

An Acquired Taste

With regard to the Monn, it is written "bread" (Exodus 16:4), and it is written "oil" (Numbers 11:8), and it is written "honey" (Exodus 16:31). How can we reconcile these verses? **Rabbi Yosi, son of Rabbi Chanina, said: For the youth it was like bread, for the elderly it was like oil, and for the children it was like honey. Each received what was appropriate.** (Yoma 75b)



The Jewish people are known as "The People of the Book", as they spend an enormous amount of time and effort learning about their religion. The fact that the lay people in *klal Yisroel* are commanded to spend a disproportionate time learning the laws of their religion, is unique to Judaism. In most other religions, as long as one does not transgress the laws one is doing OK. There is no commandment to study the laws, just not to transgress them. We, on the other hand, consider learning about all the laws of Judaism a central aspect of our religion. In addition, the *mitzvah* of Talmud Torah is even equivalent to all other *mitzvos* combined!

After internalizing the importance of leaning Torah, one must determine what is it that he should learn. Whether one is the greatest of scholars or the simplest school child the material one learns may be the same. The *Gadol hador* and the young boy in first grade both must learn Bereishis. The only difference is the depth of ones' learning differs in order that everyone can learn the whole Torah, each at their own level. This makes our torah universal and personal at the same time. To quote a well-known *Mashgiach*, "Torah is the only thing in the world that both a 5-year-old and a 90-year-old can learn and enjoy."

This may be understood better, based on an explanation given by Rav Meir Shapiro (1887-1933) for the saying, "Lo nitna ha torah ela l'ochlei hamon—The Torah was given specifically to the generation that ate *monn*." What was unique about the *monn*? It tasted to each individual exactly as he liked it. In other words, it was personally tailored to his taste at that particular time.

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Lifecycles

Mazel Tov to **Shimon and Shalhevet Solway** on the birth of a grandson to their children **Kayla and Ahron Maslin**.



The kehilla offers condolences to **Mrs. Phyllis Perl** on the loss of her brother **Shmuel Rey**.



Mazel Tov to **Avrohom and Etta Winer** on the birth of a grandson to their children **Sarah and Moishe Weiner** from RBS-G last erev Shabbos.



Mazel Tov to **Yisroel & Bella Helprin** on the birth of a great-granddaughter to their grandchildren **Yocheved & Moishe Hirschberg** of Lakewood, NJ



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Shabbos Schedule Parshas Beshalach לוח שבת פרשת בשלח

Erev Shabbos		ערב שבת
Mincha 1	12:30	מנחה א'
Candle Lighting	16:42/17:02	הדלקת נרות
Mincha 2	17:04	מנחה ב'
Sunset	17:22	שקיעה
Shabbos Day		יום השבת
Brachos	08:00	ברכות
Shochein Ad	08:30	שוכן עד
Latest Shema – M. A.	08:25	סוף זמן ק"ש למג"א
Latest Shema – G'ra	09:11	סוף זמן ק"ש לגר"א
Mincha 1	13:00	מנחה א'
Pele Yoetz Shiur	16:25	פלא יועץ
Mincha 2	16:40	מנחה ב'
Sunset	17:23	שקיעה
Ma'ariv 1	18:00	מעריב א'
Ma'ariv 2	18:23	מעריב ב'

Leil Shabbos Learning and Onegs

יש לי זוג - ושבית שמו

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Dozens of Men and Boys are learning every Leil Shabbos in our Beis Medrash
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This is similar to the Torah, which can be learned by each individual on his specific level in that exact moment. We all ate the same *monn*, but it tasted different to each person, pleasing each person's unique palate. So too, the Torah that we learn may be the exact same verse, but it could have a different meaning to every individual.

This week as we learn about the *monn*, we should think about the Torah as well, understanding that the Torah was made just for **me!** It can taste just right for what I need at this time. We should keep in mind that there is a piece of Torah that is appropriate for us at every given specific moment. Our job is to find it.



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אבות ובנים



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Boi B'Shalom

Meeting every Erev Shabbos
30 minutes before Mincha.
This week at 16:34



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Shiurim with the Rav

The Rav will be giving 2 shiurim this coming week:

SUNDAY 21:15: *Mishnayos - Mikvaos*

TUESDAY 20:15: **NEW!!** *Hilchos Yom Tov*

All shiurim are given in shul and via ZOOM at this link:
cutt.ly/AhavasShalomZoom

Shiurim are archived at ahavasshalom.org/youtube



Questions that appear in this newsletter come from RBSsemicha.com. Four volumes of questions are now available in print. See rbssemicha.com/books for more information.

The Tuesday Halacha shiur is now learning *Hilchos Yom Tov*—see how well you do with these questions

Q&A: A Nutty Way to Warm Up

Levy and Yocheved needed some time alone and, after a phone call to Bernie Lowenstein, the two of them drove up to his cabin outside Fallsdale for the last two days of Pesach. On the 7th night, the weather was lovely in the evening but, by midnight, the temperature had dropped to almost freezing, and the two of them had forgotten to turn on the heat. There was one log that someone else had already prepared in the fireplace, so they transferred a fire to the fireplace and began searching for more fuel. Yocheved suggested that they use the 20 or so walnut and almond shells that they had discarded during dessert as a fuel. May they use these shells to heat up the cabin?



No. These shells are considered *mukseh* and may not be moved. This is because, at the start of Yom Tov, these shells were considered human food. Now that the walnuts and almonds have been removed from the inside, they are considered animal food — the animal food was created on Yom Tov and, therefore, has a status of *nolad* and may not be used. Note that while they may not be used for fuel, if Yocheved finds these shells to be offensive, she may dispose of them in the rubbish bin. .

