

Long Term Effects

"and he shall have it, and his seed after him, the covenant of an everlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and made atonement for the children of Yisra'el." (Bamidbar 25:13)

The Torah tells us that Pinchas was given the *kahuna* as a reward for killing Kozbi. The Gemora in *Zevachim* (101b) tells us not only did he become a *Kohen*, but also those who would be anointed as *Kohanim Gedolim* were descendants of Pinchas. Was that by chance, or was that also part of his reward?



The idea that the actions of a parent can affect future generations is probably most well-known through the story of the family of Eli Hakohen. Eli was cursed that all his descendants would die early – as early as age 18. While Abaye and Rava descended from Eli HaKohen, they each had a different merit which enabled them to live to the ages of 40 and 60, respectively. It is easy to understand that sometimes the sin of a parent has to be rectified through the punishment of the children. Based on this, it must be that Pinchas did something through which he and all his future descendants (See Yerushalmi Yuma 5a) merited to becoming *Kohanim* and even *Kohanim Gedolim*.

I would like to suggest that just as we know that the children of Avraham inherited certain qualities from him (e.g. *chesed*), so too a great act of any parent can embed greatness in his children's genes. This is why the children of Pinchas were befitting to become *kohanim gedolim*.

Nowadays, when people are faced with challenges, they often just give in to the situation, rather than persevering and doing the "right thing". Often, this is because they don't want to leave their comfort zone. Perhaps it is exactly in difficult circumstances such as these that if this person still rises to the occasion, he can modify his own genetic code, enabling him to bequeath this greatness to his offspring.

I would like to reiterate what the Chofetz Chaim (1838-1933) once told Rabbi Schwab (1908-1995), "The reason that I am a *kohen* and you are not is because when Moshe asked, 'Whoever is for G-d, gather around me' (Shemos 32:26) my ancestors came forward and yours did not."

The Chofetz Chaim then looked at Rav Schwab and said to him, "What do you think? I'm trying to make you feel bad?"

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Lifecycles

Mazel Tov to Rabbi Reuven Mendlowitz and the entire Ahavas Shalom *kehilla* on the completion of *Sefer Ahavas Chessed* this past Shabbos!



Don't Be Left Out!

When you have a simcha (or R"L a sad event), it is so easy to have it included in the next newsletter! Just send an email to lev@ahavasshalom.org! Deadline is 11:00 Thursday.



Reminder: Sending an instant message, an email, or speaking to anyone else will probably result in your announce-

Service Notice:

This is the last week that the 19:00 Mincha Minyon will meet on Shabbos Afternoon. The minyon will resume again next summer.

זה השבוע האחרון של מנחה בשעה 19:00 בשבת. המיניון יתחדש שוב בקיץ הבא.

Shabbos Schedule Parshas Pinchas

לוח שבת פרשת פינחס

Erev Shabbos		ערב שבת
Mincha 1	13:30	מנחה א'
"Early Mincha"	17:54	מנחה "מוקדמת"
Plag Hamincha	18:14	פלג המנחה
Candle Lighting	19:03/19:23	הדלקת נרות
Mincha 3	19:25	מנחה ג'
Sunset	19:43	שקיעה
Shabbos Day		יום השבת
Brachos	08:15	ברכות
Shochein Ad	08:45	שוכן עד
Latest Shema – M. A.	08:28	סוף זמן ק"ש למג"א
Latest Shema – G'ra	09:20	סוף זמן ק"ש לגר"א
Mincha 1	13:30	מנחה א'
Mincha 2	18:00	מנחה ב'
Pirkei Avos Shiur	18:24	פרקי אבות
Mincha 3	19:00	מנחה ג'
Sunset	19:42	שקיעה
Ma'ariv 1	20:19	מעריב א'
Ma'ariv 2	20:42	מעריב ב'

Communal Kinos

We sincerely hope that the Geula will arrive this year, and instead of Kinos, we will be singing praises to Hashem with hearts full of joy. But in the event this does not occur...

In light of the inspiring presentations the past few years, the Rav enthusiastically supports participation by members of the Kehilla in introducing the Kinos on Tisha B'Av morning. Presentations should be approximately 2-3 minutes in length to share with the Kehilla your thoughts, feelings and explanations on your chosen Kina.

The list of available kinos is found at ahavasshalom.org/kinos. Check this page also to see which kinos you may have presented in a previous year so that you can select a different Kina for this year.

Please contact Peretz Dissen (Peretz@ahavasshalom.org or 054-566-5084) with the Kina you would prefer to introduce, and an alternate or two in case of conflicting requests, or to be assigned one.

