



# The sorts of tidbits

my father, R' Meir Zlotowitz z"l, made sure his family was up to date on  
from the mundane, to the profound, to the 'thanks for reminding me!'



Parashas Vayikra 5783  
March 24th • 2 Nisan

## Reminders

The first opportunity for Kiddush Levana is this Motzaei Shabbos, March 25th. The final opportunity is Tuesday night, April 4th.

On Shabbos, *Av Harachamim* (before Mussaf) and *Tzidkoscha* (after Minchah) are omitted throughout Chodesh Nisan. The *Keil Malei* recited by one who has a *yahrzeit* is also not said.

The *berachah* of *Bircas Ilanos* (a blessing on a newly blossomed fruit tree) should ideally be said during the month of Nissan.

One must donate money for *Maos Chittim*, a fund that provides the needy with food during Pesach. The donation may be given from *maaser* funds.

On Friday morning, March 24th at 2:00 AM, Eretz Yisrael will move their clocks forward one hour to Daylight Savings Time.

Daf Yomi - Erev Shabbos: Bavli: Nazir 60. The *siyum* on Masechta Nazir is next Thursday, March 30th, Mazal Tov! Next up is Masechta Sotah which is just 48 blatt.

Daf Yerushalmi - Erev Shabbos: Pe'ah 37.  
Mishnah Yomis - Erev Shabbos: Pesachim 3:4-5.

Make sure to call your parents, in-laws, grandparents and Rabbi to wish them a good Shabbos. If you didn't speak to your kids today, make sure to do the same!

## Next on the Calendar

Shabbos HaGadol is next Shabbos, Parashas Tzav, April 1st.

Leil Bedikas Chametz is Tuesday evening, April 4th.

Pesach begins on Wednesday evening, April 5th.

## Parshah in a Paragraph

**Vayikra:** Three kinds of *Korban Olah*: cattle (bulls), flock (rams, sheep or goats) and birds (doves) • Various kinds of *Korban Minchah*: unbaked flour, baked dough, shallow-pan fried dough, deep-pan fried dough • *The Korban Omer* • No yeast or honey may go on the *Mizbeiach* • Salting *korbanos* • Three kinds of *Korban Shelamim*:

cattle, sheep and goats • Two *Korbanos Chatas Penimi*: the Kohen Gadol's, and community that sins; two *Korbanos Chatas Chitzon*: the king's, and a private individual's • A *Korban Chatas Olah v'Yored's* three sins: Swearing falsely to not knowing testimony, exposure to *Kodesh* while *tamei*, and transgressing a vow; and its three levels of offerings: animal, bird and *minchah* • A *Korban Asham's* three sins: inadvertently benefiting from *kodesh*, uncertainty if one sinned, and swearing falsely to not owing money • One who inadvertently benefitted from *hekdesh* and one who swears falsely to not owing money must pay an additional fine of a *chomesh* (an additional 25%).

**Haftarah:** The *parashah* discusses the *korbanos* brought in the Beis Hamikdash. The *haftarah* (Yeshaya 43:21-44:23) speaks of the tragic period when the *Beis Hamikdash* service was suspended by the wicked King Achaz.

## 613 Taryag Weekly

**Vayikra:** 111 Pesukim • 11 Obligations • 5 Prohibitions

1-2) *Korban Olah* and *Korban Minchah*. 3) Do not include honey or yeast in any *korban*. 4-5) Do not bring *korbanos* without salt; rather, salt must be added. 6) *Korban Chatas* of a congregation. 7) *Korban Chatas* of an individual. 8) A witness is obliged to testify. 9) *Korban Olah V'Yored*. 10) Do not sever a bird's head during *melikah*. 11-12) Do not add oil or *levonah* to a *Minchas Chotei*. 13) Repay inadvertent use of *hekdesh* with an additional *chomesh* (25%). 14) *Korban Asham Talui*. 15) Return stolen items. 16) *Korban Asham*.

