

Choose Wisely

"And Kaleiv stilled the people toward Moshe, and said: 'We should go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it.'" (Bamidbar 13:30)



While nearly everyone wants to do the right thing, many people find it challenging to determine what exactly is the right thing to do! For example, I was asked the following question not long ago: An elderly grandmother and her daughter were unfortunately not on good terms, so the grandchildren helped their grandmother in her own home. One day I received an urgent call from the grandson: His grandmother asked him to bring her to a lawyer so that she could alter her Last Will and Testament by removing her daughter as beneficiary and inserting her grandson in her stead! The grandson told me, "I am willing to do whatever you say. Just tell me what the right thing to do is! Do I help my grandmother and upset my mother, or do I refuse my grandmother's request and make her upset?" (Seems like a lose-lose situation!)

How does one determine what is the right course of action in such a situation? Here is a rule of thumb as to how to approach these decisions, where one is not sure which *Yetzer* is behind each side. This rule is expressed in a story told about Rav Chaim Volozhiner. There was someone who came to Volozhin to collect for an institution of learning. As he appeared to be a true *talmid chacham* and had a pleasant demeanor, he was very successful in his collection efforts. However, people noticed that Rav Chaim didn't give him one cent. This puzzled everyone, but no one dared to ask the Rav why he didn't give him anything. A short time later, this man was exposed not only as an imposter, but as a missionary with

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Mi Shebeirach for Cholim

If you have *cholim* that you would like the Gabbai to mention during Shabbos day davening, please submit these names via email to Mrs. Zakoo at office@ahavasshalom.org by **Thursday at 12:00** (Please write the **Hebrew names** using **Hebrew letters**). This will help to save some time and enable the flow of the Shabbos service to remain consistent. The list was erased on Rosh Chodesh Sivan, and so if necessary please resubmit any names.



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Shabbos Schedule Parshas Shelach Lecha

לוח שבת פרשת שלח לך

Erev Shabbos		ערב שבת
Mincha 1	13:30	מנחה א'
"Early Mincha"	17:56	מנחה "מוקדמת"
Plag Hamincha	18:16	פלג המנחה
Candle Lighting	19:07/19:27	הדלקת נרות
Mincha 3	19:29	מנחה ג'
Sunset	19:47	שקיעה
Shabbos Day		יום השבת
Brachos	08:15	ברכות
Shochein Ad	08:45	שוכן עד
Latest Shema – M. A.	08:12	סוף זמן ק"ש למג"א
Latest Shema – G'ra	09:07	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	18:24	פרקי אבות
Mincha 4	19:00	מנחה ד'
Sunset	19:47	שקיעה
Ma'ariv 1	20:24	מעריב א'
Ma'ariv 2	20:47	מעריב ב'

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Q&A: Stand up for Seated One

Q "Your mother is in the canasta room, but she'll be here to greet you in a moment. Have a seat," said the receptionist to Harry Brochstein, as he was visiting his mother in the Sinai Residences for the Aged. A few minutes later, the nurse Gwenn wheeled Mrs. Brochstein into the room. As Harry's mother is seated in a wheelchair, is Harry obligated to stand up when she enters the room?

A Yes. There is an obligation to stand for a parent when they enter the room. It is irrelevant whether the parent walks into the room unassisted or is even wheeled into the room while lying down on a stretcher.
YD 240:7 PuT Note #25

Q&A: New Deli → Old City

Q "Yitzchak Tzvi, I heard that a 'NY-Style' deli opened in the Old City. Can you please bring me a corned beef sandwich when you come for Shabbos?" asked Mr. Kagan to his son. If Mr. Kagan can afford to pay for the sandwich, may Yitzchak Tzvi use his father's credit card to pay for it and still properly fulfill the mitzvah of honoring his father?



A Yes. The commandment to honor one's parents is to give them food and drink, but the cost of the food is not included in the child's obligation. However, if Yitzchak Tzvi's father could not afford the food, then it would be a mitzvah for Yitzchak Tzvi to pay for it
YD 240:5

GROWTH THROUGH THE PARSHA

WITH
RAV ZACHARIASH
SUNDAY NIGHT

JUNE 11

20:15-21:00

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Shiurim with the Rav

The Rav will be giving two Shiurim this coming week.



SUNDAY 21:15: *Mishnayos*.

