## **SCHEDULE**

Mincha & Candles Erev Shabbos ONLY 7:24

Daf Yomi 7:30 AM

8:30 AM Shacharis-Followed by Kiddush -Sof Zman K"S-9:49 גר"א 9:07 מ"א

Mincha 2:15 PM

Pirkei Avos 6:40 PM

7:20 PM Mincha -

Followed by Shalosh Seudos

Mincha / Maariy

8:31 PM Maariy -

#### **Weekday Minyanim & Shiurim**

Sunday & Monday	PAY
Shacharis I	6:50 AM
Daf Yomi	7:30 AM
Shacharis II	8:30 A M

Weekdays

Daf Yomi 5:45 AM

**Shacharis:** 

Thursday 6:40 AM Tue., Wed., Fri. 6:45 AM

**Mincha** (Mon –Thur) 1:45 PM

#### MINCHA/MAARIV (Wed.-Thur) 7:25 PM

Daf Yomi (Take II) Maariv (Monday-Thursday) 9:00 PM 9:45 PM



## More than just hello!

7:25 PM

This Week: Donny & Miri Adler Originally from: Both from Miami! Occupation: Mortgage Underwriter/Kiddush Man (D), Accounting (M)

**Interesting Fact:** They live 3 doors down from Shul! Member Trivia: Who introduced to Ohel Moshe "Shirei Hisorerus", our annual pre-mincha kumzitz on tisha be'av?

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## An Encounter to Remember

When the unfortunate discovery of a corpse that has been murdered occurs, the elders and judges of the city in closest proximity to the body must perform the public ritual of the Eglah Arufah, the Axed Heifer, as an atonement for this grievous sin.

They are to take a calf in its first year, which has never worked or pulled a yoke, bring it to a valley whose land is too harsh to have been worked and never sown and axe the back of its neck

The Talmud explains that with the breaking of the neck of a calf that has never been productive in a place that has never brought forth fruit we are appealing that this symbolic act of stifled potential atone for the murder of an individual who was likewise not left to reach his potential of a lifetime of serving G-d through the performance of mitzvos. (סוטה מו.)

Does the severity of the sin of murder lie only in its prevention of someone else achieving his goals? Isn't life inherently valuable and sacred?

This understanding of the nature of this sin would seem to define the value of life solely by one's ability to accomplish. A life bereft of spiritual achievement is a life not worth living.

Perhaps there is an additional lesson here as well.

When we encounter others along the journey called life it is never by mere coincidence. The intersection of fate that wends its way in the fabric of human experience and encounter is carefully guided by the loving hand of Providence.

The failure to see our destiny determined by how we interact and react positively with those we crisscross with in our travels through life, is the foundation for a society where murder becomes possible. Were we to view each encounter as an opportunity, or better yet, our responsibility to be a contributor towards another's success it would be impossible to extinguish a human life.

When we fail to rise to the challenge of assisting others who G -d has directed our way, we are devaluing our own life's worth and purpose subsequently jeopardizing our own existence.

The Torah takes the murderer to task for the root of his ultimate callousness. Each one of us has been placed on this physical plain so that we may each rise closer to G-d. That

closeness is achieved by seeing in every other person we meet a personal obligation to help that individual in its own quest to bond with the Almighty.

When one doesn't appreciate this role we play that is precisely when the seeds of apathy towards others will initiate a chain of emotions that eventually will evolve into resentment which prods one to reject another's right to exist by discarding with him completely.

The Talmud further teaches that representatives of the town must declare with confidence that they were not guilty of neglecting this person by not having provided him provision and accompaniment when he left the city.

This notion of לייה, accompanying a guest who takes leave is an expression of our consciousness of this mission. When we guide someone along his way we are joining in his journey and affirming our belief of that duty we have to assist him along that path. It is much more than a warm send off. It is a testament to our appreciating his potential and the privilege we have in partaking, however meagerly, in that quest for greatness.

It is interesting to note that the Talmud when speaking of the murderer who stifled potential, uses the expression: לא הניחוהו לא הניחוהו, he did not 'let' him (the victim) produce 'fruit' סוטה מו

In contrast when the Talmud refers to the inhabitants of the city who attended to the needs of its guests by accompanying him, it uses the expression: משם אלא ראינוהו והנחנוהו בלא לייה, we did not see him and 'lead' him without accompaniment. שם מדי Similar words but greatly different in its meaning and impact.

The very least we must do is let others achieve by admiring them from afar and not stand in the way of their progress. Ideally however, we must take the lead in partnering with them in the fulfillment of the will of G-d.

May we look fondly upon one another and relish each encounter as a privilege to reach our final destinations successfully.

באהבה,

צבי טייכמאן



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