

SCHEDULE

שבת קדש

Mincha Erev Shabbos	7:00 & 7:44 PM
Candle lighting	7:44 PM
Daf Yomi	7:30 AM
Shacharis- Followed by Kiddush	EXPRESS 8:30 AM
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Mincha	2:15 PM
Pirkei Avos	7:00 PM
Mincha -	7:40 PM
Followed by Shalosh Seudos	
Maariv -	8:51 PM

Weekday Minyanim & Shiurim

Sunday

Shacharis I	6:50 AM
Daf Yomi	7:30 AM
Shacharis II	8:30 AM
Mincha / Maariv	7:45 PM

Weekdays

Daf Yomi	5:45 AM
Shacharis:	
Monday, Thursday	6:40 AM
Tues., Wed, Fri.	6:45 AM
Mincha (Mon-Thur)	1:45 PM
MINCHA/MAARIV (Wed.-Thur)	7:45 PM
Daf Yomi (Take II)	9:00 PM
Maariv (Monday-Thursday)	9:45 PM

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This week we read what can arguably be called the most important verse in all of Torah.

Now, O Israel, what does Hashem, your God, ask of you? Only to fear Hashem, your God, to go in all His ways and to love Him, and to serve Hashem, your God, with all your heart and all your soul. (Devarim 10,12)

From this verse the Talmud derives that it is all up to us. "Everything is preordained except for the fear of God". There is no predetermination in how we will act. We are free-willed in all of our choices to act as we please.

Even if we accept this truth, how could Moshe so unassumingly declare "only to fear..."? Only!? That is a mighty challenge that perhaps for Moshe was an elementary accomplishment but how could he expect that from us?

The Rambam explains: Apparently as Moshe is the one staking this challenge, despite the fact that Moshe was clearly exceptional in his levels of devotion to God, we must be capable of reaching these great plateaus as well. Indeed the Rambam decisively states, 'every person is fitting to be as righteous as Moshe our Teacher'. (Hilchos Teshuva 5 2)

Could it be that simple? Would the greatest 'Teacher' of all time be so flippant in his demand of us?

Of course each one of us has a long and arduous journey in reaching these elevated goals. God certainly doesn't expect of us to reach them with is. But we must accept them as possible and within our reach. It may take a lifetime or we may never be

granted the time to achieve it all, but we must set that as an eternal objective. Each choice how incremental it may be brings us closer to the goal. The moment we accept our limitation in getting there is the moment we accept defeat. Our greatness lies in never losing perspective of the goal.

Every one of us must strive to the greatest achievements never accepting mediocrity in our service to God. As the Rambam 'paskens', we can each be a צדיק , righteous, as Moshe.

The brother of the Maharal in his fascinating Sefer HaChaim observes that the letter ז, which we call the 'tzaddik' illustrates the path towards becoming one.

It is comprised of a bowed letter נ, bearing the letter י. The letter נ, represents נפילה, falling and the letter י, the essence of a יוד, a Jew.

We may falter but if we carry or responsibility as a Yid we will constantly recover and move forward. When an animal bears a burden it instinctively shirks it. Its master adds to the weight until it can't shirk it and begins to accept its load traveling ahead.

As long as we accept the challenge bowing our backs accepting the choices ahead, step by step, we can indeed strive to be as righteous as Moshe.

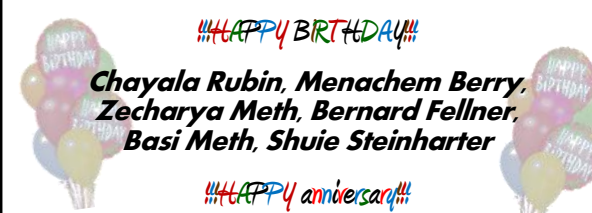
We are exhorted three times in this week's reading ללכת בדרכיו, to go in His ways.

We need to stay the path and constantly 'move forward', choice by choice, striving to attain that obtainable objective, to be a Tzaddik like Moshe.



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MEMBER **Spotlight** *More than just hello!*

This Week: Eitan & Ariella Schuchman
Originally from: Baltimore (Eitan) & Philadelphia (Ariella)
Occupation: Financial Advisor (Eitan), Teacher (Ariella)
Interesting place you've been: London (Eitan&Ariella)
FYI: The Schuchman's just moved to a new house MUCH closer to the Shul!

Member Trivia:
How many members of our Shul work for Gil Horowitz & Sage Custom Homes, the company building our new Shul!!!

Last Weeks Answer: Daniel Hutman, Shmuly Abramson, Shuie Steinharter!

It's the path we must take in achieving the ultimate good that God has promised us if we undertake the journey.

באהבה,
צבי טייכמאן