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Shabbat Parsha Mishpatim - Shekalim

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***This week's Shabbos sheet is sponsored by
Lynne Saltzman
in honor of the 75th birthday of Errol Saltzman and
the 10th birthday of their grandson Max Charlie.***

IN THE WEEK AHEAD

Saturday, February 22

Open Beit Midrash	8:30 a.m.
Shacharit.....	9:00 a.m.
Torah Class with Rebbe Howie	10:15 a.m.
Torah Class with Rebbe Leon	10:30 a.m.
Daven & Learn with Rebbe Donald	10:30 a.m.
Torah with Rabbi Moshe.....	10:45 a.m.
Torah Tot Shabbat	10:50 a.m.
Kiddush	11:15 a.m.
Insights into the Weekly Torah Portion.....	4:45 p.m.
Teen-led Children's Activity	5:25 p.m.
Mincha/Seudah Shlishit	5:30 p.m.
Havdalah.....	6:49 p.m.

Sunday, February 23

Shacharit.....	9:00 a.m.
Works of the Maimonidies	9:45 a.m.
JYE BI.....	10:00 a.m.
JYE BI Jr	10:15 a.m.
Mincha/Daf Yomi/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	6:00 p.m.

Monday, Thursday, & Friday

Laws of Shabbos	6:45 a.m.
Shacharit.....	7:00 a.m.
Nach Yomi: Daily Prophets	7:40 a.m.
<i>Lights of Teshuva</i> with Rabbi Moshe	8:00 a.m.
Mincha/Daf Yomi/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday

Rosh Chodesh

Shacharit.....	6:45 a.m.
Nach Yomi: Daily Prophets	7:40 a.m.
<i>Lights of Teshuva</i> with Rabbi Moshe	8:00 a.m.
Mincha/Daf Yomi/Ma'ariv @ Rose Blumkin Jewish Home.....	6:00 p.m.

Monday, February 24

Tasty Torah with Rabbi Yoni	12:00 p.m.
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Tuesday, February 25

Tasty Torah with Rabbi Yoni	7:00 p.m.
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Wednesday, February 26

Women's Rosh Chodesh Meeting.....	7:30 p.m.
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Thursday, February 27

<i>Character Development</i> with Rabbi Ari	9:30 a.m.
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Friday, February 28

Mincha/Candle Lighting.....	5:48 p.m.
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PASSOVER ORDER DEADLINE

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Celebrate



Mazel Tov to Those Celebrating Next Week

Birthdays (English)

Hannah Stein	February 22
Zena Fishbain	February 22
Sadie Tam	February 24
Bonnie Bloch	February 25
Jenna Gerber	February 25
Errol Saltzman	February 25
Daniel Menendez	February 26
Phil Wolf	February 26
David Atri	February 26
Anna Pitman-Kogan	February 27
Abby Kohll	February 27
Sherry Taxman	February 27
Richard Reinblatt	February 28
Adam Rich	February 28

Birthdays (Hebrew)

Joshua Priluck	27 Shevat
Nikki Tindall	28 Shevat
Samuel Cemaj	29 Shevat
Sadie Tam	1 Adar

Anniversaries

Yaakov & Faige Jeidel	February 22
Jack & Bette Kozlen	February 28

***Celebrating a special simcha?
Contact Bette Kozlen or the office to be a part of
the next Simcha Kiddush.***



... Lynne Saltzman for sponsoring this week's Shabbos sheet in honor of the 75th birthday of Errol Saltzman and the 10th birthday of their grandson Max Charlie.

... Sid Zacharia, Ethan Cohen, and Alex Shyken for providing this week's parsha questions.

...Deb Platt for looking over the bulletin and helping us with edits.

...Allen Lovelace for making a noticeable difference in the cleanliness of our synagogue.

...Sarah Abrahamson for leading the JYE-BI Jr. program!

...Rabbi Dreyer for managing shabbat here in Rabbi Ari's absence.

...Rabbi Ari for coming back!

