

# BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת ראה-פרקי אבות פרק ו'

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## Shabbos Mevorchim-Aufruf of Mordy Rosenberg

August 18, 2017

כ"א אב תשע"ז

### ערב שבת פרשת ראה

Mincha 7:00  
Candle lighting (early) 7:20  
Candle lighting (actual) 7:32  
Shkiah 7:50

### שבת פרשת ראה

Hashkama 7:30  
Daf Yomi 8:00  
Shacharis 8:45  
Sof Zman K"Sh 9:34  
Halacha Shiur 6:45  
**Mincha 7:20**  
Shkiah 7:49  
Maariv 8:31  
Shabbos Ends 8:39

### **Weekday Schedule:**

#### **Week of 8/20-8/25**

#### **Shacharis**

Sunday 7:45  
Mon, Thurs 6:20, 7:45

#### **ROSH CHODESH**

**Tues, Weds 6:10, 7:35**

Fri 6:30, 7:45

#### **MINCHA-MAARIV**

**Sun-Thurs 7:30 PM**

### **NEXT WEEK**

#### **שבת פרשת שופטים**

Mincha 7:00  
Candle lighting (early) 7:20  
Candle lighting (actual) 7:21  
Shkiah 7:39

## WHAT'S NEW

**This week's Kiddush is sponsored by Yosi and Debbie Rosenberg** in honor of the aufruf of their son Mordy.

**סעודה שליטת** is co-sponsored by **Pinchas and Miriam Frankel** commemorating the yartzheit of their son Baruch, Aharon Baruch Mordechai ben Pinchas Menachem and by **Yis Helprin** commemorating the yartzheit of his father Elchonon ben Zev Dov

**Thank you Rabbi Mordechai Kronenberg for filling in for the Rav this week. This Shabbos afternoon Halacha Shiur will discuss part II of "Caution?!... Dangers in the Eyes of Halacha "**

**Join us this Motzaie Shabbos at 9:45 PM for a fascinating video shiur featuring Rabbi Dovid Heber who will be discussing "Preparing for the Great American Eclipse of 2107" The full solar eclipse is Monday August 21st. All are invited to attend.**

If you are celebrating a Birthday or Anniversary in August or September join our **Birthday and Anniversary Kiddush Shabbos parshas Shoftim, August 26th**, and help support the weekly kiddush! For just \$18 per name or couple you can celebrate with your Bais Torah Family. Email: [baistorah@gmail.com](mailto:baistorah@gmail.com). The deadline is this Monday August 21.

Rabbi Fischer's shiur on Mishnayos continues! Monday-Thursday half an hour before Mincha, this week the shiur is at 7:00.

**Elul and the Yomim Noraim are around the corner. Please redeem all outstanding shul pledges and balances.**

## MAZAL TOV

Ben and Fran Horwitz on the bar mitzvah of their grandson Shlomo Edelman, son of Cheryl and Aryeh Edelman of Passaic

Yis and Bella Helprin on the wedding of their granddaughter Yocheved Cohen daughter of Gila and Avi Cohen of Lakewood to Moshe Hirschberg of Brooklyn

Yosi and Debbie Rosenberg on the Aufruf of their son Mordy.

Dr. Moe and Bayla Tilson on the bar mitzva of their grandson Ephraim Yonah, son of Aviva Brandsdorfer of Cedarhurst

## 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 בן אריה לייב

רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-

רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld

מנחם בן קילה

פנחס ליאן בן ריזל

Ruth Malinowitz

רבקה בת פריידא

Andy Yurowitz

אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg

שרה רות בת שרה

Rechy Ortner's cousin

רחל ביילא בת גיטל

Goldress grandson

אילן רפאל בן טובה רבקה

Jennifer Herrman's mother

שרה צירלא בת ידיל

## BIKUR CHOLIM-

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## SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, I'zecher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets Shabbos afternoon 45 minutes before the Halacha shiur

