



Beis Medrash Ahavas Shalom
HaRav Avrohom Baruch Zachariash, Sh'lita, Rav
April 17/18 2020 – כ"ד ניסן התש"פ

Bidud

זאת החיה אשר תאכלו (ויקרא יא:ב)

These are the lifeforms that you may eat...
(Vayikra 11:2)

The pasuk says "zos hachaya" – these are the animals that can be eaten. Rashi explains that we use the expression "chaya" – life – since Jews are attached to life, they were separated from the non-kosher animals, which detract from life. Whereas the Gentiles who are not attached to life can eat what they please. Rashi brings the medrash that compares it to the doctor who has two patients: One is told that he can eat what he wants; the other is given a strict diet. The one without a chance of recovery might as well enjoy himself and eat what he wants; the one who has a chance to live must have a strict diet, since his only chance of recovery is with such a diet.

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Mevarchin Rosh Chodesh Iyar

המולד יהיה ביום רביעי,
חמישים ושמנה דקות ושנים-
עשר חלקים אחרי עשר בלילה.



The Molad will be Wednesday, 58 minutes
and 12 chalakim after 10 at night.

(Israeli Clock Time 23:36).

ראש חדש אייר יהיה ביום ששי וביום
שבת קדש הבא עלינו ועל כל ישראל
לטובה.

Rosh Chodesh Iyar will be on Friday and Shabbos.

From the President

I hope you all had a wonderful Pesach with your immediate families. It was not the same as when we were able to share Pesach with our extended families, and daven and learn in our



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PIRKEI AVOS

WITH RAV AVRAHAM BARUCH
ZACHARIASH

Join Rav Zachariash's immensely popular shiur on Pirkei Avos, starting this Shabbos and continuing throughout the Summer.

FIRST SHIUR WILL BE VIA ZOOM ON THURSDAY NIGHT DUE TO GOVERNMENT RESTRICTIONS. SEE PAGE 4.

When we resume learning in the Beis Medrash, each shiur will begin approximately 18:24. The Ezras Nashim will be open for women for both the 18:00 Mincha and the shiur.

Shabbos Schedule Parshas Shemini

לוח שבת שמיני

Erev Shabbos		ערב שבת
Mincha 1	13:30	מנחה א'
"Early Mincha"	17:29	מנחה "מוקדמת"
Plag Hamincha	17:49	פלג המנחה
Candle Lighting	18:33/18:53	הדלקת נרות
Mincha 2	18:55	מנחה ב'
Sunset	19:13	שקיעה
Shabbos Day		יום השבת
Brachos	08:15	ברכות
Shochein Ad	08:45	שוכן עד
Latest Shema - M. A.	08:36	סוף זמן ק"ש למג"א
Latest Shema - G'ra	09:24	סוף זמן ק"ש לגר"א
Mincha 1	13:30	מנחה א'
Mincha 2	16:00	מנחה ב'
Mincha 3	18:00	מנחה ג'
Pirkei Avos	18:25	פרקי אבות
Sunset	19:14	שקיעה
Ma'ariv 1	19:51	מעריב א'
Ma'ariv 2	20:14	מעריב ב'



עקב גליף הקורונה

יבואל אבות ובנים בשבת הזאת

Due to the Corona Virus
Avos u'Banim is cancelled again this week.
With Hashem's help we will return soon.

Yeshivas Bein Hazmanim

Due to the restrictions placed on the population by the Ministry of Health, it is not feasible to have Yeshivas Bein Hazmanim at this time. We hope to have another YBHZ session in the summer after Tisha B'Av, - sponsorships will be approximately 250₪ (exact price to be announced), so please consider setting aside funds so that you can sponsor a day of learning!



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Beis Medrash, but I do hope you all made it through unscathed—and hopefully with more appreciation of a “normal” Pesach.

The Rav continues to work online with the kehilla, offering his two regular classes, plus a 15-minute *chizuk* before Shabbos and Yom Tov. This online learning will continue until we can return to our Beis Medrash.

Now that it is summer, it is also time for **Pirkei Avos**. The Rav is preparing to give a ZOOM shiur on Thursday night from 20:30 to 21:00. The shiur will be recorded and available either Thursday night or Friday morning if you are unable to attend. Hopefully this will be the only week and we will resume Pirkei Avos on Shabbos afternoon after the 18:00 Mincha (otherwise it will continue until we return to the Beis Medrash).

We also have a potential day of learning coming up (see advertisement on this page). It will all depend upon whether the government lets us return or not (we currently do not plan to host this event via ZOOM, but we could if there was interest).

Wishing you all a good Shabbos and a good summer!

Lev Seltzer, Chairman

YOM IYUN

WEDNESDAY 5 IYAR (29 APR)

ENJOY A “CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST” WHILE LISTENING TO SHIURIM FROM RAV ZACHARIASH AND OTHERS (TO BE ANNOUNCED).

SHIURIM BEGIN AT 09:15 AND END WITH MINCHA AT 13:15.

FULL DETAILS TO BE POSTED ON THE NOTICE BOARD AND SENT VIA EMAIL EARLY NEXT WEEK.