**“כל המתאבל על ירושלים –
זוכה ורואה בשמחתה”**

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Chas V'Sholom! But I want to teach you a lesson. Many times in life you will hear a little voice in your head saying, 'Whoever is for G-d, gather around me.' There will be circumstances, where you will have to decide in whose camp are you? I want you to know that questions and challenges like that have implications not only for you but for generations and generations after you. Because your grandfather did not answer in the affirmative to 'Who is for G-d, gather to me', you are excluded from the Temple Service, even thousands of years later. Because my grandfather said yes, I am a *Kohen* now and I am going to do the Temple Service."

I believe that Rabbi Schwab, who repeated this story on many occasions, felt empowered because of this message. This message, which Rav Schwab absorbed, actually made him into one of those great figures who go down in our history. Many of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren feel the obligation to make a difference in society, as well.

The Three Weeks are upon us, and we have all kinds of laws and restrictions. There are many people who may be thinking to themselves, "Does what I do really make a difference"? The answer is, "Yes, you are making a difference!" Let us all merit, not only to believe in Hashem, but to believe that we have the ability to make a difference – not only in our own lives, but to our future generations as well.

Tisha B'Av



אבות ובנים

17:00-18:00

SHABBOS AFTERNOON!

17:30-18:00 Junior Avos uBanim

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PIRKEI AVOS
WITH RAV AVROHOM BARUCH
ZACHARIASH

This Shabbos after the second *Mincha* – about 18:24.

Mi Shebeirach for Cholim

Reminder: If you would like the Gabbai to read the name of a *choleh* on Shabbos during the *Mi SheBeirach*, you must submit it via Email to Mrs. Zakoo by Thursday!



Send your list of Hebrew Names using Hebrew Letters to Mrs. Zakoo at office@ahavasshalom.org. The list is erased each Rosh Chodesh, so you'll need to resubmit the names after a month if they are still relevant.

Thank you for following this procedure which enables us to have the Shabbos service run more smoothly!

Question from the Q&A book from RBSsemicha.com

Q&A: Shivering during the Shiva

Q Moshe Rosenberg was sitting Shiva for his son Tyler, but there weren't enough Jews in Damascus, PA, to form a minyon in his home. So he got in his pickup truck and drove to Anshei Emes in Honesdale. But on the second day of shiva it was too cold to go outside without a coat, so he put on a heavy coat over his ripped overalls. Is Moshe required to rip this overcoat, since it is now his "outer garment"?



A No. The custom is to not rip an overcoat since it is considered a temporary garment, normally worn outside for the cold and rain. This is true even if it is so cold inside the house that Moshe needed to wear a heavy coat inside. However, sweaters and short jackets which are normally worn inside the home, would have to be ripped.

YD 340:10

Q&A: Saving a Patient—and a Uniform

Q Just after midnight, Mel Hoffman's mother went into cardiac arrest. The nurse on duty at the Sinai Nursing Home quickly called an ambulance, and Eli the



EMT rushed Mrs. Hoffman to the Boca Health Care Center. But during the ride, Mrs. Hoffman flat-lined, and even though Eli tried valiantly to bring her back, he was unable to do so, and she was declared dead upon arrival. Since Eli was present at the time of death, is he obligated to rip his clothing?

A No. While the rule is that anyone present at the exact moment of death is obligated to rip his clothing, the custom developed to exempt doctors and medical staff. This was due to the fear that if these professionals had to rip their clothing each and every time a patient died, they might opt to stay away from a patient at these critical moments before death rather than be with the patient and potentially lose another outfit. There are those who even extend this leniency to non-medical staff so that no one will leave the dying patient alone due to financial concerns.

YD 340 "Gesher HaChaim"

GROWTH THROUGH THE PARSHA

WITH RAV ZACHARIASH

SUNDAY

AUG 4

NO SHIUR JULY 28

20:15-21:00

SHUL HALL • FOR WOMEN

ALL SHIURIM ARE RECORDED AND AVAILABLE ON AHAVASSHALOM.ORG



Shiurim with the Rav

The Rav will be giving 2 shiurim this coming week:

SUNDAY 21:15: *Mishnayos*—Now Learning *Mikvaos*!

TUESDAY 20:15: Laws of the Three Weeks and Tisha B'Av.

All shiurim are given in shul and via ZOOM at this link:

cutt.ly/AhavasShalomZoom

Past shiurim are archived at ahavasshalom.org/yt-videos



Netziv Hayom

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15 Tamuz sponsored by Pinchas and Toby Fader
in memory of Pinchas' Father

לע"נ אליעזר בן ברוך ז"ל

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לדעתי, הרב שוואב, שחזר על הסיפור הזה בהזדמנויות רבות, חש עוצמה בגלל המסר הזה. המסר הזה, שספג הרב שוואב, למעשה הפך אותו לאחת מאותן דמויות גדולות שנכנסות להיסטוריה שלנו. גם רבים מצאצאיו חשים את הרצון לשפר את החברה.

