

Parshat Eikev Shabbat Mevarchim

Friday 23rd August 2019

Candle Lighting 5.13pm
Maariv 6.15pm

Shabbat 24th August 2019

Shacharit 9.00am
Mincha 4.50pm
Maariv 6.09pm

Rosh Chodesh Elul falls on Shabbat 31 August

A word from the Rabbi

THE RELEVANCE OF REVERENCE

If it were possible to isolate the goals of the Torah into one mitzvah what would it be?

The answer to this question is presented in this week's Parsha:

ועתה ישראל מה ה' אלוקך שאל מעמך כי אם ליראה את ה' אלוקך ללכת בכל דרכיו ולאהבה אתו ולעבד את ה' בכל לבבך ובכל נפשך

And now Israel what does Hashem want from you? Only that you revere Hashem to walk in his ways and to love Him and serve Him with all your heart and all your soul. (Devarim 10:12)

There are three separate, yet connected goals:

1. To revere Hashem to walk in his ways
2. To love Him
3. To serve Him

Service refers to observing the mitzvot. Love refers to developing a relationship with Hashem, perhaps based on gratitude and appreciation.

But what does it mean to '**revere** Hashem to walk in His ways'?

Our Rabbis explain that it is a command to mimic the behaviour of Hashem:

"Just as He clothes the naked (as in the story of Adam and Eve) so too we should clothe the naked. Just as he visits the sick (as in the story of Avraham) so too we should visit the sick. Just as He consoles the mourner (as in when Hashem comforts Avraham after the death of Sarah) so too we should comfort the mourner. Just as He buries the dead (as in the case of Moshe and Aharon) so too we should bury the dead."(Sotah 14a)

"Walking in his ways" is a biblical command to develop an ethic of kindness-chesed. We are commanded to embrace the concept of compassion and more importantly we are expected to action it.

Doing 'good deeds' is an obligation, not an option.

Shabbat shalom

We wish a hearty Mazal Tov on your Wedding Anniversary to:

William and Stephanie Block
Errol and Lisa Wilensky

Brian and Rose Farber

We wish a hearty Mazal Tov on your Bar/Bat Mitzvah Anniversary to:

Michael Amler

Brian Farber

Joseph Hotz

Les Milwidsky

Darren Schneider

Gary Cohen

Lori Friedman

Adam Israel

Harold Neumann

Luke Ziman

Jonathan Cornofsky

David Guth

Brandon Levin

Gavin Rosettenstein

We wish long life to the following Members who commemorate Yartzeit this week:

Renee Gazzard

Desmond Cohen

Yvonne Rosettenstein

Maurice Cornofsky

Norma Cohen

David Hammerschlag

Dee Fittinghoff

Michael Padowich

Anthony Rom

Simone Rutovitz and

Helene Shofer

Keith Selikman

Ivor Trakman

for her mother

for his father

for her mother

for his father

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for her grandfather

for his mother

for his mother

for their grandfather

for his cousin

for his mother

Daisy Bennett

Barney Cohen

Ishbel Cohen

Samuel Cornofsky

Rose Gillis

Heinz Hammerschlag

Leslie Lawrence

Bertha Padowich

Anne Rom

Hertz Segal

Isaac Selikman

Mamie Trakman

Hearty mazal tov to

Bradley Steinberg

on his Ofruf this Shabbat and forthcoming marriage to

Dylan Rosenthal,

Mazal tov also to their parents

Arnold and Cheryse Steinberg and Ira and Netty Rosenthal.

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Rabbi David Aaron

As a child of a holocaust survivor, Rabbi Aaron has struggled to erase his childhood image of God as a punishing old man in the clouds, waiting for us to fail. As we identify with his tales of trying to “buy off” the ultimate doom, we realize that our childish fears and images sometimes rule our deepest thoughts.

He is the Dean & Founder of Isralight and Yeshivat Orayta . He runs Jewish educational programs in Israel and abroad, including: Rabbinic Enrichment, Leadership Training, Executive Seminars, Retreats, Outreach Seminars and more.

Rabbi Aaron is the author of eight ‘paradigm-shifting’ books.

Works include:

Endless Light, Seeing G-d,

Love is My Religion, The Secret Life of G-d,

Inviting G-d In, Living a Joyous Life and

The God Powered Life.