...Moshe and Hadar Nachman for their enthusiasm and ideas.

BETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

MEZUZAH CHECKING

A trained scribe will be checking and selling Mezuzahs. Drop off in the morning 8:30-10:30 and pick up that same night. Checking is FREE and new scrolls are available for sale if needed

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26
8:30-10:30 AM

TO WRITE THE WORDS OF GOD ON THE
GATES AND DOORPOSTS OF YOUR HOUSE
(DETERONOMY 6:9)

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RSVP PLEASE
EMAIL OR CALL RABBI YONI AT 402-401-8184
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7th-12th graders

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special for Purim!!!

PURIM IN THE JUNGLE

MEGILLA READING

MONDAY, MARCH 9TH

8:00 P.M. MEGILLA & ICE CREAM AT BETH ISRAEL

TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH

6:40 A.M. SHACHARIT & MEGILLA AT BETH ISRAEL

11:00 A.M. MEGILLA AT ROSE BLUMKIN JEWISH HOME

1:00 P.M. MEGILLA AT STERLING RIDGE

PURIM PARTY

\$10 PER PERSON \$36 FOR FAMILY OF 4 OR MORE

TUESDAY, MARCH 10TH

5:45 P.M. MINCHA

6:00 P.M. MEGILLAH READING

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. FACE PAINTING AND BALLOON MAGIC

6:30 P.M. PURIM SEUDAH

7:00 P.M. PURIM SPIEL

8:30 P.M. WINE & SECRETS OF THE TORAH WITH RABBI ARI

PLAY AT PURIM:

BOARD GAMES

AND BEER



THURSDAY, MARCH 12

7:30 P.M. PLAY AT PURIM

SPIELBOUND BOARD GAME CAFE

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

\$10 PER PERSON

FIRST DRINK IS FREE.

REGISTER FOR PURIM PARTY OR PLAY AT PURIM

AT ORTHODOXOMAHA.ORG OR

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**In honor of Kobi, Tzvi and Baruch
who came to visit us this Shabbat!**



The Torah Way or the Highway

*If you buy a Jewish bondsman, he shall work for six years...
(Ex. 21:2)*

The Parsha begins by discussing the case of a thief who is unable to repay that which he has stolen. The thief is sold into servitude by Beis Din, a Jewish court, in order to reimburse the victim of his crime with the money from the sale. The Parsha then lists many other laws, including lending money, returning lost objects, helping another unload his animal. Why does the Torah choose to begin with the laws of servitude?

In civil law, when a man has been caught stealing (numerous times), he is punished with imprisonment. As it states in section 117 of the crime act: "Whosoever commits larceny, or any indictable offence by this Act made punishable like larceny, shall, except in the cases hereinafter otherwise provided for, be liable to imprisonment for five years."

Once in prison the thief can expect to meet all types of people: Steve who robbed banks, Ken who was a drug dealer, and Rob who murdered a number of people. When his sentence is finally up, he comes out of prison with no means to feed and clothe his family. However, he now has a wide variety of professions with which to earn his keep: he can rob banks, deal drugs, and kill. He comes out of jail a worse person than when he went in!

The Torah understands this thief more deeply. He is stealing because he has no money, and we must therefore try to build him up. He'll work for someone for a few years and have what to eat. Furthermore, his wife and kids will get supported by the master. His master will be a role model for him, and he will realize that you don't need to steal to make money. When he's finally ready to leave, his master will send him off with presents to help him start life anew. After all this, he will be ready to reenter society as a fully fledged Jew, and he won't steal anymore! The Parshah therefore starts with the laws of slaves so we can see the kindness and mercy that God shows - and demands of us - towards even those who are probably regarded as the least worthy members of society.(1)

NOTE

1. Based on the Darkei Mussar.

Shabbat Shalom

Parsha Mishpatim

Source: By Rabbi Aron Tendler
www.torah.org

1st Aliya: The Jewish slave, Jewish maidservant, manslaughter, murder, injuring a parent, kidnapping, cursing a parent.