TRANSFORM YOUR YOM HAATZMAUT DAY OFF INTO A DAY OF TORAH LEARNING!

WE CONTINUE TO PRAY TO HASEHM FOR THE END OF THE GOVERNMENT LOCKDOWN SO THAT WE CAN RETURN TO OUR BEIS MEDRASH AND HOLD THIS DAY OF LEARNING. HOWEVER, IF WE ARE NOT PERMITTED TO DO SO, OR IF WE ARE NOT GIVEN SUFFICIENT NOTICE OF THE REMOVE OF THE LOCKDOWN, THEN WE WILL UNFORTUNATELY HAVE TO POSTPONE THIS EVENT UNTIL NEXT YEAR.

SPONSORSHIP FOR ONE OR ALL THE SPEAKERS IS STILL AVAILABLE.

Mi Shebeirach for Cholim

As we are not holding services on Shabbos, the Gab-bai will not be reading the names of the *cholim*. Please consider adding these names to just one of your prayers either immediately before or after Shabbos.

גבריאלה בת מלכה ברכה, דוד בן שרה, דוד יוסף בן חנה שושנה, זהרה בת אליה, חיה טובה בת בתיה, חיה נועה בת שרונה, חנה בת סימה לאה, חנה בת שושנה, יוכבד יהודית בת ביילה אָתֶל, יוספה הנדל בת גיטל לאה, יחיאל מיכל בן מהשה לאה, לאה אביבה בת עיתה רחל, מאיר משה בן חנה קרינדל, מורדכי פנחס בן הנה, מוריס בן אמליה, מלכה מרים בת איטה, משה יצחק בן טויבי רויזה, נחום בן שרה, קלאוד אסתר רחל בת מרסל, רחל בת גבריאלה, רחל בת נעומי, רחל פראל בת פשה פייגה, שיפרה רבקה בת שרה יינטה, שיראל בת שולה, שרה בת עיתה.

We have begun to count the omer. Make sure you are doing it correctly by attending the Rav's hilchos Sefiras Ha'Omer shiur this Tuesday night. If the lockdown is lifted, the shiur will take place in the Beis Medrash at 20:15. If not, then it will take place on Zoom (meeting ID 426697105). Test yourself first with these questions.

Mishneh Berurah Q&A

Questions and answers culled from the RBSsemicha.com Semicha Program in Shulchan Aruch Orach Chaim with the Mishneh Berurah. For details on this program see www.RBSsemicha.com. Questions written by Lev Seltzer and used with permission.

Q Dovid Berkowitz's son Ariel was born in Boca on Shabbos two weeks after Pesach, and his bris was the following Shabbos. As the father of the child, Dovid would be permitted to shave on Friday for his son's bris. When is the earliest he may shave?

- 1) Thursday after sunset.
- 2) Friday morning after sunrise.
- 3) Friday afternoon, just before sunset.

A 2. Friday morning after sunrise.

Source: 493 M.B. 2

Q Unfortunately, Levy divorced his wife Yocheved in the summer, but they both met each other at a singles retreat during Pesach and decided to remarry right away. However, Levy has the custom to keep the "omer" mourning period from Pesach to Lag B'Omer. When is the earliest that Levy and Yocheved may get married?

- 1) They must wait until Lag B'Omer.
- 2) They may marry immediately after Pesach.

A 2. Levy would be permitted to marry his ex-wife immediately after Pesach. While marriages are normally prohibited during this time period, one is permitted to remarry his ex-wife. However, it should be noted, that a man may only remarry his ex-wife if she is still permitted to him: If the ex-wife married another man after her divorce, she would be forbidden to return to her original husband.

Source: 493 M.B. 1

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The *Kli Yakar* tells us that this idea is not speaking on a physical level—rather on a spiritual level. We see many gentiles who eat all kinds of non-kosher food who are strong and healthy, and therefore Chazal must be referring to something spiritual.

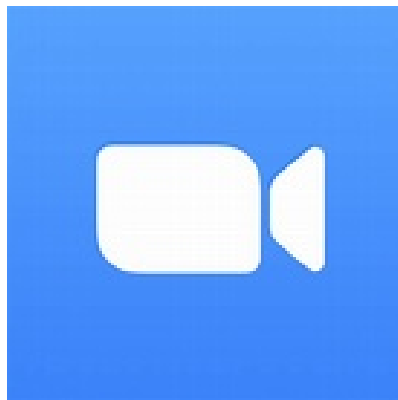
I once saw a novel extension of this idea. The Jews are spread out among the nations of the world, however, they remain a distinguished nation. One way they remain separate is by not eating together with their gentile peers. We are familiar with this idea on Seder night when we raise the cup and say “*V’hi shi’amda l’avoteinu*”: This (that we keep our wine separated, raised above the rest and will not partake in the wine that was touched by a gentile) is what gives *klal Yisrael* the strength to endure our *galus* (hence we have ‘*chaim*’). Possibly the word “*chaya*” in our parsha is alluding to the Jews who eat together with other Jews. Having social events with people who do not have the same beliefs as the Jews can erode not only our religious fervor, but our Jewish identity.

