### **SCHEDULE**

שבת קדש

6:01 PM Mincha Erev Shabbos

Shacharis-Followed by Kiddush 8:30 AM

Sof Zman K"S- 10:07 אר"א 9:31 ↔ 9:31 מ"א

5:55 PM Mincha- Followed by Shalosh Seudos

Maariv 7:07 PM

Sunday

Shacharis 8:30 AM

~ Followed by a shiur

Mincha / Maariy 6:00 PM

Weekday Minyanim & Shiurim

Shacharis

Mon-B'Ha'B 6:30 AM

6:40 AM Thur

Tue, Wed., Fri. 6:45 AM

Mincha (Mon-Thur) 1:45 PM

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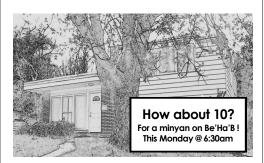
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## RABBI'S MESSAGE

# Like Father, Like Son

The very first depiction in Torah of a direct personal interaction and conversation between a father and son is encapsulated in three verses relating to Avraham and Yitzchok.

The Torah describes how as they head to Har HaMoriah, וילכו שניהם יחדו (בראשית כב ו), and the two of them walked together.

Yitzchok then beckons, אבי, "Father...", upon which Avraham responds lovingly, הכני בני, "Here I am, my son".

Yitzchok proceeds to inquire as to the exact identity of the sacrifice they are about to bring and his father intimates the possibility of Yitzchok serving as the offering. Yitzchok remains silent with no further questions.

The verse then concludes once again with the sentiment, וילכו שניהם יחדו, and the two of them walked together. (שם שם ו-ח) These are the sole words exchanged and recorded in Torah regarding the paradigm father/son relationship of Avraham and Yitzchok.

Somewhere within these verses lies the secret ingredients for their healthy relationship.

There is another, not so easily identifiable, "son" of Avraham, that is portrayed in our portion as well.

As Lot is attempting to flee from the destruction of decadent Sodom, the Torah reports, (ויזכר אלקים את אברהם (שם יט כט), and G-d remembered Avraham. Rashi elucidates, that this refers to Lot being saved when Hashem remembered Lot's merit in not revealing Sarah's true identity to Pharaoh when Avraham sought to pass her off as his sister.

Verses in Devarim (a) describe the gifts of lands that were originally designated for Avraham, yet were allotted to Amon and Moav, the progeny of Lot.

Rashi there informs us that they were distributed to them in the merit, שהלך אתו למצרים ושתק על מה שהיה אומר על אשתו (רש"י שם ה, אחותי היא, עשאו כבנו (רש"י שם ה, that he (Lot) went to Egypt and was silent when he said she is my sister, he was therefore deemed as his son, and thereby worthy of an inheritance.

The fact that he traveled with his Uncle/Brother in law to unknown and dangerous territory is certainly meritorious. But wherein lies his greatness in "remaining silent"? His revealing Sarah's true identity would have certainly jeopardized the life of Avraham!

Mere silence wasn't sufficient to save Avraham. Only someone who was bonded as a son with Avraham would be motivated and capable of controlling his composure and not reveal in his "body language" any hint or clue that something was amiss. It wasn't the "merit" of not revealing her identity as much as it was his absolute affinity for Avraham that was evident in his self control to protect him at all costs and not betray him. This was evidence of his deep "son like" relationship with Avraham.

A true son follows even into the unknown and displays a love that is evident in the "body language" as well.

וילכו שניהם יחדו, Yitzchak "went" with evident joy although he knew not what lay ahead. Upon becoming aware of his fate, the Torah reiterates, וילכו שניהם יחדו, as he "silently" and unquestioningly maintains that same love and joy regardless.

Lot had a semblance of those qualities, יישהלך ושתק..., he "went" and was "silent", emulating the qualities of the quintessential son.

כרחם אב על בנים כן תרחם עלינו. Like the love of a father to a son, so shall You have mercy upon us.

In our relationship with Hashem do we emulate the perfect relationship of a son to a father. Do we proceed with enthusiasm towards those uncharted paths in life?

Does our attitude reflect that joy?

Does our "body language" emanate a positive posture, filled with confidence, hope and determination?

If we do then we can hope to be reciprocated in that relationship as only our "Father" can!

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