



Young Israel of Greater Miami
February 16, 2019 11 ADAR 1 5779
PARSHAS TETZAVEH



FRIDAY

Candle Light 5:56 PM

Mincha 6:01 PM

SHABBOS

Shiur 5:20 PM

Mincha 5:50 PM

Maariv & Havdalah 6:56 PM

CLASSES

WEEKDAYS

Gemara

Rabbi Lehrfield
7:25 AM to 7:55 AM

Halacha

Shimshon Mindick
12:30 PM to 2:00 PM

Parshas Hashavua

Rabbi Lehrfield
between Mincha & Ma'ariv

MON / TUES / WED

Halacha

Rabbi Yachnes
45 minutes before Mincha

TUESDAY

Tanach

Rabbi Lehrfield
7:30 PM—8:30 PM

Hilchos Shabbos

Rabbi Eisenman 7:00 PM

THURSDAY

Chumash

Rabbi Lehrfield
7:30 PM-8:30 PM

HATZALAH

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D'VAR TORAH — By Rabbi Dovid Lehrfield



There was oil used in the Bais Hamikdash for the Menorah and there was oil used in the Bais Hamikdash for the Korbonos. The oil for the Menorah had to be perfect, pure, no blemish. The oil for the Korbonos, the sacrifices could have some sediment. Why? The oil for the Menorah represents Torah knowledge, that has to be perfect with no falsity. The oil of the sacrifices represents what we are giving to G-d and sometimes it is not perfect.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Shiur 5:20, Mincha at 5:50 followed by Seudah Shlishis. Maariv and Havdalah are at 6:56.
2. Kiddush after Davening is sponsored by Rabbi & Rebbetzin Lehrfield thanking Hashem Yisborach for the Rabbi's successful surgery and recovery.
3. This week's Drasha Shabbos morning and Shiur before Mincha will be given by Rabbi Michael Whitman. Rabbi Whitman is the spiritual leader of Adath Synagogue in Montreal. He is also a professor at McGill University Faculty of Law. Rabbi Whitman is active in many local and national organizations including the Montreal Eruv, and combating domestic abuse. He is the head of the RCA Conversion Program— Montreal Region and he is vice president of the RCA. Rabbi Whitman is the brother of Jennifer Lehrfield. The topic for the Shiur is "The Mishkan— it's all in the details".
4. Please enjoy our hot coffee and tea station in the lobby.
5. End of year statements are available from the office by request.
6. Purim is coming! Order forms for Mishloach Manos will be mailed soon.
7. Save the Date: Annual Israel Committee Melava Malka Motzei Shabbat March 9th.
8. Save the date: Annual Pre-Pesach Boutique April 1, 2019.
9. We are looking to start a Youth Committee. Please call Amy at 305-305-7166 if you are interested in joining.
10. The Shul office is looking for additional help in April. Please call if you can help out or know of anyone who can help out on a part time basis during this time. Thank you.
11. Please pay your dues or any outstanding balance that you have on your account.
12. We have reserved the first parking space in front of our building for Rabbi Lehrfield. Please do not park there. There is a sign indicating the space. Thank you!

PARSHA SUMMARY:

TETZAVEH

SOURCE: CHABAD.ORG

G-d tells Moses to receive from the children of Israel pure olive oil to feed the "everlasting flame" of the menorah, which Aaron is to kindle each day, "from evening till morning."

The priestly garments, to be worn by the kohanim (priests) while serving in the Sanctuary, are described. All kohanim wore: 1) the ketonet—a full-length linen tunic; 2) michnasayim—linen breeches; 3) mitznefet or migba'at—a linen turban; 4) avnet—a long sash wound above the waist.

In addition, the kohen gadol (high priest) wore: 5) the efod—an apron-like garment made of blue-, purple- and red-dyed wool, linen and gold thread; 6) the choshen—a breastplate containing twelve precious stones inscribed with the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; 7) the me'il—a cloak of blue wool, with gold bells and decorative pomegranates on its hem; 8) the tzitz—a golden plate worn on the forehead, bearing the inscription "Holy to G-d."

Tetzaveh also includes G-d's detailed instructions for the seven-day initiation of Aaron and his four sons—Nadav, Avihu, Elazar and Itamar—into the priesthood, and for the making of the golden altar, on which the ketoret (incense) was burned.

**Sponsors are needed for the Shabbos morning Kiddush following the Main Minyan.
 Cost for the "Lite" Kiddush is \$100.**

Sponsors are also needed weekly for Seudah Shlishis. Cost is \$120.

SHABBOS "INSPIRATION"

Source aish.com

Giving positive advice to people who are open to hearing it, is one of the greatest acts of kindness you can do.

