

BAIS TORAH BULLETIN

פרשת קרח
פרקי אבות פרק ד'

June 15, 2018

ב' תמוז תשע"ח

ערב שב פרשת קרח

Mincha 7:00

Candle lighting :

Summer schedule 7:20

Actual 8:12

Shkiah 8:30

שבת פרשת קרח

Hashkama 7:30

Daf Yomi 8:00

Shacharis 8:45

Sof Zman K" S 9:10

Pirkei Avos 6:25

Halacha 7:15

Mincha 8:00

Shkiah 8:31

Maariv 9:14

Shabbos Ends 9:22

Weekday Schedule:

Week of 6/17-6/22

Sunday 7:45

Mon.Thurs. 6:20,7:45

Tues, Weds., Fri
6:30,7:45

MINCHA-MAARIV

Sun-Thurs 8:20 PM

Shiur* 7:50 PM

NEXT WEEK

שבת פרשת חקת

Mincha 7:00

Candle lighting :

Summer schedule 7:20

Actual 8:14

Shkiah 8:32

WHAT'S NEW

This week's Kiddush is "super" sponsored by Michael and Sharon Kronenberg in appreciation of all their friends at Bais Torah, and Yosi and Debbie Rosenberg and all those celebrating Graduations or Birthdays, and Anniversaries in June and July. Mazal tov to all. The list of sponsors is attached. Thank you! .

סעודה שלישית is available for sponsorship.

Rabbi Gottlieb's Shabbos afternoon Contemporary Halacha Shiur continues the series on Kashrus. This week: "Meat and Dairy: How Many Stoves and Countertops Do You Need?"

Please join us **Thursday for Rabbi Frand's shiur through the Torah Conferencing Network at 9PM.** Rabbi Mansour's shiur has ended for the season.

*Rabbi Josef Fischer will be giving his Bava Kama Mishnayos shiur every Monday through Thursday 30 minutes before Mincha in the Simcha Room.

The Daf Yomi Shiur for June 12 was sponsored by David Mayerfeld in memory of his father Menachem be Uri Shraga and June 13 was sponsored by Eudice Rohinsky in memory of her mother Nasha Nechama bas Yehoshua HaCohen

Carl and Sara Markowitz are bringing a Sefer Torah to Congregation Beth Abraham, 396 New Bridge Road, Bergenfield on Sunday June 17th. Final letters will be written from 10:30 to 11:45 followed by the procession. All are welcome to attend.

The General Membership meeting is Sunday June 24th at 9:30 a.m.. All members in good standing are invited to come and join the meeting.

SAVE THE DATE: Bais Torah Annual Dinner Sunday evening November 11, 2018.

MAZAL TOV

David and Regina Abramczik on their marriage

Teddy and Malkie Katzenstein on the birth of a granddaughter born to their children Chana Miriam and Yehuda Gross.

Marvin and Sally Borgen on the marriage of their grandchildren Shimmy and Leora Borgen, children of Yumi and Reva Borgen of Cedarhurst

Saul and Phyllis Siegel on the engagement of their granddaughter Deborah A. Siegel, daughter of David and Cheryl Siegel, to Yehuda Gertler

Eliot and Roberta Shapiro on the birth of a granddaughter, Malka, born to their children Aron and Elisheva Shapiro in Ramat Eshkol.

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

Larry Seligson בן אריה לייב בן רבקה

Larry Seligson's son-
רפאל אפרים בן סימא פריעדל

Manny Mayerfeld
מנחם בן קילה

Ruth Malinowitz
רבקה בת פריידא

Andy Yurowitz
אליהו זבי בן חנה

Shira Steinberg
שרה רות בת שירה

Rechy Ortner's cousin
רחל ביילא בת גיטל

Goldress grandson
אילן רפאל בן טובה רבקה

Jennifer Herrman's mother
שרה צירלא בת יודיל

Marty Ginsberg
משה זאב בן אסתר

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SHIURIM

Women's Tehilim, l'zcher nishmas Feigel bas Menachem Mendel, meets **Shabbos** after-noon 45 minutes before the Pirkei Avos 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 Shiur
Rabbi Leibel Reznick

