

SCHEDULE

יום כפור

Shacharis-	8:00 AM
Sof Zman K'S- 9:55 א"ג < 9:19 א"מ	
Yizkor APPROXIMATELY	11:45AM
Mincha	5:00 PM
Neilah APPROXIMATELY	6:30 PM
Maariv	8:01PM

Sunday

Shacharis	8:25 AM
~ Followed by Shiur	
Mincha / Maariv	6:55 PM

Weekday Minyanim

Shacharis	
Mon	6:40 AM
Tuesday	6:45 AM
Wednesday - Erev Sukkos	6:45 AM
Mincha (Mon-Tues)	1:45 PM
Mincha / Maariv (Mon & Tue)	6:55 PM
Maariv (Mon-Tues)	9:45 PM

Don't Forget Eruv Tavshilin!! 4 Sukkos
Sukkos Schedule Coming Soon



Just Do It.

Hey Members!

ARE YOU COMMITTED? TO SUPPORTING THE BUILDING FUND

UPDATE

Since our Fundraising launch **over 20 families** have committed to the 5 year pledge and more are being confirmed almost daily!

If you made your pledge on that first Shabbos and have not been in touch with the Fundraising Committee please contact them as all names may not have been recorded. Once the list has been verified we will post it.

We would like to acknowledge the following members for dedicating an item from the dedications list.

Ethan & Heather Berner & Family
- Year Round Paroches

Chaim & Leslie Klein - Rabbi's Chair

Racheli Teichman - Rabbi's Shtender

Thank you for all your support & Gmar Chasima Tova!
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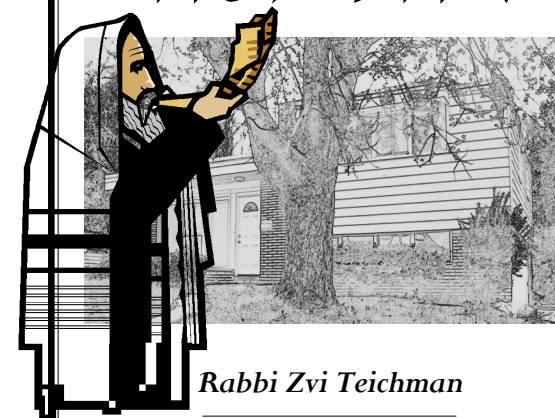
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RABBI'S MESSAGE

To Dream the Possible Dream

Dread, frustration, disappointment and despondency are just some of the emotions that begin to erupt as we face the reality and implications of Yom Kippur.

We dread facing our personal deficiencies. We are frustrated with our paltry and insincere regrets. We are once again disappointed in ourselves. All this leads us to hopelessness in our ability to ever repair our relationship between ourselves, our fellow man and Hashem.

On Yom Kippur we make a last ditch effort at contrition and to undertake meaningful change. Yet, the moment Yom Kippur is over we are right back to our old habits initiating this vicious endless cycle of "fear to despair" once again.

The Mishna (תענית כו:) tells us that no other Yom Tov paralleled Yom Kippur (and Tu B'Shvat). The Gemara (ל:) explains the specialness of Yom Kippur was due to it being a day of forgiveness. On Yom Kippur the second luchos were given indicating atonement for the terrible sin of the golden calf.

Shlomo HaMelech refers to Yom Kippur as יום חתונתו (שה"ש ג יא), *the day of his wedding*, a day of joy (תענית כו:).

Where has the joy gone?

There are three components to doing תשובה, repentance: חרטה, regret, עזיבת החטא, abandoning the sin, and קבלה על העתיד, accepting to change in the future.

Can we sincerely state we have regretted our sins when we consistently return to them time and again? Regretting what we know we will inevitably continue to do compounds our frustration with ourselves.

Is it really within our "choice" to change abruptly from all that we have done wrong? Some things are simply beyond our unique level of free will. To be able to learn eighteen hours a day is not attainable for most of us. Even those areas that are in our reach but have become distant from us because of our poor choices also need time and can't merely be undone in an instant.

Haven't we proven ourselves lacking in the commitment to no longer sin by the very fact that from year to year we seem to be in the same place?

Perhaps our error lies in our perspective. When we view our lives on Yom Kippur as a checklist of failures and seek to undo them entirely we are doomed. We don't possess yet the sufficient understanding of sin to give us a true sense of regret. That takes a lifetime of Avodas Hashem. חרטה, can more aptly be translated as sensing a deep sense of loss, a feeling of emptiness that is "etched" into our consciousness. Only when one fathoms the relationship properly can one first fully appreciate the sense of failure.

But we are capable of emoting a deep yearning to get closer, and a healthy "regret" that we are not there yet. This passionate expression of a *desire for closeness* is more easily "etched" into our being and provides a much healthier power of "regret". The critical difference between the two is that this second one leaves us hopeful. It stems not from failure but rather from aspiration. We can imprint onto our soul a hopeful pining to get closer and to understand that connection to Hashem that we are missing.

Instead of desperately trying to focus on undoing our "misdeeds" entirely, we can try to undertake a plan to get ever closer. By taking upon ourselves to improve an area that is within our reach and doable, we begin to convey our striving for closeness with tangible evidence of our goal. This will encourage us rather than defeat us.

There is one caveat however with this approach. In the past when we undertook a sweeping repentance it was unrealistic and thus not fully accountable. When we promise to make small pragmatic change however, we will be held fully responsible to maintain it. It is within our reach!

On a wedding day life is filled with so much promise. In the long road ahead there is commitment to grow closer together. The pitfalls in marriage are merely opportunities to correct them, not out of guilt and failure, but in search of deep love.

Yom Kippur is our chance to move closer, to find areas of our relationship where we can take "steps" forward in advancing the bond positively. It is a joyous challenge!

May we sense an excitement of opportunity on this opportune day and may Hashem embrace us lovingly with His blessings!

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BUILD THE SUKKAH!!!**



This Sunday After Shacharis

A special kids project table to make decorations
will be waiting for some volunteers that are under
4 feet tall so bring your kids!