TUESDAY: 20:15 **HILCHOS BEIS HAKNESSES**

All shiurim are given in shul and via ZOOM at this link:
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אבות ובנים Shabbos Afternoon: 17:00-18:00



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New Mesechta—Amud Yomi

- Is a frum person allowed to work as a policeman?
- How did Reish Lakish turn from a bandit into a holy Amora?
- Can you clearly say, once and for all, which angel did what in Avraham Avinu's house and Sedom?

Join Ahava's Shalom's Amud Yomi, and start this NEW PEREK full of interesting *Agadetha*, and get all the answers!

Sun-Thurs. mornings 09:25-10:25 In the Ezras Nashim.

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Maggid Shiur, Rabbi Akiva Teichtal
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המשך מעמוד 4

סיכוי שיוכלו לכבוש את הארץ! לכן, כלב אמר, "לא, אנחנו נצליח! הכל ביכולות שלנו!" המשך חכמה ממשיך ומסביר שכאשר בני ישראל היו במדרגה נמוכה יותר במדבר, משה לא זכה לנבואה. אם כן, אנו רואים שבניגוד למה שבני ישראל חשבו, אפילו יכולתו של משה להצליח הייתה תלויה ברמת האמונה והביטחון שלהם. זוהי דוגמה לחשיבות להיות מודע למה שמניע את הבחירות שלנו.

אני מאמין שחשוב לנו להאמין שאנחנו יכולים להצליח בכל מצב שה' שם אותנו. עלינו רק לוודא שנדע איזה יצר מדבר אלינו, על ידי הכלים שקיבלנו מרבותינו. אם נראה מיד שזה הדבר הנכון לעשות, תחשבו פעמיים!! ואם נראה שזה הדבר הלא נכון לעשות, תחשבו שלש פעמים!!!
אני מאחל לכם הרבה הצלחה!

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a school targeting Jewish boys. When Rav Chaim was asked, "How did you know? Do you have *ruach hakodesh*?" he said, "No, it was actually very simple. The man asked me for money, and I was happy to give him the money. However, when one wants to do a mitzvah, usually there is a *yetzer hara* that causes one to be lazy in fulfilling the mitzvah. In this case, I felt a great enthusiasm which usually didn't come with other mitzvos. I therefore understood that this must be the *yetzer hara* telling me to give him money, and so I did not give him anything."

The *Alter of Kelm* (*Chochmah Umusar* 176) speaks about people who feel that they have nothing to offer and therefore walk around feeling depressed. He discusses this psychological phenomenon and explains that it is our obligation to fight against this possible false humility. Feeling down about oneself causes people to not be enthusiastic, or not create high goals of accomplishment for themselves.

The *Meshech Chochmah* explains why it was that the Jews felt that they would not be successful in conquering the land. They saw Moshe perform many miracles for them and they pinned a great deal of trust on their leader: "He is such a *tzaddik*! He can make it all happen! But us, by ourselves, what are we worth?!" Eldad and Meidad at the end of last week's *parsha* prophesized that Moshe would not take the people into *Eretz Yisrael*. The people therefore concluded that on their merits alone, without Moshe, there was no way **they** could conquer the land! Therefore, Kaleiv said, "No, **we** can do it! It is all within **our** power!" The *Meshech Chochmah* goes on to explain that when the *Bnei Yisrael* were on a lower level in the desert, Moshe did not receive prophecy. So, we see that in opposition to what the *Bnei Yisrael* thought, even Moshe's ability to succeed was dependent upon their level of *emunah* and *bitachon*. This is an example of how important it is to be aware of what is driving our choices.

I maintain that it is important for us to believe we can succeed in any situation that Hashem sends us. We just must ensure that we know which *Yetzer* is talking to us, by applying the tools given to us by our teachers. If it sounds like it is the right thing to do, think twice!!

And if it sounds like it is the wrong thing to do, think THREE times!

Wishing you *Hatzlocho*!

PIRKEI AVOS

WITH RAV AVRAHAM BARUCH

ZACHARIASH

This week the Shiur begins at 18:24
and will remain at this time until August 12th.

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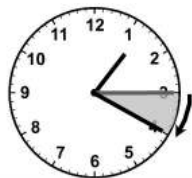
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Big Mincha - Small Change

Due to the lateness of *Mincha Gedolah*, we will be davening mincha at 13:20 for most of the summer starting this TUESDAY.

