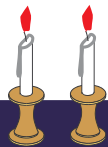




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פרשת יתרו



Shabbos Times

Mincha	6:50pm
Plag Mincha	7:05pm
Candle Lighting (Latest)	8:14pm
Shkiah	8:31pm
Shacharis	9:00am
Latest time for Shema	10:04am
Shiur	7:30pm
Shabbos Mincha (followed by Seudah Shlishis)	5:00pm / 8:00pm
Shabbos ends	9:16pm

Mazal Tov

This weeks Kiddush has been kindly sponsored by
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for the Yahrzeit of their parents

Insight from the Daf

BUILDING AN IDOLATROUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP

The Mishna in Avodah Zorah (Daf 16) says we may build with them altars etc.

Rashi explains that the Mishnah refers to building an altar and it is permitted for a Jew to build it since the building of the altar is considered two steps from the actual idolatry. The altar serves the sacrifice which in turn services the idol. Tosafos rejects this explanation, arguing that it is illogical to think that we may assist idolaters in building a structure that would be used in the service of idolatry. Consequently, he advocates the reading of the Mishnah with the word דִּימוּסִיאוֹת along with Aruch's interpretation that it refers to a bath filled with hot water from natural hot springs.

The Rambam rules that one may assist in the construction of a palace or courtyard that will contain the dome in which they place the idol. The Beis Yosef explains that the Rambam reads the Mishnah as did Rashi and thus one is permitted to construct the palace or the courtyard since it serves the dome that serves the idol. According to Tosafos, however, it would be prohibited to construct the palace or the courtyard similar to his position that one may not assist in the construction of an altar.

The Vilna Gaon expresses surprise that one could assert that there is a disagreement between Rashi and Tosafos whether one could build the palace that will contain the dome when the Mishnah states explicitly that one may not continue to construct their house of worship when the construction reaches the location of the dome. This clearly indicates that one may participate in the construction of the remainder of the palace.

Shaarei Youth

Shaarei Boys Kiddush

Summer Shabbos Groups

There will be NO shabbos groups this week. The Shabbos groups will start again next week

Seudah Shlishis After Mincha

Summer Avos Ubonim
45 Minutes before Mincha
This Week 7:15-8:00pm

Wednesday Night Learning
7:45-8:30pm

Daf HaYomi - We will be starting Avodah Zarah 20a on Sunday



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Shiurim and Learning at Shaarei this Week

Sunday Morning - After Shacharis	Meseches Kehillah
Monday Night - After Maariv	Hashkofa (Alei Shur)
Sun, Tues & Wed - 8:30pm	NIGHT CHABURA - Gittin
Wednesday Night - 8:45pm	N/A
Thursday Night - After Maariv	The Kosher Shmooze
Thursday Night - Late	Topical Shiur
Sunday - Thursday before Maariv	Mishne Brurah Shiur
Monday - Friday 5:45am	
Sun - 7:15am, Shabbos 8:15am	Daf Hayomi Shiur

Davening Times this Week

	Shacharis	Mincha	Maariv
Sunday	8:00am	8:15pm	8:35/9:45pm
Monday	6:30am	5:45/8:15pm	8:35/9:45pm
Tuesday	6:45am	5:45/8:15pm	8:35/9:45pm
Wednesday	6:45am	5:45/8:15pm	8:35/9:45pm
Thursday	6:30am	5:45/8:15pm	8:35/9:45pm
Friday	6:45am	6:45pm	---

Something for the Shabbos table

Moshe ascended Har Sinai and Hashem instructed him to tell Bnei Yisroel the following: "You have seen what I did to Mitzrayim and that I carried you on the wings of eagles and I brought you to Me" (ibid. 19:3). Rashi explains that Hashem was telling Bnei Yisroel that they do not have to rely on testimonies or hearsay since they witnessed Hashem's wonders with their very own eyes. Rav Wolbe cites the Sefer Kuzari which elaborates on this idea. The sefer revolves around the king of Kuzar's search for religious fulfillment. He discussed religion with a Christian, a Muslim and a Jew. When he asked the Jew about his beliefs, he responded, "We believe in the G-d of Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yaakov, Who redeemed Bnei Yisrael from Egypt in an awesome display of miracles, sustained them in the desert and conquered the Land of Canaan for them."

The king asked the Jew why he described his G-d as, "The One Who redeemed Bnei Yisroel from Egypt," and not as, "The One Who created the world," as He was described by the Christian and Muslim. The wise Jew responded that while other religions belief in G-d relies on hearsay, Jewish belief is based upon occurrences that took place in front of the eyes of the masses.

The foundation of our beliefs is rock solid. Millions of people experienced Yetzias Mitzrayim and heard Hashem speak at Har Sinai.

This weeks Kiddush Roster:

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This weeks Clean Up Roster:

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Ladies Shiur

This Shabbos morning there will be a
ladies Shiur given by
Mrs Beruria Tenenbaum
All ladies and girls welcome