

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

שבת פרשת מטות-מסעי - פרקי אבות פרק ב'

July 5, 2013

כ"ז תמוז תשע"ג

ערב שבת פרשת מטות-מסעי

מנחה	7:00
הדלקת נרות (early)	7:20
הדלקת נרות (actual)	8:14
שקיעה	8:32

שבת פרשת מטות מסעי

דף היומי	8:00
שחרית	8:45
סוף זמן ק"ש	9:15
מברכים החודש מנחם אב	
Pirkei Avos Shiur	6:25
Halacha Shiur	7:15
מנחה	8:00
שקיעה	8:31
מעריב	9:14

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 7/7-7/12

שחרית

Sunday	7:45
ראש חודש Mon	6:10, 7:35
Tue Wed. Fri.	6:30, 7:45
Thurs.	6:20, 7:45

מנחה-מעריב

Sunday-Thursday	8:20
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NEXT WEEK:

שבת חזון-פרשת דברים

מנחה	7:00
הדלקת נרות (early)	7:20
הדלקת נרות (actual)	8:11
שקיעה	8:29

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is available for sponsorship.

סעודה שלישית is co-sponsored by Jay Kimmel, for the yartzheit of his father, Harav Meir ben Yaakov and by Hilde Zauderer for the yartzheit of her husband, Binyamin ben Tzvi and Dr. Moshe Kranzler for the yartzheit of his father, Yerachmiel ben Rav Moshe Nachum.

The Bais Torah Hashkama minyan has ended for the season. Thank you to all the mispallilim who made the minyan a success. We will IYH resume after the summer.

Rabbi Gottlieb continues his Shabbos afternoon halacha series: "**The Halachic Aspects of Vacations.**" All are invited to attend.

Rabbi Gottlieb's **Ladies' Hilchos Shabbos Shiur** is Wednesday night at 7:30.

Beginning Thursday, (July 4th), Irving Safrin is sponsoring the **week's DAF YOMI SHIURIM**-L'luy Nishmas his father, R' Moshe Shmuel ben R' Zev. Wednesday's (July 10) **Daf Yomi Shiur** is co-sponsored by Eudice Rohinsky for the yartzheit of her father, Avrohom Dovid ben Simcha Moshe HaLevi. To sponsor a day, a week or a month of Daf Yomi please call Aviva in the office 352-1343. **Sponsorships are available to everyone, regardless of participation in the shiur.**

The next **Kosher Food Pantry** collection date is **July 12**. Bais Torah's commitment is **140 cans** of fruit for the month. The Food Pantry cannot accept cans with expired dates.. Don't forget to send in your check to Bais Torah so that we can continue to help keep the shelves of the food pantry stocked.

Save the Date!! Sunday morning, July, 14th join us for for an interesting lecture by **Rabbi Sholom Hammer**, who will discuss "**The Awakening of Jewish Identity in Israel**" He will give us insight into the thinking of secular Israelis who are beginning to identify more with their Judaism.

MAZAL TOV

Yossie and Carole Stern on the birth of a granddaughter born to their children Dena and Daniel Hundert

NICHUM AVEILIM.

Howard Goldberg on the petirah of his mother, Mrs. Dina Goldberg

Refuah Shelaimah

Katie Tannenbaum's grand-
son-
יהונתן משה בן דבורה טובה

Teddy Kallner- הינדא בן הירושלם

Rosalie Kallner

שיינה רחל בת שרה הודל

Henry Shapiro-

חיים מאיר יחיאל בן מלכה לאה

Manny London

מנחם מנוש בן חנה פרידא

Bob Schore -

חיים ראובן בן הענדל יהודית

Tova Eizik's grandson -

שלמה יעקב יונתן בן חנה רייזל

Larry Seligson-

אריה לייב בן רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

Bella Helprin

בילה בת פיגע

פנחס ליאון בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Helen Furman

חנה בת תמרה

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, I'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** afternoon 30 minutes before Pirkei Avos Shiur

Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi

Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Miseches

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 Navi Shiur

Rabbi Yosef Fischer

9:45 AM Gemara Shiur

Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Tuesday

8:15 PM Sha'arei Torah Chavrusa Program

Wednesday

Women's Hilchos Shabbos Shiur

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb- 7:30 PM

Thursday

8:15PM Women's Mishnayos

WILL RESUME IN THE FALL

Parashios Matos -Masei- - Truth, the Whole Truth and More-or-Less Nothing but the Truth

Parashas Matos begins with a discussion of "nedarim," vows, and "shavuos," oaths, and the human being's obligation to be truthful. A "shevuah" is a statement concerning a specific object, such as "I will never wear that red shirt;" if the shirt in question is stolen or is burnt in a fire, then the story is over. A "vow" is a method of creating a prohibition which never existed before. For example, "I will never wear a red shirt." The prohibition here attaches to the person; not to a particular red shirt. Early in Matos, we find the following: "*If one makes a vow to G-d or takes an oath creating a prohibition on himself, he should not violate his word; he should fulfill everything that comes out of his mouth.*" (BaMidbar 30:3) This verse holds the human being to a very high standard of truthfulness.

This is in accord with the statement that the human being is created in the image of G-d. And HaShem is characterized in the "Siddur" in the "Emes VeYatziv," "Truthful and Upright" Prayer, by fifteen adjectives, all relating to the idea of truthfulness. We also say that "His Seal is Truth," and in the "Aleinu" Prayer, "Truthful is our King; there is none beside Him."

Yet, despite this emphasis on truthfulness, it is clear from the Chumash that Absolute Truth is not the way that HaShem deals with the world. When Avraham and Sarah were promised a child despite their old age, we find, "*And Sarah laughed within herself, saying, 'After I have withered, shall I again have delicate skin? And my husband is old!'*" (Bereshis 18:12) But when HaShem reported Sarah's doubt to Avraham, He gave an incomplete report! "*Then HaShem said to Avraham, 'Why is it that Sarah laughed, saying: 'Shall I in truth bear a child, though I have aged?''*" (Bereshis 18:13) HaShem's report was incomplete because Sarah had also said, '*And my husband is old!*' Rashi comments, citing the Gemara and the Midrash: "The Torah alters the facts to preserve peace between them." And when the Midrash says that the Torah alters the facts, it means that the Author of the Torah, HaShem Himself, altered them!

Other scenarios in which "less than the whole truth" is considered preferable to the "whole truth" are recorded in Bava Metzia 23b, where the Sages are permitted to deviate from the truth in the following three cases: "BeMaseches, BePuria, and BeUshpiza" – meaning matters of Talmudic scholarship, matters involving private family matters, and matters of hospitality. And these are elaborated on as follows by the commentators:

If a Talmudic scholar is asked whether he is familiar with a difficult section of Talmud, he may say "no" even if he is quite familiar with it, because the requirements of truthfulness are exceeded by the requirements of modesty.

According to the explanation of "Tosafos," if a husband is asked why he had not been in the "Bais Medrash," and the truth is that he was a "Ba'al Keri," he can just say that he didn't feel well, because requirements for truthfulness are exceeded in this case by requirements for preserving privacy in matters of marital relations.

If a guest who stayed at an inn is asked about the quality of the accommodations, he doesn't have to report their high quality, because he knows that the people who asked him would immediately besiege the hospitality of the inn's proprietor.

And in the case of oaths and vows, the Torah is also accommodating to the man or woman, who finds him or herself under great pressure because of the oath or vow, in allowing a Jewish Court to annul the vow under certain circumstances.

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

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