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## **CHUMASH :: Parshas Haazinu - Chamishi with Rashi**

To stop the Yidden from doing their *aveiros* anymore,  
Hashem might let the *goyim* beat the Yidden in a war.

The *goyim* think that it's because they're smart, and so strong too  
But if they were smarter, they'd know that can't be true!

They tried to beat the Yidden so many times before  
But even with their idols, they never won a war!

It has nothing to do with their fighting, or how powerful they've been  
It's only that Hashem is now letting them win.

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Really, all of the *aveiros* are so bitter and upsetting  
The punishment the Yidden deserve is WORSE than what they're getting.

But Hashem won't let the *goyim* DESTROY them, because then  
The *goyim* would think that their idols are stronger than Hashem!

Never think that your *aveiros* can be hidden from Hashem!

Or that the *Avos* will keep you from getting punished for them!

Hashem knows every single thing that you do all along  
And will punish so you'll do *teshuvah* for what you did wrong.

~

When you are suffering from the *aveiros*, you'll learn how to behave  
You'll see that when you need help, only Hashem can save!

The punishments will help you learn what you really know is true:  
Hashem runs the world, and His *mitzvos* you must do.

## **TEHILLIM :: 35 - 38**

Today's *shiur Tehillim* is *kapitelach Lamed-Hey* to *Lamed-Ches*. Until *Yom Kippur*, we continue adding three extra *kapitelach*. Today we say *kapitelach Kuf-Gimmel*, *Kuf-Daled*, and *Kuf-Hey*.

In the first *Maamar* the Rebbe said, *Bosi Legani*, he explains a *posuk* from today's *Tehillim*: "**Tzadikim Yirshu Aretz Veyishkenu La'ad Aleha.**" "Tzadikim get 'aretz' (*Gan Eden*), because they make Hashem rest (*Veyishkenu*) in the world."

In the *maamar*, the Rebbe tells us that this is OUR special *shlichus* too — to bring Hashem's *Shechinah* into the world, which will bring *Moshiach Tzidkeinu*!

## **TANYA :: Igeres Hakodesh Siman Chof**

To make the world, Hashem made many *Ruchnius* "worlds" also. There are four that we know about, called *Atzilus*, *Beriyah*, *Yetzirah*, and *Asiyah*.

Why did Hashem make these "worlds"? Because the *chayus* of Hashem is too strong for the world to be there. So in each "world", Hashem hides more and more, until He is hiding enough for there to be *Gashmius*.

In today's *Tanya*, the Alter Rebbe explains what happens in *Ruchnius* for this to happen. We learn a lot of things from *Kabbalah* to help us understand it!

At the end, we will find out that even though Hashem has to hide SO much for there to be *Gashmius*, it can only be from the greatest *koach* of Hashem to make something from nothing, "*Yeish MeAyin*." Only the *Koach* of Hashem Himself that didn't go through all of these *Ruchnius* "worlds" can make *Gashmius Yeish Me'ayin*."

## **HAYOM YOM :: Vov Tishrei**

R' Zushe of Anipoli said that *Teshuvah* has five parts, one for each letter of the word "*Teshuvah*!"  
Today we learn that the *Vov* teaches us to have a lot of *Ahavas Yisroel*.

A *Yid* needs to have a good heart and be kind to others. When people are happy with the way we act, Hashem is too! The Alter Rebbe said that a way to love Hashem is by loving another *Yid*.

That is the *Vov* of the word *Teshuvah*, and it stands for "**Ve'ohavta Le'reiacha Kamocha.**"

This is the *Teshuvah* that comes from a *Lev Tov*, a good heart.

## **SEFER HAMITZVOS :: Shiur #152 - Mitzvas Asei #23, Lo Saasei #72, Asei #32, #36**

Today's mitzvos are about Kohanim and Leviim:

1) (Mitzvas Asei #23) The Leviim need to do their jobs in the *Beis Hamikdash*, like opening and closing the doors, and singing when certain *korbanos* are brought. This *mitzvah* tells us that they can't choose if they want to be involved in the *Avodah*, they need to do it whether they want to or not.

We learn this *mitzvah* from a *posuk* in *Parshas Korach*: וְעָבַד הַלְוִי הוּא אֶת עֲבֹדַת אֹהֶל מוֹעֵד  
The details are explained in many places in *Mesechta Tamid* and *Mesechta Midos*.