### Sunday:

6:25 AM Daf Yomi

Rabbi Avromy Fein

8:30 AM Gemara Mischeches

Pesachim

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

### 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 Nishur

Rabbi Leibel Reznick

**Wednesday** –on hiatus

8:30 PM Navi Shiur

Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

### Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class

Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

## Parashas Re'eh – “ – ” ברכה וקללה “Blessing and Curse”

In Moshe's valedictory address to the Jewish People, he wants to make clear to them what HaShem cares most about. In doing so, he defines one mode of behavior as a “Blessing” and the opposite mode of behavior as a “Curse.” *“The Blessing is that you obey the Commandments of HaShem, your G-d, that I command you today. And the Curse: If you do not obey the Commandments of HaShem, your G-d, and you stray from the path ... to follow the gods of others, that you did not know...” (Devarim 11:27-28)*

Now the description of the “Blessing” is an encapsulation of the much longer description in Parashas Eikev, the first verse of which is *“Now, O Israel, what does HaShem, your G-d ask of you? Only to fear HaShem, your G-d, to go in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve HaShem, your G-d, with all your heart and all your soul!” (Devarim 10:12-13)* In Maseches Berachos 33b, Chazal ask, “What does Moshe mean by only? Is Fear of G-d a trivial matter? And the answer that is given is, ‘Yes, with respect to Moshe, Fear of HaShem is not an outrageous demand.’ But the question remains, Moshe was not dealing with people on his level! He was dealing with the whole Congregation of Israel! The ‘Kli Yakar’ answers that Moshe was addressing that part of the People that had left Egypt, and not their descendants, They had witnessed the awesome Majesty of HaShem, revealed in the 10 Plagues, the Splitting of the Sea and the Stand at Sinai when HaShem had spoken to them from the midst of consuming fire! For them, as for Moshe, Fear of HaShem was a reasonable expectation.

The Jewish People were commanded as follows: *“It shall be that when HaShem, your G-d, brings you to the Land, to possess it, then you shall deliver the Blessing on Har-Gerizim and the Curse on Har-Eyval. (Devarim 11:29)* And we find in Parashas Ki-Savo that Moshe commanded that the Tribes of Shimon, Levi, Yehudah, Yissachar, Yoseph and Binyamin should ascend Har-Gerizim to bless the Children of Israel, and that the Tribes of Reuven, Gad, Asher, Zevulun, Dan and Naphtali ascend Har-Eyval to stand for the curse.

*“Accursed is the man who will make a graven or a molten image, an abomination of HaShem, a craftsman's handiwork, and emplace it in secret.” And the entire People of Israel shall speak up and say, ‘Amen.’*

*“Accursed is the one who degrades his father or mother.” And the entire People should say, ‘Amen.’*

And concludes...

*“Accursed is the one who takes a bribe to kill an innocent man.” And the entire People should say, ‘Amen.’*

*“Accursed is the one who will not uphold the words of this Torah, to perform them.” And the entire People shall say, ‘Amen.’ (Devarim 27:15-16, 25-26)*

And we find in the Book of Yehoshua that Moshe's commands were carried out to the letter:

*“And all Israel and its elders, its officers and its judges stood on this side and that of the Ark... half of them on the slope of Har-Gerizim and half of them on the slope of Har-Eyval, as Moshe... had commanded, to first bless the People of Israel. After that, he read all the words of the Torah, the Blessing and the Curse... There was not a word that Moshe had commanded that Yehoshua did not read to the entire Congregation of Israel. (Yehoshua 8:33-35)*

A few years ago, there was a fully wooded piece of land, about 2 acres, concealing a huge rock where my sons and their friends had played, Then suddenly large machines appeared, which began cutting down the trees. After a few weeks, not a single tree, and only the rock, remained. On a trip to Israel, I had seen Har-Gerizim and Har-Eyval, and there was an uncanny resemblance between the before and after views and the two mountains. Then a magnificent Yeshiva, an extension of Bais David, under the stewardship of Rabbi Jacobs, began to rise on the site, and is nearing completion.

The final parashiyos of Sefer Devarim speak of transition: from innocence to sin, then redemption through Teshuvah. I wondered if the transition from one view to the next of the across-the-street property, might be a metaphor for the spiritual transitions depicted in the Parashah.

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

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