Be careful not to give advice when it is unwanted, even if you are well-meaning. A prerequisite for giving advice is to have the humility not to give advice unless you are certain it will have a positive outcome.

How you give advice is often a key factor in whether or not it will be appreciated. Giving positive advice takes great skill.

HAFTORAH SUMMARY:

EZEKIEL 43: 10-27

SOURCE: CHABAD.ORG

In this week's Haftorah, the prophet Ezekiel describes a vision of the altar that will be built for the third Holy Temple and its dedication ceremony—paralleling this week's Torah portion which discusses the dedication of the Tabernacle's altar.

Shortly after the destruction of the first Temple, Ezekiel experienced a vision of the third Holy Temple that will be built by the Messiah. G-d tells Ezekiel to recount to the Jewish people this vision, and this hopefully will bring them to be ashamed of the deeds they did that caused the destruction of the Temple. "And if they are ashamed of all that they have done, let them know the form of the House and its scheme, its exits and its entrances, and all its forms, and all its laws and all its teachings..."

Ezekiel then goes on to describe in detail the third Temple's altar, and also describes its seven-day inauguration ceremony and the offerings which will be brought on each day of that special week.

REFUAH SHLEIMA

- ◆ Malka Rivka bas Devorah
- ◆ Aharon Dovid ben Chaya
- ◆ Yochanan Baruch HaKohen ben Frumma Etta
- ◆ Etta Mindel bas Chana
- ◆ Tzofia bas Shoshana
- ◆ Daniel Yaakov ben Masha Tzvia
- ◆ Leora Rachel bas Chaya Raizelle
- ◆ Boruch ben Sorah Gittel
- ◆ Etel bas Chana Perel
- ◆ Dina bas Leah
- ◆ Leah bas Sora
- ◆ Yisroel Yehuda ben Rachel
- ◆ Mindal bas Chana
- ◆ Michael Ha Levi ben Esther
- ◆ Nechama Aidel Malka bas Sara Leah
- ◆ Molly Rosenberg
- ◆ Yehuda Meir ben Tzipora
- ◆ Netanel Ilan ben Sheyna Tzipora
- ◆ Devora bas Sora
- ◆ Sara Aria bas Masha Raizel
- ◆ HaRav Dovid ben Etta Riva
- ◆ Ezra Chaim ben Rivka
- ◆ Shmuel ben Sarah
- ◆ Chana bas Yaakov

ATTENTION MEMBERS & FRIENDS -

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PLEASE CONTACT

RON FISHER OF THE YI HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE EMAIL: FISHER@FIU.EDU HOME TEL: 305 653 4970 CELL : 305 613 0828

Anyone who would like to be a part of the Young Israel welcoming committee please contact Rochel Albert at 305-305-3333 Any families who moved in fairly recently and did not receive a welcome basket, please let Rochel Albert know.

Anyone who wants to join a singles network for people living in Florida, please contact Rochel Albert at 613match@gmail.com.

Rabbi Dov Shapiro
Associate Member, Young Israel Council of Rabbis

In his famous quote regarding the Jews, Samuel Clemens (a.k.a. Mark Twain) marveled over our mysterious ability to survive the travails of history and outlive our various adversaries. He concludes in wonderment "The Jew saw them all, survived them all, and is now what he always was what is the secret of his immortality?" Clearly the secret to our survival is the fact that we are Hashem's chosen nation and He wants us to endure and flourish. To ensure our survival Hashem implanted within us certain midos (character traits) that would enable us to not only survive, but to thrive in the harsh environment of golus. Among these midos, writes the Chasam Sofer, Hashem imbued His chosen people with a generous portion of azus (brazenness) also known aschutzpah which gives us the courage to resist the physical pressures and the moral and spiritual challenges that surround us on a daily basis.

This week's parsha, Parshas Tetzaveh, describes the bigdei kehunah, the special garments worn by the kohen gadol when he served in the Beis Hamikdash. The gemara (Arachin 16a) teaches us that each of the garments worn by the kohen gadol was a kapara (atonement) for a certain type of sin. The Choshen (breastplate) atoned for monetary injustice, the avneit (belt) atoned for improper thoughts etc...The tzitz, (golden headband) atoned for acts done with brazenness as the posuk writes v'haya al meitzach Aharon..." Apparently, azus is a bad midah as the mishna tells us "Az panim l'gehinom - a brazen person will end up in gehinom". We actually needed a special garment of the kohen gadol in order to atone for this sin. Yet as we mentioned earlier, Hashem gave us this midah as a gift for our survival implying that it good! Is brazenness a good midah or a bad mida? Should it be cultivated or eradicated?

