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Rabbi Shaya Katz

I always find it interesting that the "new year" really begins in the middle of how most people think of a year. As a student, one's daily and weekly schedules are essentially fixed from September through June. As a parent, the cycle continues with one's children, following the same pattern. Even those without kids are beholden to the rest of the economic and social flow of everyone else from ages 0 to 50. And in terms of the Jewish calendar, it effectively follows the same pattern- *Rosh Hashanah* in September, and we culminate the year by re-accepting the *Torah* on *Shavuot*, in June. The clear outlier of the Jewish "*moadim*" is *Tisha B'av*, which occurs during the summer. And yet, we now find ourselves "beginning" a "new year".

Despite the regularity to which we've grown accustomed, the key to renewal is not necessarily about changing what's going on outside of us. As it often happens, the secular new year coincides with a new *Sefer* of the *Torah*. As we complete the *Bereishit* stories of the individual *Avot* and transition into the *Shemot* stories of the collective Jewish people, the man at the center of this transition reminds us of a fundamental lesson: Always stay curious.

After running away from Egypt for fear of death, *Moshe Rabbeinu* finds himself occupied in the sheep business. Unsuspecting of his future role as the greatest prophet in human history, he tends to *Yitro's* flock as if it's his own. As the *midrash* describes, he follows even the weakest sheep as it goes to drink, and

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he carries it back to safety on his own shoulders. Along the way, however, he encounters *Hashem's* presence in the form of a burning bush. While it would have sufficed for the *Torah* to simply say "*Moshe* saw the bush" (*Shemot* 3:2), for some reason it must be important for us to know what *Moshe* said in that moment: "I will turn aside now and look at this great sight- why won't this bush be consumed?" And, lest we think that this seemingly unnecessary detail is just a matter of innocent narration, *Hashem* reiterates the significance of this declaration: "*Hashem* saw that *Moshe* turned aside to see, and He called out to him..." (*Shemot* 3:4).

Moshe became "*Rabbeinu*" not simply because *Hashem* chose him, but because he showed an interest in trying to understand, to learn about something he'd never seen before. In order to lead the Jewish people out, to bring them through the desert, and to guide them to the land of Israel, *Hashem* needed someone who was comfortable with deviating from the status quo; someone who did not simply follow the same path because if it ain't broke don't fix it. *Moshe Rabbeinu* was willing to learn new things, to start new journeys, and to create new nations.

Just because the routine stays the same doesn't mean we can't add to it. Going through our usual business doesn't mean following it in lock step. We can use the opportunity of a "new year" to remind ourselves that we can always bring newness to our lives, even if the scenery stays the same. While it might not mean moving to the desert or leading a new religion, it could mean improving a routine, investing in a new relationship, trying better parenting strategies, etc. As we push forward through the winter months, *Moshe Rabbeinu* reminds us that we don't have to stay frozen in place; we can always take notice of a new fire and kindle a new passion.

Chodesh tov,

Rabbi Katz



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	9:00am	Rabbi Katz	Daf Yomi	Join Zoom ID 982 346 8067
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Monday	7:00pm	Rabbi Gomez	Parsha	Join Zoom ID 230 720 660
	7pm	David Tenenbaum	Michtav M'E-liyahu	Join Zoom ID 883 51775394
	8:00pm	Rabbi Belsky	Tehillim	Join Zoom ID 2635349345
	8:00pm	Rabbi Katz	Mishlei	Join Zoom ID 982 346 8067
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To Avy Schreiber on his marriage to Jessica Chanofsky.

To Billy & Melissa Berlin on the engagement of their son, Jake to Talia Gothelf.

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JANUARY

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<p>3 יט טבת</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:40AM 19 Letters on Zoom 7:10AM Shacharit 8AM Daf Yomi on Zoom 9AM Minchah 4:55PM</p>	<p>4 כ טבת</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:15AM Shacharit 7AM Minchah 4:55PM Beit Midrash on Zoom 7PM & 8PM</p>	<p>5 כא טבת</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:15AM Shacharit 7:00AM Minchah 4:55PM Parshah Shiur on Zoom 1:30PM Zoomin & Schmoozin on Zoom 8PM</p>	<p>6 כב טבת</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:15AM Shacharit 7:00AM Minchah 4:55PM Gemara Shiur on Zoom 7PM</p>	<p>7 כג טבת</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:15AM Shacharit 7:00AM Minchah 4:55PM Peshischa Shiur on Zoom 8PM</p>	<p>8 כד טבת</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:15AM Shacharit 7:00AM Candlelighting 4:59PM Minchah 5:00PM</p>	<p>9 כה טבת-שמורת</p> <p>Shabbat Mevorchim</p> <p>Shacharit 9AM Minchah, Shiur, & Maariv 4:55PM Shabbat Ends 6:05PM Zoom Havdalah 6:20PM</p>
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<p>31 יח שבט</p> <p>Early Minyan 6:40AM 19 Letters on Zoom 7:10AM Shacharit 8AM Daf Yomi on Zoom 9AM Minchah 5:30PM</p>						