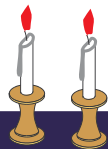




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פרשת פנחס



Shabbos Times

Mincha	4:56pm
Candle Lighting	4:56pm
Shkiah	5:13pm
Shacharis	9:00am
Latest time for Shema	10:00am
Halocha Shiur	4:30pm
Shabbos Mincha	N/A /
(followed by Seudah Shlishis)	4:45pm
Shabbos ends	5:59pm
Avos Ubonim	7:00pm

Save the Date

**Melava Malka in honour of
Rabbi and Rebbetzin Schreck
Motzei Shabbos Parshas Eikev
4th July 2018**

Halachic Insight

CHILDREN DURING THE THREE WEEKS

Can a child have a haircut during the three weeks or eat meat during the nine days?

The Shulchan Aruch (OC 551:14) rules that adults may not cut children's hair during the nine days. The Mishna Berura (551:81 quoting the Elya Rabba) writes that this applies for the three weeks (between 17th Tammuz and 9th Av). While the Mishna Berura (Shaar Hatziyun 551:91) discusses whether young children can have a haircut, depending on the reason behind this prohibition, the Aruch Hashulchan (OC 551:31) and R' Moshe Feinstein (Igros Moshe YD 1:224) allow children younger than six to get a haircut if necessary. R' Ephraim Greenblatt (Rivevos Ephraim 1:336:2; 2:155:19) writes that one who has the minhag to give their son an upsherin shouldn't schedule the haircut during the three weeks. Certainly, if a child has lice, one doesn't need to wait to cut their hair (Nitei Gavriel, Bein Hametzarim 19:8).

The Magen Avraham (OC 551:31) writes that so long as children are too young to comprehend what we're mourning about they don't need to mourn and so can eat meat during the nine days. Nonetheless, the Mishna Berura (551:70 and Shaar Hatziyun 551:76) writes that most poskim disagree and children are not allowed to eat meat or drink wine unless it is for a mitzva (such as havdala wine) or for health reasons (See Aruch Hashulchan OC 551:26). Nonetheless, R' Ephraim Greenblatt (Rivevos Ephraim 1:371; 2:155:22; 3:473:18) writes that one should not be strict with children, especially if they are weak.

In conclusion, when children are old enough to understand what Tisha B'av is about they should begin keeping the relevant halachos. Ideally, young children should not be given meat either.

Shaarei Youth

Shabbos Afternoon Groups
Please note - There will be
NO shabbos afternoon groups
during the holidays

Avos Ubonim This Week
7:00-7:45pm

Holiday Program
Monday - Friday
Davening 8:30am followed by
breakfast and learning

Rosh Chodesh Menachem Av
THIS FRIDAY

Daf HaYomi - We will be starting Zevachim 86a 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	5:00pm	5:20pm
Monday	6:30am	5:00pm	8:15/9:45pm
Tuesday	6:45am	5:00pm	8:15/9:45pm
Wednesday	6:45am	5:00pm	8:15/9:45pm
Thursday	6:30am	5:00pm	8:15/9:45pm
Friday	6:20am	5:00pm	---

Something for the Shabbos table

In this week's Parsha Pinchos got up and decided on his own to defend the honour of Hashem and kill Zimri. He acted in accordance with the halacha of "Kana'im Pog'im Bo". Had he asked Beis Din for permission, he would not have been told to kill him. A Kana'i (zealot) cannot get permission from Beis Din. He must act on his own. This halacha is quite unique and contrary to general Torah Hashkofa. Why is this so?

Rav Moshe Feinstein in Darash Moshe explains; while it is important to do mitzvos with pure intentions, nevertheless a mitzva done with ulterior motives and for the sake of personal benefits is still worth doing. However when it comes to punishing others, this can only be done if carried out with 100% pure intentions and totally L'Shem Shamayim. Judging a person's intentions are not within the abilities of another human. Only Hashem can know a person's thoughts. Therefore in the case of Kana'im Pogim Bo, Beis Din can never render an opinion if a particular person can carry out "Nikmas Hashem". This is between the person and Hashem alone.

This was the gripe of the Shevatim against Pinchos. They doubted his sincerity until Hashem testified on Pinchos's behalf and awarded him the Kehuna and a Bris of Sholom.

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