OC 501 M.B. 30

Q&A: Coals to Ignition

The men came home from shul on Shavuot morning soon after Maida Brochstein finished grilling the chickens. It was such a delightful day that Harry Brochstein decided to eat lunch on the deck next to the pool. But, after a few minutes outside, the mosquitoes began to bite. Fortunately, he had a citronella candle ready to ward off these mosquitoes — he just needed to transfer a flame. While he could go into the house, he saw that the grill next to the pool had coals that were still glowing red — albeit without a flame. May Harry take a match, stick it into the coals so that the heat ignites it, and then transfer the flame to the citronella candle?



Yes. Since the coals are red hot, they are considered to have a fire, and it would be permitted to transfer this fire via a match. Many hold that this is the reason that one may put a match to an electric stove that is glowing red. However, one may not put a match next to an object that is merely hot in order to try to obtain a flame, and certainly one may not rub the match along this hot surface in order to get the sulfur on the match to ignite.

OC 502 M.B. 4

MESECHTA ROSH HASHANAH



siyum at the *Melaveh Malkah*!



You don't need to come, but you do need to complete part of the *Melaveh Malkah* (it will be handed out at the next learning session)

Pele Yoetz Shiur

Continuing this Shabbos afternoon, Rav Zachariash will give his shiur for men on **Pele Yoetz**. This week, the shiur will begin at **16:25** in the hall on the topic **טרף**.



Proper Payments

Please don't put cash into the *pushka* to try to pay an outstanding shul obligation. Instead, give your cash to a vaad member, or just pay using Nedarim Plus.



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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.



משולחנו של הרב אברהם ברוך זכריש

טעם נרכש

(בעניין המן) כְּתִיב "לֶחֶם", וּכְתִיב "שֶׁמֶן", וּכְתִיב "דָּבֵשׁ". אָמַר רַבִּי יוֹסִי בְּרַבִּי חֲנִינָא: לְנֹעָרִים — לֶחֶם, לְזָקֵנִים — שֶׁמֶן, לְתִינוּקוֹת — דָּבֵשׁ. (יומא עה:)



עם ישראל מכונה

"עם הספר", מכיוון

שמשקיעים כמות עצומה של זמן ומאמץ בלימוד תורתנו. העובדה שהאנשים הרגילים בכלל ישראל מצווים להשקיע זמן רב בלימוד

הלכות התורה, היא ייחודית ליהדות. ברוב הדתות האחרות, אין מצווה ללמוד לעומק את החוקים, אלא כל עוד שלא עוברים על החוקים זה בסדר. עבורנו, לעומת זאת, לימוד התורה היא היבט מרכזי בדת שלנו. בנוסף, מצוות "תלמוד תורה כנגד כולם!"

לאחר שהפנמנו את החשיבות של לימוד התורה, יש לקבוע מה צריכים ללמוד. בין גדול המלומדים ובין הילד התמים ביותר, החומר הנלמד עשוי להיות זהה. גדול הדור והילד בכיתה א' שניהם צריכים ללמוד פרשת בראשית. ההבדל היחיד הוא שעומק הלמידה של כל אדם שונה, כך שכל אחד יוכל ללמוד את כל התורה לפי הרמה שלו. זה הופך את התורה שלנו לכללית ואישית בו זמנית. כפי שאמר משגיח ידוע, "תורה היא הדבר היחיד בעולם שגם בן 5 וגם בן 90 יכולים ללמוד ולהנות ממנו".

אפשר להבין את זה טוב יותר, על סמך הסבר שנתן הרב מאיר שפירא לאמירה "לא ניתנה התורה אלא לאוכלי המן" מה היה ייחודי במן? זה היה טעים לכל אחד בדיוק כמו שהוא אוהב. במילים אחרות, זה היה מותאם אישית לטעמו באותה זמן.

וזה הדומה ללימוד התורה, שכל אדם יכול ללמוד ברמתו הספציפית באותו רגע בדיוק. כולנו אכלנו את אותו מן, אבל טעמו שונה לכל אדם, מותאם לחיך הייחודי שלו. כך גם התורה שאנו לומדים היא אולי אותו פסוק בדיוק, אבל יכולה להיות לה משמעות שונה לכל אדם.

השבוע כשאנחנו קוראים פרשת המן, עלינו לחשוב שגם התורה נוצרה רק בשבילי! זה יכול "לטעום" בדיוק למה שאני צריך באותו זמן. צריכים לזכור שיש חלק בתורה שמתאים לנו בכל רגע נתון. התפקיד שלנו הוא למצוא אותו.

Learning and Oneg Shabbos

16:34 Boi BeShalom Kids' programs (Girls and Boys)

20:30 Boys: Learning followed by Oneg Shabbos at **21:00**

20:30-21:30 Bochorim: Learning with special snack table

20:30 Adults: Beis Medrash Learning or *Alshich Hakadosh* shiur from R' Avishai Hill followed by Oneg Shabbos **21:30**

Weekday times until Parshas Yisro	י'(Fri)	ה'(Thu)	ד'(Wed)	ג'(Tue)	ב'(Mon)	א'(Sun)	יום	זמנים
	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	לימי חול
	12:30, 17:10	13:00, 15:15	13:00, 15:15	13:00, 15:15	13:00, 15:15	13:00, 15:15	מנחה	עד פרשת
	*Hall	19:00, 21:00	19:00, 21:00	19:00, 21:00	19:00, 21:00	19:00, 21:00	מעריב	יתרו

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