**Mitzvah Highlight:** The *Korban Asham Talui* is brought when one is unsure if he committed a *kareis* level sin. The Sefer HaChinuch explains that the sacrifice is not brought for the sin itself, as, in fact, he may not have even transgressed the sin! Rather, the lack of diligence that caused the *possibility* of its commission is in itself a sin, and requires atonement. Therefore, if it subsequently becomes clear later on that the sin was indeed committed, a *chatas* must then be brought.

## For the Shabbos Table

"נפש כִּי־תִחַטֵּא בְשִׁגְגָה"

*A soul which sins inadvertently (Vayikra 4:2)*

The *Daas Zekeinim* explains that the Torah refers to the sinner as a *Nefesh* as we find in the *pasuk* (Yechezkel 18:4) "*Nefesh hachoteis hi tamus*", a *soul that sins should die*, for the soul, that is holy and recognizes its Creator, is mostly at fault for this sin. One may question - why the *pasuk* in Yechezkel indicates that the sinner is deserving of death, and yet in our *parashah* the Torah advises the sinner to bring a *korban* for atonement?

The Sforno explains that Hashem redeemed Klal Yisrael from Mitzrayim after hearing "*na'akasam*", their outcries, as these outcries made Klal Yisrael deserving of redemption. Rav Yerucham Olshin shlit"a explains that the power of prayer isn't solely that Hashem grants a response, rather that the outcry changes the person internally, transforming one into a believer who recognizes his Creator. This change in the person makes him deserving of redemption and salvation. So, too, a sinner may truly be deserving of death, yet his *teshuvah* and *korban* change him into a new person, one who is closer to Hashem and deserving of forgiveness. Our *tefillos* today take the place of *korbanos* and have the power to change us, making us deserving of the *refuos* and *yeshuos* we so desperately need.

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Parashas Vayikra | March 24

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|--------------|------|-----------|--------------|-------------|--------------------|------------|---------------|
| Atlanta      | 9:04 | 7:52      | 10:39        | 10:02       | 7:52               | 7:34       | 6:35          |
| Baltimore    | 8:35 | 7:23      | 10:07        | 9:27        | 7:22               | 7:04       | 6:05          |
| Boston       | 8:13 | 7:01      | 9:44         | 9:02        | 7:00               | 6:42       | 5:43          |
| Catskills    | 8:28 | 7:16      | 9:59         | 9:17        | 7:14               | 6:56       | 5:57          |
| Chicago      | 8:20 | 7:08      | 9:51         | 9:09        | 7:07               | 6:47       | 5:50          |
| Cleveland    | 8:56 | 7:44      | 10:27        | 9:46        | 7:43               | 7:25       | 6:26          |
| Detroit      | 9:01 | 7:49      | 10:32        | 9:50        | 7:48               | 7:30       | 6:31          |
| Lakewood     | 8:25 | 7:13      | 9:57         | 9:17        | 7:12               | 6:54       | 5:55          |
| Los Angeles  | 8:20 | 7:08      | 9:54         | 9:17        | 7:07               | 6:49       | 5:50          |
| Miami        | 8:46 | 7:34      | 10:23        | 9:49        | 7:33               | 7:15       | 6:17          |
| Monsey       | 8:25 | 7:13      | 9:57         | 9:15        | 7:12               | 6:54       | 5:55          |
| Montreal     | 8:25 | 7:13      | 9:54         | 9:10        | 7:11               | 6:53       | 5:54          |
| New York     | 8:25 | 7:13      | 9:56         | 9:16        | 7:12               | 6:54       | 5:55          |
| Orlando      | 8:51 | 7:39      | 10:27        | 9:52        | 7:39               | 7:21       | 6:22          |
| Passaic      | 8:25 | 7:13      | 9:57         | 9:16        | 7:12               | 6:54       | 5:55          |
| Philadelphia | 8:29 | 7:17      | 10:01        | 9:21        | 7:16               | 6:58       | 5:59          |
| Toronto      | 8:47 | 7:35      | 10:28        | 9:35        | 7:34               | 7:16       | 6:17          |
| Yerushalayim | 8:10 | 6:53      | 9:41         | 9:05        | 6:52               | 6:17       | 5:36          |

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