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Chava Leah bas Chaya Sarah

~ for a Refuah Sheleimah Ukrovah! ~

Mazel Tov **Major Avraham Tzvi Antopolsky** (Atlanta, GA)

~ Bar Mitzvah Yud-Gimmel Elul ~

May he grow to be a Chossid, Yerei Shomayim, and Lamdan, and bring much nachas to the Rebbe and to his family!

Mazel Tov **First Lieutenant Aryeh Leibush Greenfeld** (Crown Heights)

~ 9th birthday Yud-Gimmel Elul ~

Shnas Bracha Vehatzlacha!

Mazel Tov **Perel Stein** (Southfield, Michigan)

~ birthday Yud-Gimmel Elul ~

Shnas Bracha Vehatzlacha!

CHUMASH :: Parshas Ki Savo - Sheini with Rashi

We are continuing to learn the words of Moshe Rabbeinu about the *mitzvos* the Yidden will be doing when they come into Eretz Yisroel.

On *Erev Pesach* in the fourth year of *Shemitah*, a person needs to check and make sure that he gave all of the *Terumah* and *Maaser* he owes.

He has to make sure that none of it is left in his house! Then he says the *Vidui Maaser*, telling Hashem that he did his job! He gave all of the presents he was supposed to, in the right order, the way Hashem wants. He didn't make it *tomei*, or use it for the wrong things. He used the *Terumah* and *Maaser* to make people happy, like Hashem wants!

At the end, he says: Hashem! I did what you asked me to do! Now You should do what You promised — to give the Yidden *brachos*!

TEHILLIM :: 69 - 71

Today's *shiur Tehillim* is *kapitelach Samach-Tes, Ayin, and Ayin-Alef*. We also say three *kapitelach* for *Elul: Lamed-Zayin, Lamed-Ches, and Lamed-Tes*.

In today's *Tehillim*, we say a *posuk* "**Yemalei Fi Tehilasecha**." "My mouth should be full of Your praises."

The *Gemara* says that we learn from here that when we say a *bracha*, our mouth needs to be FULL of the *bracha*. That's why we shouldn't say a *bracha* with food in our mouth — our mouth should be full of Hashem's *bracha*, not full of food!

In today's shiur Tehillim, there are niggunim in EVERY kapitel! Can you find them? Do you know how to sing them all?

TANYA :: Igeres Hakodesh Siman Yud-Daled

The Alter Rebbe is telling *Chassidim* that they need to give *tzedakah* like they did when Colel Chabad just started and it was new and exciting — but now, they should give even more!

Why?

There is a special *Ruchnius'dike Chayus* from Hashem that shines into the world every year. At the end of the year, the *mitzvos* we did all year go up to Hashem, and through the blowing of the *Shofar* and the *Tefillos* of *Rosh Hashana*, a new and stronger *chayus* comes into the world. First it comes into Eretz Yisroel, and from there, it shines into the whole world!

This *chayus* is hidden, but if Yidden do *teshuvah* (especially during *Aseres Yemei Teshuvah*) and do what Hashem wants, we will be able to feel it and benefit from it!

Since there is a new *chayus* this year, we need to also give *tzedakah* with a new *chayus*! Even though we already heard about this *tzedakah* before, it should feel new and exciting, and we should want to give a lot.

This *tzedakah* we are giving will also be the *zechus* for us to FEEL the new *chayus* from Hashem that comes into the world in the new year!

HAYOM YOM :: Yud-Gimmel Elul

In today's *Hayom Yom*, we learn what happens to a *chossid* the first time he goes into *Yechidus*.

We all know what a *bris* is.

A baby boy is born with an extra piece of skin called the *Orlah*, which needs to be taken off. This is the *mitzvah* of *Bris Milah*! Once a baby has a *Bris Milah*, his body becomes connected to Hashem.

There is also a *Ruchnius'dike* kind of *Bris Milah*!

We are born with ways of thinking that come from the *Yetzer Hara*. These ideas can cover over our *Neshama*, like an extra piece of skin, and make it harder for us to be connected to Hashem!

The *Chossid* R' Chanoch Hendel said that all *Chassidim* knew that when a *Chossid* goes into *Yechidus*, he gets a "*bris milah*" for his *Neshama*! Once a *chossid* goes into *Yechidus* for the first time, that "*Orlah*," the *grobkeit* and way of thinking of the *Yetzer Hara*, are taken away, and he can now think and feel like a *Chossid*!

It only takes one time for a Chossid to go to the Rebbe, and it changes him forever!

SEFER HAMITZVOS :: Shiur #174 - Mitzvas Asei #90

(Mitzvas Asei #90) Today's mitzvah is that if a *korban* became *tomei*, we need to burn it.

We learn this mitzvah from a *posuk* in Parshas Tzav: וְהַבִּשָּׁר אֲשֶׁר יִגַע בְּכָל טִמְאָה לֹא יֵאָכֵל בְּאֶשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל

The details of this mitzvah are explained in *Mesechta Pesachim*, and at the end of *Mesechta Temurah*.

RAMBAM :: Hilchos Pesulei HaMukdashin

In today's Rambam, we learn more about the *kavanah* we have when bringing a *korban*. The wrong *kavana* can make the *korban* no good.

Perek Yud-Zayin: This *perek* teaches us what happens if someone had the wrong *kavanah* for PART of bringing the *korban* — like when sprinkling the blood, or when bringing one of a pair of two sheep as a *korban*. Sometimes the WHOLE *korban* becomes *Pigul* and we can't use it!

Perek Yud-Ches: It is a *Mitzvas Lo Saasei* that we are not allowed to make *korbanos tomei*, and a person is punished for it. But a person is not punished for making a *korban Pigul* (for planning on doing something wrong with a *korban*), because a *Beis Din* can only punish someone for DOING something, not for thinking something.

