

## Parashat Va'era • פ' וַאֲרָא

### PARNESS HAYOM SHEVAT

These Days of Learning have been dedicated to the memory of the following by members of their family.

#### 2 Shevat

Drazin Family in memory of mother, Gertrude Drazin (Gittel bat Harav Moshe Halevi z'l)

#### 9 Shevat

Russell & Steven Samuels in memory of grandfather, Aron Eichenbaum (Shmuel Aharon ben Yisrael Lev z'l)

#### 11 Shevat

Dr. Hyman Schipper in memory of David Jacob Rubenstein (Dovid Yaacov ben Yechekiel z'l)

#### 14 Shevat

Mr. & Mrs. Aron Lieberman in memory of mother-in-law and mother Esther bat Shiah Zeileg, z'l

#### 17 Shevat

Bobby Shaul in memory of father, Norman Shaul (Natan Zev ben Nachman Halevi z'l)

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### Parenting Lesson:

#### Punishing a Child Who Refuses to Help

Rav Shlomo Aviner

#### Question:

Is it permissible not to give a child candy, when everyone else is getting, because he refuses to help in the house?

**Answer:** In general, one does not need to use punishment in educating a child, since we want him to help willingly and not because of pressure. We want him to understand that not only is there an obligation to help, but it is meritorious and pleasant to help. It is not possible to achieve this goal by force.

In rare instances, one needs to use force if a child is doing something dangerous and we need to punish him, but in general this is not the way. If we force him to help, he will look for every possible way to get out of helping and/or he will have a bitter taste of helping when he grows up.

You should therefore talk to him – not during the time you are asking him to help but at an opportune time – and say: There are many chores to do in house, and we work hard for everyone. Everyone in the family needs to do one chore. Give him a list and everyone can choose what they would like to do. And when they do it, give them a prize. Otherwise, helping will be seen as a punishment. More than him helping in this particular instance, we want to affect his character, and this is impossible by force.

Ha-Rav Yisachar Shlomo Teichtal related a beautiful idea in his book "Eim Ha-Banim Semeichah" (pp. 78-79): "I heard something beautiful on this idea in the name of our Rabbi, the brilliant and holy man of G-d, R' Bunim of Peshischa on the verse (Shir Ha-Shirim 1:4): 'Draw me, we will run after You.' He explains that there are two ways to acquire an animal by 'Meshichah' (pulling): 1. The buyer calls the animal and it follows after him. 2. He hits the animal with a stick and it runs in front of him.

In each of these methods, he acquires the animal through 'Meshichah.' The only difference is that in the first way of 'Meshichah' when he calls to the animals, the owner walks ahead and the animal follows after him, while in the second way of 'Meshichah' when he hits the animal, the animal walks in front and the owner is behind. Which method of 'Meshichah' is preferred by the animal?

The 'Meshichah' by calling is certainly preferable since he does not experience any pain. The 'Meshichah' by hitting hurts him and he suffers from the blow." We therefore see that the way of encouraging the child to help is by calling out to him in love.

*Rabbi Shlomo Chaim haKohen Aviner is the rosh yeshiva of the Ateret Cohanim yeshiva in the Muslim Quarter of Jerusalem and the rabbi of Bet El. He is considered one of the spiritual leaders of the Religious Zionist movement.*

1st of Shevat 5770 • January 16, 2009  
 Shabbat Begins: 4:20pm • Shabbat Ends: 5:27pm  
 Haftara: Isaiah 66:1-24

# WINTER SESSION @ KTM

8:15-9pm	<b>MONDAYS</b> JANUARY 11 • 18 • 25 • FEB. 1 • 8
	<b>The Ramban on the Torah</b> with Rav Ido Tauber This class will explore the unique commentary of the Ramban, including topics on faith and philosophy according to the weekly parasha.
	<b>TUESDAYS</b> JANUARY 12 • 19 • 26 • FEB. 2 • 9
	<b>Parashat Hashavua</b> with Rav Yishai Lisner An in depth look at the weekly parasha using the commentaries of our sages and other Torah commentaries with a special focus on relating these teaching to our daily lives.
	<b>WEDNESDAYS</b> JANUARY 13 • 20 • 27 • FEB. 3 • 10
	<b>"Orach Chaim"</b> with Rav Ido Tauber Exploration of Jewish law that pertain to daily life using the Shulchan Aruch and Midrash Brurah.
	<b>THURSDAYS</b> JANUARY 14 • 19 • 26 • FEB. 4 • 11
	<b>Parashat Hashavua</b> with Rav Ido Tauber For or CEGEP and University Students.
<b>Daily Maariv: Monday-Thursday @ 9pm</b>	
9:15 - 10PM	<b>Individual Study Groups with Kollel Staff</b> Study groups: Bekiut Gemera, Classic Jewish Philosophy and Halacha. Please call our office to join an existing group. Monday-Thursdays.
WOMEN'S BEIT MIDRASH	<b>Insight into Sefer Tehilim</b> with Eddie Shostak This class will analyze David Hamelech (King David)'s monumental work through study of the literary structure of selected Psalms with a broad overview of Early and Later commentaries. <b>TUES., 9:30am JAN. 5 • 12 • 19 • 26</b>
	<b>Tehilim Group</b> Completion of the entire Book of Tehilim and prayer for those who are ill. <b>TUES. 10:30am &amp; WED. 4:00pm</b>

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Grade 10 Gilrs Shabbaton  
& Grade 8 Boys Shabbaton**  
*Friday night, January 22, 2009*  
**Special Tu Bishvat**  
**Parent-Child Learning Program**  
*Motzei Shabbat, January 30, 2010*  
**Bnei Akiva Elementary School Purim Party**  
*Sunday, February 14, 2010*  
**High School Purim Party**  
*Wednesday, February 17, 2010*  
**Annual Raffle Draw**  
*Thursday, February 18, 2010*  
**Purim Seudah**  
*Sunday, February 28, 2010*  
**Pesach Yom Iyun**  
*Sunday, March 14, 2010*  
**Aliyah Fair**  
in conjunction with the Jewish Agency  
*Thursday, March 18, 2010*

## CARLEBACH KABBALAT SHABBAT



Join the TBDJ Youth Minyan with KTM, B'nei Akiva, BIBA Youth Minyan, NCSY, and Beth Zion Youth for a lively Carlebach Kabbalat Shabbat.

**Rosh Chodesh Shevat—January 15th, 2010**  
in the TBDJ Social Hall  
Mincha starting at 4:15pm

All high-school students (and others) are invited to attend.  
That same night, students in grades 7-8 and grades 9-11 will be having an Oneg Shabbat at TBDJ, hosted by Rabbi Steinmetz, starting at 8:30 p.m.  
We look forward in seeing you all there!

Kollel Torah Mitzion has a core faculty of graduates from Hesder Yeshivot in Israel who come here to serve as teachers and role models in our community. The core of the Kollel is the Beit Midrash which features a full schedule of classes as well as a drop-in center with a warm atmosphere where all, regardless of background, feel comfortable.

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