תקופת בין המצרים בעיצומה, ויש לנו כל מיני הלכות והגבלות. ישנם אנשים רבים שאולי חושבים לעצמם, "האם מה שאני עושה באמת משנה?" התשובה היא, "כן, וכן!" שנזכה, שביחד עם אמונתנו בה, שנאמין שיש לנו את היכולת לשנות - לא רק את החיים שלנו, אלא גם של הדורות הבאים.

Mishmar!

Thank you to Peretz and Debbie Dissen for sponsoring the Mishmar, which resulted in some very interesting discussions on living in Eretz Yisrael. Videos of the Rav's shiurim are available online.



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Times are Changing!

The first weekday Mincha returns to 13:20 on Wed., July 31. It will switch to 13:15 on Aug 22.



Weekday times until Parshas Matos-Masei	יום (Fri)	יום (Thu)	יום (Wed)	יום (Tue)	יום (Mon)	יום (Sun)	יום	זמנים לימי חול עד פרשת מטות-מסעי
	06:20, 07:15, 08:15	06:20, 07:15, 08:10	06:20, 07:15, 08:10	06:20, 07:15, 08:10	06:20, 07:15, 08:10	06:20, 07:15, 08:10	שחרית	
	13:30, 17:50, 19:20	13:20, 15:15	13:20, 15:15	13:21, 15:15	13:21, 15:15	13:21, 15:15	מנחה	
	*Hall	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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משולחנו של הרב אברהם ברוך זכריש

השפעות ארוכות טווח

הייתה לו ולזרעו אחריו ברית כהנת עולם תחת אשר קנא לאלקיו ויכפר על-בני ישראל: (במדבר כה:יג)

התורה אומרת שפנחס קיבל כהונה כשכר על הריגת כזבי. ולא רק זה, אלא גם "שלא היו כהנים גדולים אלא מפנחס" (וזבחים קא:ב רש"י ד"ה לייחס זרעו אחריו). האם זה גם היה חלק מהשכר שלו?

הרעיון שמעשי האבות יכולים להשפיע על הדורות הבאים מוכר היטב מהסיפור על משפחתו של עלי הכהן. עלי קבל קללה שכל צאצאיו ימותו מוקדם – אפילו מגיל 18. אביו ורבה היו צאצאי עלי הכהן, לרבה היתה זכות לימוד התורה והוא חי עד גיל 40, ולאביו היתה זכות תורה וגמילות חסדים וחי עד לגיל 60. קל להבין שלפעמים יש לתקן את חטאם של האבות באמצעות עונשם של הבנים. לכן צריך להיות שפנחס עשה משהו שבאמצעותו הוא (וראה ירושלמי יומא ה א) וכל צאצאיו העתידיים זכו להיות כהנים ואפילו כהנים גדולים.

אני רוצה להציע שכפי שאנו יודעים שילדיו של אברהם ירשו ממנו תכונות מסוימות (כגון מדת החסד), כך מעשים גדולים של כל הורה יכולים להטמיע גדולה בגנים של ילדיו. זו הסיבה שבני פנחס היו ראויים להיות כהנים גדולים.

כיום, כאשר אנשים מתמודדים עם אתגרים, הם לרוב פשוט נכנעים למצב, במקום להתמיד ולעשות את "הדבר הנכון". בדרך כלל זה בגלל שהם לא רוצים לעזוב את אזור הנוחות שלהם. אולי דווקא במצבים קשים כמו אלה, אם האדם הזה בכל זאת יתעלה, הוא יכול לשנות את הקוד הגנטי שלו, שיאפשר לו להוריש את הגדולה הזו לצאצאיו.

אני רוצה לחזור על מה שאמר פעם החפץ חיים לרבי שוואב, "הסיבה שאני כהן ואתה לא היא כי כשמשה שאל, 'מי לה' אלי' (שמות לב:כו) אבותי נאספו אליו ושלך לא."

הסתכל החפץ חיים על הרב שוואב ואמר לו: "אתה חושב שאני מנסה לגרום לך להרגיש רע? חס וחלילה! אני רק רוצה ללמד אותך לקח. הרבה פעמים בחיים תשמע בראשך קול קטן שאומר, 'מי לה' אלי'. יהיו מצבים שתצטרך להחליט במחנה של מי אתה? אני רוצה שתדע שלשאלות ואתגרים כאלה יש השלכות לא רק עליך אלא על דורי דורות אחרים. מכיוון שסבא שלך לא ענה בחיוב על 'מי לה' אלי', אתה נמנע מעבודת המקדש, גם אלפי שנים לאחר מכן. ובגלל שסבא שלי אמר כן, אני כהן ואני ראוי לעשות עבודה בבית המקדש."

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