There will be a period of 3 weeks (July 11 to 31) when the starting time will be pushed to 13:21. Mincha will return to 13:15 on August 23.



משולחנו של הרב אברהם ברוך זכריש

בחרו בחכמה

וַיְהִי כָּל־כֶּלֶב אֶת־הָעָם אֶל־מֹשֶׁה וַיֹּאמֶר עָלֶיךָ נַעֲלֶה וְיִרְשָׁנוּ אֹתָהּ כִּי־יָכֹל נֹכַח לָהּ: (במדבר יג:ל)

בעוד שכמעט כל אחד ואחד רוצים לעשות את הדבר הנכון, לרבים קשה לקבוע מהו בדיוק הכיוון הנכון; למשל, נשאלתי את השאלה הבאה לא מזמן. סבתא מבוגרת ובתה, למרבה הצער, לא היו ביחסים טובים, אז הנכדים עזרו לסבתא שלהם בביתה. יום אחד קיבלתי שיחה דחופה מהנכד: סבתו ביקשה ממנו להביא אותה לעורך דין כדי שתוכל לשנות את צוואתה על ידי סילוק בתה כמוטבת והכנסת נכדיה במקומה! הנכד אמר לי, "אני מוכן לעשות כל מה שתחליט. רק תגיד לי מה הדבר הנכון! לעזור לסבתא שלי ולהרגיז את אמא שלי, או לסרב לבקשתה של סבתי ולהרגיז אותה?" (נראה שזה מצב שכולם מפסידים!)

כיצד ניתן לקבוע מהי דרך הפעולה הנכונה במצב כזה? אציג כלל אצבע כיצד לגשת להחלטות הללו, כאשר לא בטוח איזה יצר עומד מאחורי כל צד.

כלל זה בא לידי ביטוי בסיפור על הרב חיים מוולוז'ין. היה מי שהגיע לוולוז'ין כדי לגייס כספים למוסד הלימוד שלו. כיוון שהוא נראה כתלמיד חכם אמיתי ובעל התנהגות נעימה, הוא הצליח מאוד במאמצי גיוס התרומות. אבל אנשים שמו לב שרב חיים לא נתן לו גרוש אחד. זה התמיה את כולם, אבל איש לא העז לשאול את הרב מדוע הוא לא תרם בכלל. זמן קצר לאחר מכן, האיש הזה נחשף לא רק כמתחזה, אלא כמיסיונר עם בית ספר שמטרתו לצוד נערים יהודים. כאשר נשאל הרב חיים, "איך ידעת? האם היה לך רוח הקודש?" הוא אמר, "לא, זה היה למעשה מאוד פשוט. האיש ביקש ממני כסף, והרגשתי שמח לתרום לו. אולם, בדרך כלל כשיש הזדמנות לקיים מצוה ישנו יצר הרע שגורם להתעצלות בקיום המצווה. במקרה הזה, הרגשתי התלהבות גדולה יוצאת דופן, לפיכך הבנתי שזה בטח ה'יצר הרע' שאומר לי לתרום, ולכן לא נתתי לו כלום."

האלתר מקלם (בחכמה ומוסר קע"ו) מדבר על אנשים שמרגישים שאין להם מה להציע ולכן מסתובבים בתחושת דיכאון. הוא דן בגישה הזו ומסביר שאנחנו מחויבים להילחם נגד זה מכיוון שזה אולי נובע מענווה מזויפת. הרגשת דיכדוך על עצמינו גורמת שלא נתלהב, ושלא ניצור מטרות של הישגים גבוהים.

המשך חכמה מסביר את הסיבה שבני ישראל הרגישו שאינם מסוגלים לכבוש את הארץ. הם ראו שמשו עשה להם ניסים רבים והם נתנו אמון רב במנהיגם: "הוא כזה צדיק! הוא יכול לגרום לכל זה לקרות! אבל אנחנו לבד מה אנחנו שווים?!" בסוף פרשת השבוע שעבר אלדד ומידד התנבאו שמשו לא יכניס את העם לארץ ישראל. העם הגיע אפוא למסקנה שבזכותם בלבד, בלי משה, אין

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מנחה	13:15, 15:15	13:15, 15:15	13:20, 15:15	13:20, 15:15	13:20, 15:15	13:30, 17:58, 19:32	
מערב	20:15, 21:00	20:15, 21:00	20:15*, 21:00	20:15, 21:00	20:15, 21:00	*Hall	

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