Wednesday -

8:00 PM Navi Shiur-trei asar
Rabbi Yisroel Gottlieb

Thursday

8:00 The Sandra Thurm Women's Mishna Class
Dr. Deborah Raice Fox

Parashas Korach

“ – From Korach to General Principles of Human Leadership
Recent headlines announce that we live in very strange times. Our president, Donald Trump, is one of the main contributors to that designation. He rejected the nuclear agreement with Iran, implying a threat of force. Over the last few days, he seems to have had a successful meeting with Kim Jong-un on the denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula. Yet, while most of the world seems to be climbing on the anti-Semitism bandwagon, he has moved the American embassy to Jerusalem and, in his own family, his own daughter has converted to Orthodox Judaism and has married an Orthodox Jew. Unpredictable, to the extreme.

Chazal, who say that Korach was a very wise man, ask, “How could Korach, who was wise, have led such a foolish endeavor as this revolt?” The answer is found in Pirkei Avos 4:28, where we find, “Rabbi Elazar HaKapor says, ‘Jealousy, Desire and Quest for Honor, remove a person from the World.’” Korach was jealous of Aharon, was full of desire for riches and embarked on a desperate search for honor, all of which combined to literally remove him from the world, as he was swallowed up by the earth.

An outstanding group of Jewish leaders who followed Moshe were the Judges. The last, and possibly the greatest of them was Shmuel the Prophet (Who said that a great Jewish leader can't wear two hats: Prophet and Judge, as long as his ultimate loyalty is to HaShem?)

HaShem instructed Shmuel to anoint Shaul as the first King of Israel, which he did privately. Shmuel gathered the Tribes of Israel for a public ceremony, but suddenly Shaul disappeared. When HaShem was asked where he was, He replied that he was hiding among the baggage. Shaul was retrieved, and he stood in the midst of the people. Shmuel said, “*Have you seen whom HaShem has chosen? There is no one like him among all of the people.*” (Shmuel I 10:24) We see here how much HaShem values humility.

The Rambam writes, at the beginning of Hilchos Melachim (Laws of the Kings), “Israel was commanded to perform three commands when they entered the Holy Land:

1. To appoint for themselves a King, as it says, ‘*You shall surely place a King over you.*’ (Devarim 17:15)
2. To wipe out the memory of Amalek, as it says, ‘*...You shall wipe out the name of Amalek from under the heaven – you shall not forget!*’ (Devarim 25:19)
3. To build the Temple, as it says, ‘*...Only at the place that HaShem, your G-d, will choose from among all your Tribes to place His Name, there shall you seek out His Presence.*’ (Devarim 12:5)”

Since this essay deals primarily with human leadership, I will cite more text regarding the command to install a King: “*When you come to the land that HaShem, your G-d, gives you, and possess it, and settle in it, and you will say, ‘I will set a King over myself, like all the nations that are around me,’ You shall surely set over yourself a King whom HaShem, your G-d, shall choose; from among your brethren shall you set a King over yourself; you cannot place over yourself a foreign man, who is not your brother. He shall not have too many horses for himself, so that he will not return the people to Egypt in order to increase horses, for HaShem has said to you, ‘You shall no longer return on this road again.’ And he shall not have too many wives, so that his heart will not turn astray; and he shall not greatly increase silver and gold for himself. It shall be that when he sits on the throne of his kingdom, he shall write for himself two copies of this Torah in a book, from before the Kohanim, the Levites. It shall be with him, and he shall read from it all the days of his life, so that he will learn to fear HaShem, his G-d, to observe all the words of this Torah and these decrees, to perform them, so that his heart does not become haughty over his brethren and not turn from the commandment right or left, so that he will prolong years over his kingdom, he and his sons amid Israel.*” (Devarim 17: 14-20)

It seems to me that HaShem always had in mind that a human being should ideally be King over Israel (or a Rabbi, or Rebbe, as Mora D’Asra) and that His role should be King of Kings, the Invisible and Eternal G-d. It would probably be too much to expect from human beings to believe exclusively in an Invisible and Spiritual G-d.

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

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