Other problems for a *korban* are *Nosar*, meat left past the time we are supposed to eat it, and if a *tomei* person touches a *korban*. We learned these mitzvos in *Sefer Hamitzvos* during the last few days.

Perek Yud-Tes: Now the Rambam explains the *halachos* of what to do with *Tomei*, *Nosar*, *Pigul*, or *Posul Korbanos*.

Mazel Tov! We have now finished learning this set of halachos!

RAMBAM– PEREK ECHAD :: Hilchos Pesulei HaMukdashin - Perek Yud

What happens if someone brought birds for two kinds of *korbanos*, but the *kohen* brought them all on the *Mizbeiach* like one kind of *korban* — do they still count? We learn the *halachos* in this *perek*!

INYANA D'YOMA :: Yud-Gimmel Elul

Today is the *Yom HaChasunah* of the Frierdiker Rebbe and Rebbetzin Nechama Dina!

The Frierdiker Rebbe was the only son of the Rebbe Rashab and Rebbetzin Shterna Sara. When he was seventeen, it was time to look for a *shidduch*. A few choices came up, but the Rebbe Rashab said that he wanted his son to get married to someone who was related to the family. They chose Rebbetzin Nechama Dina, who was also a great-granddaughter of the Tzemach Tzedek.

At the time of the *Chasunah*, the Rebbe Rashab said a very long *maamar* that starts with the words *Samach Tesamach*. This *maamar* talks about *Simcha*, and how *Simcha* is stronger than anything! It teaches what a person should think about when he does a mitzvah, so that he will have *Simcha Shel Mitzvah*!

During the *Sheva Brachos*, the Rebbe Rashab announced the beginning of Yeshivas *Tomchei Temimim*, and made the Frierdiker Rebbe the *Menahel Poel*, the one who will run the *yeshivah*!

TEFILLAH :: Tefillos of Yomim Noraim

We are a little more than two weeks away from *Rosh Hashana*! Let's take the time to learn more about the upcoming *Yomim Tovim*.

It is important to understand the meaning of the special *davening* of *Rosh Hashana* and *Yom Kippur*. We add many sections to *davening*, which speak about the meaning of these holy days. We speak about crowning Hashem as King, how Hashem judges the world, and asking for a good year.

Even though we might already know how to look inside of our *Machzor* and say the words clearly, it is also important to UNDERSTAND what we are saying.

The Rebbe told *Baalei Tefillah* that before *davening* on the *Yomim Noraim*, they should first spend time going over the meaning of the *tefillos*. This is especially important for someone who is being the *Shliach Tzibur* for a whole *shul*, but it is also important for everyone!

IY"H over the next two weeks we will look at the general meaning of the *tefillos* and *piyutim* (poems) that we say in the *Machzor*. We will also review some of the *halachos* of these special days.

See Shevach Hamoadim, Kitzur Hilchos Yomim Noraim siman yud

HALACHOS HATZRICHOS :: Elul

It is brought in *halacha* that a *Yerei Shomayim* should check his *tefillin* and *mezuzos* during *Elul*, and that all of the other *mitzvos* should also be "checked" and fixed if they need it.

We may be able to understand this *halacha* better by thinking about another *Yom Tov*!

About a month before *Pesach*, our Mommies start getting busy! They make lists and charts and calendars, to make sure that everything is taken care of, so we will have a kosher and happy *Pesach*.

They make sure all the drawers will get cleaned, the kitchen will get scrubbed, each room of the house will be checked, the car will get vacuumed, the *Pesach* food will get bought in time, and they will have recipes for everything we need to eat. They make sure we will have all of the pieces of our *Seder* plate, and not one bit of *chometz* will be found anywhere! This way we can keep all of the *mitzvos* of *Pesach* and feel like we are going out of *Mitzrayim*.

Preparing for *Rosh Hashana* is the same thing! A month before *Rosh Hashana*, we all need to start getting busy. We need to think about each part of our life as a *Yid*: How we dress, how we act, how we think, and how we feel.

We need to look at all of our *mitzvos* and make sure they are done right: We make sure our *mezuzos* are kosher, put up the right way, and are on every door they need to be on. We make sure we are *bentching licht* on time every week and giving *tzedakah* before. We make sure we have good *Kibud Av Va'em*, and that we are treating other people nicely. We make sure that all of our *mitzvos* are "clean" and just right!

This way, we'll be ready for *Rosh Hashana*, when we are making Hashem our King. We tell Hashem that we are ready to use the new *chayus* from the new year to make our *Yiddishkeit* much better than ever before!

GEULAH U'MOSHIACH :: Hashem Will Again Choose Yerushalayim!

Hashem showed the *Navi* Zechariah a *malach* who asked why Hashem is not helping the *Yidden*. Hashem told

the *malach* not to worry, because the second *Beis Hamikdash* will be rebuilt. The *malach* told Zechariah to tell this to the Yidden!

The *malach* also told the *Navi* that even though there will be another *Churban*, there will also be another *Geulah*. In the end, there will again be a *Beis Hamikdash* in Yerushalayim.

עוד קרא לאמר כה אמר ה' צבאות עוד תפוצנה ערי משוב ונחם ה' עוד את ציון ובחר עוד בירושלם

Od Kra Leimor — And you should say even more!

Ko Amar Hashem Tzeva'os — So says Hashem:

Od Tefutzena Arai Mitov — “My cities will be scattered, and sent away from the good land of Eretz Yisroel.

Venicham Hashem Od Es Tzion — But Hashem will again one day comfort Tzion,

U'vachar Od BiYerushalayim — And again choose Yerushalayim!”

See Zechariah perek Alef posuk Yud-Zayin

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