

## SCHEDULE

ליל שבת קדש

**Mincha & Shabbos Candles 4:35 PM**

יום שבת קדש

Daf Yomi - *By Rabbi Teichman* 7:30 AM

Shacharis - *Followed by Kiddush* 8:30 AM

-Sof Zman K'S- א"ג 8:38 א"ג 9:19

Mincha - 2:15 PM

Mincha - *Followed by Shalosh Seudos* 4:25 PM

*Guest Speaker: Rabbi Nasan Maimon Exec Dir, Breslov World Ctr*

Maariv 5:43 PM

**CANDLES NEXT SHABBOS - 4:30 PM**

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## Weekday Minyanim

### Sunday

Shacharis I- 6:50 AM

Daf Yomi - *By Rabbi Teichman* 7:30 AM

Shacharis II - 8:30 AM

Mincha / Maariv 4:40 PM

Maariv (Su - Th) **\*Now Sundays Too!\*** 9:45 PM

### Weekdays

Daf Yomi - *By Rabbi Teichman* 5:45 AM

**Shacharis:**

- *Mo & Th* 6:35 AM

- *Tu, Wed, Fr* 6:45 AM

Mincha (Mo-Th) 1:45 PM

Mincha/Maariv (Mo-Th) 4:40 PM

Daf Yomi (Take II) 9:00 PM

Daf Hayomi Behalacha (Su-Th) 9:15 PM

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## RABBI'S MESSAGE:

Rivkah after having literally ‘fallen’ off her camel in love, when viewing her *chosson* Yitzchak approaching for the very first time, goes on to marry him and is the only one of all the Patriarchs about whom the Torah attests to her husband having loved her after marrying her.

The portrayal of this ‘match made in heaven’ continues this week encapsulating everything we know about their married and family life in this single portion.

From a superficial observation of their life and times as depicted here one wouldn't gather much evidence indicating any glowing love and connection.

From the get go they are in disagreement over the manner in which the kids should be raised. There is nary one conversation between them. Rivkah continues to act independently apparently behind Yitzchak's back in helping Yaakov maneuver the blessings away from Esav.

The only time any words are exchanged is in a one sided narrative as Rivkah seeks to encourage Yitzchak in sending Yaakov away to her family to find a spouse, she simply exasperates in front of Yitzchak about her dread over ‘a fate worse than death’ were Yaakov to marry one of the local prospects.

There is only one obviously positive moment presented in the entire story.

When seeking refuge from the famine, Yitzchak and Rivkah seek temporary residence in Gerar. Out of fear they may kill him in order to take his wife he tells the local lecherous folk that he is only her brother. Some time later when their guard is down, Avimelech notices that they are ‘enjoying’ themselves together and realizes they are indeed husband and wife.

So what to we make out of all this? Were they a happy couple or a contentious and distant one?

When realizing many years have gone by and they are still childless they take to arduous prayer.

*Yitzchak entreated G-d opposite his wife...*

Rashi describes how each one stood in their own corner and prayed.

Why couldn't they pray side by side? What is implied with this obvious joint effort yet standing separate?

What was the exact nature of their prayer? What sentiments did they express?

Rav Elazar of Worms, popularly known as the *Rokeach*, a leading 12th century Talmudist and Kabbalist, reveals in his Siddur, that the segment at the end of the prayer of Nishmas we recite on Shabbos, where we say:

בפי ישרים תרומום, *By the mouth of the upright shall You be exalted*

ובשפתי צדיקים תברך, *by the lips of the righteous shall You be blessed*

ובלשון חסידים תתקדש, *by the tongue of the devout shall You be sanctified*

ובקרב קדושים תהלל, *and amid the holy shall You be lauded,*

was authored by Yitzchak and Rivkah.

The order of these verses with the names of Yitzchak and Rivkah embedded, appear in *Nusach Sefard* every Shabbos and in *Nusach Ashkenaz* only on Rosh Hashana.

This, he quotes from others, was composed when they entreated G-d to merit children.

In fact others allude to this prayer of Nishmas as having been recited by Yitzchak and Rivkah, as evidenced in the word used to describe their standing opposite one another in prayer, *בכ*, which is a contraction of the words *כל חי*.

## “In This Corner..”

How does this prayer which has no apparent request and is rather an outpouring of praise and gratitude to G-d relate to their quest for children? The Talmud indeed refers to this ‘prayer’ as *ברכת השיר*, the *Blessing of Song*.

It has been discovered as well that the numerical value of *יצחק* (208) and *רבקה* (307) equals *שירה* (515), *song!*

What is this mode of prayer called ‘song’ that Yitzchak and Rivkah devised?

The Midrash in describing the specifics of their entreaty informs us that what they were each praying for was that any child they were to be blessed with should be from the other as well. It wasn't as much as a prayer for a child as it was an expression of their deep bond with one another. (*ב"ר סג ה*)

Perhaps it is the joyous life one lives and appreciates that extols the purpose of humanity; *to thank and bless, praise and glorify, sing about, exalt and revere, sanctify and declare the sovereignty of Your Name, our King, continuously (from the Nishmas prayer)*, that compels G-d to endow us with the tools we so desire in promoting His sovereignty.

The Holy Ari unveils that the last letters in the words describing Yitzchak's entreaty, *לוי-ה-ו-ה לנכה אשתו*, *to G-d opposite his wife*, spell out *וה*, because in this union of Yitzchak and Rivkah lay the rectification of the dissension that developed between Adam and Chava that lead to their having sinned.

In this perfect union there was absolute understanding and respect. The metaphor of each one standing in their ‘own’ corner expresses their each easily appreciating and accepting diverging approaches in their *avodas Hashem*.

It began with the character trait of *ישרות*, moral uprightness, that was displayed in their utter devotion to one another absent of any selfishness or egotism that would prevent them from working together.

It continued with *צדיקות*, righteousness, a sense of duty and calling that was purely motivated by what would serve the Honor of G-d. Despite their divergent views in how to deal with their children they each knew that the other operated solely by the ‘will of G-d’. In such an environment of trust they knew they would not have to fear the reaction of the other as each were acting with pure intentions.

Following their desire to attain levels of *חסידות*, piety, or more specifically, going *לפנים משרות הדין*, beyond the call of duty, their feelings for each other merely intensified as they worked ‘together’ for the sake of Heaven. No wonder this couple who never fought and only admired one another are the only ones of all the Patriarchs and Matriarchs who are portrayed as ‘enjoying’ each other.

Finally when the fear of Esav harming Yaakov and the need for Yaakov to flee arises, Rivkah needs merely to express her concern without any fear of Yitzchak's reaction, that there isn't even any need for a direct response by Yitzchak to Rivkah.

If one leads a life of harmony and selfless devotion to G-d, one's soul will erupt with genuine joy.

When our lives express a ‘blessing of song’ we are assured that G-d will endow us that which our hearts desire so we may continue to glorify his Name.

May we emulate the beautiful relationship of Yitzchak and Rivkah and thereby merit to recite a joyful *Nishmas* every moment of our lives. May we merit that our deepest wishes be answered with that song!

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