2nd Aliya: Killing of slaves, personal damages, injury to slaves, the killer ox, a hole in the ground, damage by goring, penalties for stealing.

3rd Aliya: Damage by grazing, damage by fire, the unpaid custodian, the paid custodian, the borrowed article, seduction, occult practices, idolatry and oppression, lending money.

4th Aliya: Accepting authority, justice, strayed animals, the fallen animal.

5th Aliya: Justice, the Shmitah (7th) year, Shabbos, Pesach, Shavous, Succos, prohibition against milk and meat.

6th Aliya: Hashem (G-d) instructed the nation to respect the authority of His messengers, the Prophets and Rabbis. He promised to chase out the seven nations who inhabited Canaan and forewarned us against making a treaty of peace with them, or being influenced by their practices and values.

7th Aliya: Hashem stated the means by which the seven nations would be chased out of Israel, and promised that if we do as instructed no woman would miscarry. The borders of Eretz Yisroel (The Land of Israel) were defined. The conclusion of the Parsha returns to the aftermath of Revelation. Moshe built an altar, offered a sacrifice, and in 24:7 the nation proclaimed “we will first obey Hashem’s commands and then attempt to understand”. Moshe, Aharon, Nadav, Avihu, and the 70 elders have a shared vision in 24:10 and then Moshe is told to ascend Sinai where he would remain for 40 days and nights.

Parsha Questions

This weeks questions written by Sid Zacharia, Ethan Cohen, Alex Shyken

1. If you buy a Jewish bondsman how many years will he have to work for you?
2. How many mitzvot are in this weeks parsha?
3. What is the most well known mitzvah in our parsha?
4. When Moshe built the mizbaich how many pillars did he put and why?

Reminder: We encourage all of our families that receive subsidies to Friedel Jewish Academy to apply for funding from the Jewish Federation of Omaha. Information about scholarships and grants can be found at JewishOmaha.org.

The application deadline for JFO Scholarships is
Monday, March 2, 2020.

You can find information regarding changes to Beth Israel's subsidy for the 2020-2021 school year, at OrthodoxOmaha.org under Membership.



WELCOME TO BETH ISRAEL SYNAGOGUE

We are delighted to welcome you to Beth Israel Synagogue. A passage from Deuteronomy 30:11-14 inspired the art work in the sanctuary. "For this commandment that I command you today - it is not hidden from you and it is not distant. It is not in heaven, [for you] to say, 'Who can go to the heaven and take it for us so that we can listen to it and perform it? Nor is it across the seas, [for you] to say, 'Who can cross to the other side of the sea for us and take it for us, so that we can listen to it and perform it?' Rather, the matter is very near to you - in your mouth and your heart - to perform it." Mitzvot are obtainable.

- ◆ The focal point of the sanctuary is the Menorah Window, which frames the Ark and is shaped in the form of the six branched candelabrum. To the right, brilliantly colored windows have forms that reflect the heavens, while the left side depicts the seas.
- ◆ The message is completed in a frieze, the horizontal painting on wood mounted on the wall. The background of the frieze symbolically and abstractly represents the relationship between G-d and the people of Israel through the Covenant. The perochet, or curtain over the Ark, completes the symbolic composition, with an expression that intertwines the Torah and the letter Aleph, the first letter of the Hebrew alphabet, of the Ten Commandments, and of G-d's name in Hebrew.
- ◆ As is traditional, the sanctuary has 12 windows, representing the 12 tribes of Israel. These windows contain the name of each tribe in flowing, organic letters. The windows are located above the continued frieze, which includes two central texts of the revelation at Sinai - "If you will keep my Covenant, you shall be precious to me," and "You shall be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." This composition expresses the unity of Israel as the people stood together at Sinai and accepted the Torah.

Beth Israel Synagogue strives to perpetuate the legacy of Torah Judaism in the modern world. Beth Israel welcomes all persons of the Jewish faith to join and accepts the diversity of practice and thought among its members.

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