*" (Bereshis 37:13-14)

Rashi asks, "But is not Shechem on a mountain! As it says (regarding the Meraglim) – 'And they left from the Negev and arrived at Hebron!' But the explanation is that it was to carry out the **deep thought** of the righteous one who is buried at Hebron, to fulfill that which was told (by HaShem) to Avraham at the 'Bris bein HaBesarim,' 'Your descendants will be strangers.' " (Bereshis 15:13)

In any case, when Yoseph arrived at Shechem, he gets lost, because his brothers had moved to Dothan. Now, if the story had ended here, **Yoseph would have returned to his home and would never have had the fateful encounter with his brothers.** But the parashah tells us, "A man found him, and behold! – he was wandering aimlessly in the field. The man asked him, 'What do you seek?' And he said, 'My brothers do I seek; tell me, please, where they are pasturing.' The man said, 'They have journeyed on from here, for I heard them saying, 'Let us go to Dothan.' So Yoseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan.' " (Bereshis 37:15-17)

When the brothers saw Yoseph, they went from plotting to kill him, to being restrained by Reuven from that terrible act, and later, at Yehudah's direction, throwing him into a pit and then selling him as a slave to a passing caravan of Yishmaelim for a pair of shoes. This too was a horrible act, for which the "Asarah Harugei Malchus" paid with their lives and for which we are still paying. This was the beginning of the story of the first Exile of the Children of Israel.

Now, **who was that man** who gave accurate directions to Yoseph? And **how did he know** that they were Yoseph's brothers? The Midrash and the commentators agree that he was a heavenly angel; Gavriel, by name, disguised as a man! How amazing! Why would HaShem engineer a scenario which would result in the exile of his people? Whatever the reason was, we see that a principle of God's guidance of events on earth, his "hashgachah," over Jewish History, is that He sometimes uses "Malachim," Angels, to regulate the flow of events.

We see then that the long period of slavery in Egypt was a **positive aspect of Jewish History.** We can then understand why Yaakov sent Yoseph on the perilous trip to meet with his brothers. Yaakov could see with his gift of prophecy that Yoseph would wind up as a slave in Egypt. But his "Emunah" in HaShem was very strong and he knew that HaShem would redeem him from his slavery and raise him to a high position in Egyptian society, where he would lay the groundwork for the ultimate redemption of the nation.

Yaakov knew that his son Yoseph understood the importance of **empathy for the suffering of one's fellow human beings.** A period of slavery, without sympathy from one's masters or from the rest of the world, would instill a feeling of compassion. His nation would become a family of "Rachamanim Bnei Rachamanim," "Merciful in their own right and Sons of the Merciful," for suffering fellow human beings in their travels through history.

L'Iluy Nishmas beni, Aharon Baruch Mordechai ben Pinchas Menachem

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