The answer is an unambiguous "both". Most midos can be good or bad depending on how they are used. Brazenness, when fueled by righteous conviction, can be wonderful midah. It gives one the confidence to resist those (Jews or non-Jews) who scorn and ridicule him for doing and standing up for what is right. On the other hand, fear of embarrassment can prevent one from sinning. Although it should not be a person's primary motivation, peer pressure does have a prominent influence on our behavior. When azus generates an arrogant self-confidence which causes one to dismiss the justified disapproval of his peers, it becomes a bad midah, depriving him of an effective deterrent to sin.

The gemara tells us that every person is implanted with a unique set of midos and personality traits. Although one can't change these initial predispositions, his task in this world is to take his unique set of midos - his personality - and utilize them in a productive manner, thereby elevating his unique abilities to perfection. The gemara gives an example of a person who is born with an innate attraction to blood. Although he can't change that starting point, it is up to him to decide whether he will use that passion to become a murderer, a shochet, or a mohel. Similarly, an extrovert will remain an extrovert; he is not expected to transform himself into an introvert. His choices will determine whether his gregarious nature will propel him towards self-serving narcissism, or toward advocating for important causes and participating in public service.

Although we are often busy with more tangible endeavors such as learning and davening, the Vilna Gaon writes that improving one's midos is his most important mission in life. He comments "If one is not working on his midos what is the purpose of his life?" (Sefer Even Shleima 1:2)

Despite its importance, tikun hamidos is uniquely challenging for two reasons. Firstly, the nature of its mission is unique to each person. Since each person is assigned a unique personality, his battles, expectations, and measure of success vary. One person's shortfall is another's success. An impatient individual who works successfully to become a bit more patient, may still be less patient than one whose patience comes naturally. Success is not measured by any objective standard other than how hard you tried to refine the particular set of midos that Hashem has given you.

A second challenge is that the striving for growth in the realm of midos is primarily a private struggle. One who learns Torah can measure his success by the number of blatt he learns and by the number of times he reviewed them. He can commemorate a benchmark of his accomplishment with a celebratory siyum. Not so in the arena of midos where the struggle takes place in the heart and the battle between one's instincts and willpower rages in the recesses of the heart and mind. It can be difficult to measure his successes and failures, and his triumphs and inevitable setbacks are difficult to share with others.

While challenging, these factors can also be reassuring for one who is determined to grow and refine his midos. In a culture that is quick to judge us by objective standards and measure our success against the performance of our peers, it is refreshing to realize that true success is not about where you are but where you have come from and where you are going. Far more important than what you are today is how much you are determined to grow. And, at the end of the day, the only one who will judge you is Hashem, and He will only measure you against what you could have become. Good Shabbos.

Thank you to Shari Glixman for donating glides for the chairs in the social hall. Many thanks to
Yosef Lipschutz for installing the glides on the chairs.

Save the Date
Annual Israel Committee Melava Malka
Motzei Shabbat, March 9th
featuring Rav Shlomo Kimche
of
Or Me'Ophir Academy

PURIM IS COMING!!!

BOLO (be on the lookout) ! Order forms will be going out soon for Mishloach Manos.

Youth News

Shabbos Groups for younger boys and girls and older girls at 9:00 am in the 1st classroom upstairs. Groups for older boys at 9:30 in the second classroom upstairs.

We are looking to start a Youth committee. Please call me if you're interested in this! It will only benefit your child.

Thank you to the Social Club for sponsoring this week's Youth Kiddush!!

THANK YOU CLARA ALPERT for an amazingly fun storytime! We also had so much fun with the multiple photo booths and a ton of props, also craft making necklaces and Megillah character crown making!

Thank also to the Dennis Kids, Rosenberg kids and Salzman kids for all of your help!

Mazal tov to Rabbi Glatt on the birth of a grandson!

WE HAVE DIY PURIM NECKLACES AND PURIM CHARACTER CROWNS LEFT FOR PURCHASE IN THE OFFICE. JUST \$5 for both!!!

-Thursday March 7 Charlie Brown show. Only a few seats left! Sunday sold out.

Parshas Tetzaveh Questions:

1. What was used in the Mishkan to light the Menorah?
2. When was the Menorah lit?
3. What were Aharon and his sons?
4. Who was the first Kohen Gadol?
5. Who was able to wear the Bigdei Kehunah?
6. When can a Kohen wear the Bigdei Kehunah?
7. How many Begadim does a Kohen Hedyot wear?
8. How many Begadim does a Kohen Gadol wear?
9. How many stones were on the Choshen?
10. What was written on the stones of the Choshen?

Parsha thought to ponder:

One theme of Parshas Tetzaveh is role models. We were put on this world to learn from each other, and help each other out. That's what Hashem wants from us. Do we have role models? Are they humble/pure like the olive oil used to light the menorah? Are we a role model to anyone?

Parsha Challah



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