2) (Mitzvas Lo Saasei #72) The *Kohanim* and *Leviim* are not allowed to trade jobs with each other. The *Leviim* are not even allowed to trade jobs between themselves — the ones who are in the group of singers are not allowed to guard or open the doors.

We learn this *mitzvah* from a *posuk* in *Parshas Bamidbar*: אִישׁ אִישׁ עַל עֲבֹדָתוֹ וְאֵל מְשָׁאוֹ

3) (Mitzvas Asei #32) We need to give *kavod* to the *Kohanim*, like by giving them the first *Aliyah* to the Torah and having them lead *bentching*. Even if he's not able to work in the *Beis Hamikdash*, because he has a *mum*, he still gets this *kavod*.

We learn this *mitzvah* from a *posuk* in *Parshas Emor*: וְקִדְשָׁתוּ בִּי אֶת לְחֵם אֱלֹהֵינוּ הוּא מִקְרִיב קֹדֶשׁ יְהִי לָךְ  
The details are explained in many places in *Mesechta Makos*, *Chulin*, *Bechoros*, *Shabbos*, and others,

4) (Mitzvas Asei #36) We need to give each *kohen* a turn to serve in the *Beis Hamikdash* — only during the *Yomim Tovim* do they all work together. The *posuk* in *Divrei Hayamim* says that Dovid Hamelech and Shmuel *Hanavi* split the *kohanim* into 24 groups (*Mishmaros*) so the turns would be organized.

We learn this *mitzvah* from a *posuk* in *Parshas Shoftim*: וְכִי יבֹא הַלְוִי וְגו' וּבָא בְּכָל אֹתוֹת נִפְשׁוֹ וְגו' שֶׁרַת בְּשֵׁם ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ בְּכָל אֶחָיו  
הַלְוִיִּם הָעֹמְדִים שָׁם לִפְנֵי ה' חֶלֶק כְּחֶלֶק יִאֲכֹלוּ  
The details are explained in the end of *Mesechta Sukkah*.

## **RAMBAM :: Hilchos Klei HaMikdash**

In today's Rambam, we learn more about the *Avodah* in the *Beis Hamikdash*.

**Perek Vov:** Really, when someone brings a *korban*, he needs to be there to see it. But how can ALL the Yidden be there to see the *korbanos* that are brought for all the Yidden, like the *Korban Tomid*, which is brought every day as a *Korban Tzibur* for all of the Yidden?

A group of Yidden who had *Yiras Shomayim* were chosen as the *Anshei Maamad*, to watch when those *korbanos* were brought on behalf of the rest of the Yidden. This *perek* tells us how these *Maamados* worked.

**Perek Zayin:** In the *Beis Hamikdash*, there were 15 officers in charge of different things — like the *Ketores*, locking the gates, or taking care of sick *kohanim*. Each officer had a lot of helpers. The Rambam explains the job of each of these officers.

**Perek Ches:** Now we learn about the clothes of the *kohanim*. The clothes had to be perfectly neat and clean — otherwise their *Avodah* was no good! The Rambam teaches us about the materials they were made of, and where they were kept. The clothes the *Kohen Gadol* wore on Yom Kippur were only worn ONCE, and then they had to be buried! The clothes of the *kohanim* wouldn't get washed — once they got dirty, they were made into wicks. In the *Beis Hamikdash*, they had a very organized way to store all the clothes!

## **RAMBAM– PEREK ECHAD :: Hilchos Shevisas Yom Tov - Perek Gimmel**

Even though we are allowed to cook and prepare food on *Yom Tov*, the *Chachomim* did not allow us to do certain things that are too much work for *Yom Tov* or could have been done before.

For example, we are not allowed to make cheese on *Yom Tov*, since it will be just as good if we make it before.

## **INYANA D'YOMA :: Vov Tishrei**

Today is the *yartzeit* of Rebbetzin Chana, the Rebbe's mother. She passed away on Shabbos at *Mincha* time, in *Tof-Shin-Chof-Hey*.

Rebbetzin Chana's life was full of *Mesiras Nefesh* for *Yiddishkeit* and *Chassidus*. She always helped her husband, R' Levi Yitzchak, through all the hard times and even in *Golus*. She knew how important it was for him to write his *Chiddushei Torah*, and went and made ink herself, using plants, so he would be able to write them.