This time in particular, when we find ourselves socially distanced from all others, and not only that, we just spent a week with our lives revolving around religious rituals: Davening, eating the festive meals, learning Torah, and being happy together with our families. We have hopefully come to a realization of where our natural happiness can be found. With this setup and Hashem’s help, when we have a respite from the current lockdown, this should be taken with us into “a normalized life”.

I heard once a *medrash* that says that if a Jewish child would not hear any language until he was three years old, he would on his own naturally begin to speak in *loshen hakodesh*. In a sense, when being detached from others and the secular world, and not having been hearing the things with which we are usually concerned, can give us a new start too. I am sure that all of us when hearing and seeing the news, have already annexed the idea to say some psalms before or after to reinforce our understanding and appreciation that Hashem is in charge and our prayers can make a difference.

With Hashem’s help when we return to “normalization”, we will appreciate the beauty of the *gezeiros* of Chazal, giving us a “social distance.” Yet, many times, we try to overcome the “problem” of *bishul akum* and *stam yainum* in order to have a pleasant cultural experience. However, Chazal designed these halachos to keep us separate from the Gentiles and to give us *chaim* – life! So, while that loophole that you are looking for may lengthen your stay at the cultural event, it may also compromise your Jewish existence!

ZOOM with the Rav



Avrohom Baruch Zachariash

New shiurim and *divrei chizuk* with the Rav and the Rebbezin via ZOOM from their home in Jerusalem. Here is the current schedule:

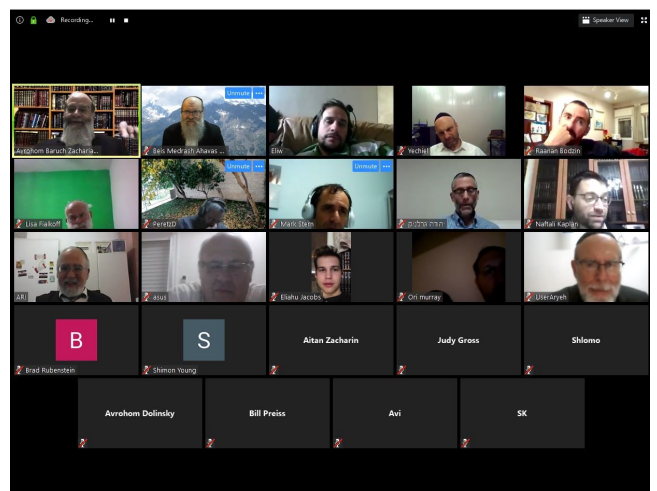
- **NEW!! Pirkei Avos with the Rav**
Thursday 20:30 to 21:00
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85299291196?pwd=YUhXTkhjS2pCZjZGRHdoWUFKZFNsQT09>
- **Tehillim with the Rebbezin**
Sunday to Thursday Afternoon 16:30
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/592298786?pwd=aDYwT08yL1McXRFcHFhSmxTWmxrdz09>
- **Pre-Shabbos Chizuk with the Rav**
Friday 16:00 to 16:15
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/347007983?pwd=ZGVBNNGM5aEM3T0R3ZGFwdTZLWCsvUT09>
- **Mishnayos with the Rav**
Sunday 21:15 to 22:00
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/542842895?pwd=M205ZmpSUUVVQekp0dTRzUXVQUtI3Zz09>
- **Hilchos Sefiras Ha'Omer with the Rav**
Tuesday 20:15 to 21:00
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/426697105?pwd=bn52MXIBdkRXTzk0TGRmOXVSNG44UT09>

You can also dial in to hear the meetings: +972 55 330 1762
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Then use the 9-digit meeting ID from above.

Password for all meetings is the 3 digits for the number of commandments, followed by the 3 digits for the number of commandments.

Most videos are uploaded to the shul's YouTube (www.ahavasshalom.org/youtube) channel an hour or two after the meeting. They are also available via the homepage www.ahavasshalom.org. (Mishnayos and the Rebbezin's tehillim are *not* uploaded at this time, but if there is a demand for Mishnayos, they can be uploaded.)



Weekday times until	ו' (Fri)	ה' (Thu)	ד' (Wed)	ג' (Tue)	ב' (Mon)	א' (Sun)	יום	זמנים לימי חול עד פרישת תזריע-מצורע
Parshas	06:10, 07:15, 08:15, 09:00*	06:20, 07:15, 08:05, 09:00*	06:20, 07:15, 08:05, 09:00*	06:20, 07:15, 08:05, 09:00*	06:20, 07:15, 08:05, 09:00*	06:20, 07:15, 08:05, 09:00*	שחרית	
Tazria/ Metzora	13:30, 17:33, 19:00	13:15, 15:15	13:15, 15:15	13:15, 15:15	13:15, 15:15	13:15, 15:15	מנחה	
	Hall * אולם	20:15*, 21:00	20:15*, 21:00	20:15*, 21:00	20:15*, 21:00	20:15*, 21:00	מעריב	

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