In the past few years, we had the *zechus* that her memoirs ([chabad.org/1638270](http://chabad.org/1638270)) were found and printed! We can see the *Mesiras Nefesh* she had, how proud she was that her son became the Rebbe and how much she appreciated his visits and the *Kibud Eim* that he showed her.

## **TEFILLAH :: Erev Yom Kippur**

On *Erev Yom Kippur*, there is a *minhag* to put out plates on the tables in *shul*, to collect *tzedakah* for the people and *mosdos* who need. At *Mincha* time, people can put money onto these plates to give *tzedakah*.

(You can see this in videos of the Rebbe from *Erev Yom Kippur*. There are many plates set up on the tables, and when the Rebbe comes into *shul* for *Mincha*, he puts money into all of these plates. The Rebbe would also give to poor people who put out their hands, and to children, so that they will have coins to give *tzedakah* too.)

In the *Luach Colel Chabad*, it says that the Baal Shem Tov said, "From the sound that these coins make when you throw them onto the plates, the *kelipos* become separated."

What does this mean?

There is a story behind it!

The Yidden of *Mezhibuzh* were having a meeting. They were talking about different problems in the city and what should be done about them. Someone complained that on *Erev Yom Kippur*, having the *tzedakah* plates on all the tables made the *shul* very noisy and not calm! It wasn't the right way to go into *Yom Kippur*.

They decided that they wanted to stop this *minhag*. Collecting *tzedakah* is very important, but not if it makes it hard for everyone to have proper *kavana* in *davening*!

When the Baal Shem Tov heard about their decision, he refused to let them stop the *minhag*! He told them a story to understand why this *minhag* is so important!

*One year, before Yom Kippur, all of the kelipos decided to gang up against the Yidden. They would all work together to stop the tefillos of the Yidden from going up to Shomayim! Without these tefillos, Hashem wouldn't be able to forgive the Yidden, chas veshalom.*

*The kelipos were standing at the gates of Shomayim, when suddenly, a loud noise started! It was the jingling of all the coins being thrown into the plates in shul. The sound made the kelipos all scatter! They weren't able to join together again in time to stop the Yidden's tefillos from reaching Hashem, and their plot was foiled.*

This is what it means that the sound of the coins falling onto the plates separates the *kelipos*. It stops them from joining together, and our *tefillos* of *Yom Kippur* will be able to reach straight to Hashem!

See *Otzar Minhagei Chabad* p. 188

## **HALACHOS HATZRICHOS :: Kiddush Levana**

Every month, we *bentch* the new moon with a special *bracha* of *Kiddush Levana*.

We wait until after the seventh of the month, when the moon is getting bigger. Our *minhag* is to say *Kiddush Levana* the first *Motzei Shabbos* after this date, so that we can wear our *Shabbos* clothes to do this special *mitzvah*!

But in *Tishrei*, we don't say *Kiddush Levana* right away, instead we wait until *Motzaei Yom Kippur*.

That's because it's best to say *Kiddush Levana* when we are happy! During the *Aseres Yemei Teshuvah*, we are worried about doing a proper *teshuvah* and deserving a good judgment on the *Yom Hadin*.

But after *Yom Kippur*, a *Bas Kol* comes from *Shomayim* and tells us to go eat and drink with joy, because Hashem is happy with the *Yidden*! When we know that Hashem is happy with us, we are VERY happy, and that's a perfect mood to be in to say *Kiddush Levana*!

But if someone is worried that it will probably be too cloudy to say *Kiddush Levana* on *Motzaei Yom Kippur*, or he won't be able to say it for a different reason, he can do it before. In fact, there are some *poskim* who say you should do *Kiddush Levana davka* during the *Aseres Yemei Teshuvah*, so that Hashem will count this *mitzvah* too when He is judging us!

See *Shevach Hamoadim, Aseres Yemei Teshuvah*

## **GEULAH U'MOSHIACH :: The Real Thing**

When we can feel something and see something, we say that it is real.

But what is REALLY real?

The truth is that the entire universe isn't actually anything of its own — it is part of the existence of Hashem and the fact that Hashem wants *Torah* and *mitzvos*. But it doesn't look that way yet!

When *Moshiach* comes, everything and everyone in the world will know that this is real. Everything will behave in a way that shows what it really is all about.

That's why the *Medrash* says that in the times of the *Geulah*, if a person will try to pick a fig on *Shabbos*, the fig will scream, "It's *Shabbos*!"

See *Likutei Sichos Chelek Yud-Alef*, p. 69

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