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# PARSHAS VA'ESCHANAN

**Rav Mordechai Kalatsky**
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**"IF YOU BEGET CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN AND BECOME OLD IN THE LAND, AND BECOME CORRUPT AND MAKE AN IDOL." (Devarim 4:25)**

**כִּי־תוֹלִיד בָּנִים וּבְנֵי בָנִים וְנוֹשַׁנְתֶּם בָּאָרֶץ וְהִשְׁחַתֶּם וַעֲשִׂיתֶם פֶּסֶל תְּמוּנַת**

If a person merits having children and grandchildren, why does this lead to him becoming corrupt and doing evil? Shouldn't the person be grateful to the almighty for all that He has given him? The answer lies in the words "becoming old" that is, a person becomes accustomed to what he has and no longer appreciates it. Taking for granted what you already have and not feeling pleasure in it prevents you from having gratitude for all the good He has given you.

There are many things that you have which were appreciated when it was first gotten. A person feels much joy when he has his first child. Regardless of the initial joy, a person who is not able to view what he has as if it were new, loses an enormous amount of pleasure in his life. In order to have deeper gratitude for the Hashem's kindness, develop the attitude of viewing all that you have. Each day look at the people in your life and your possessions as if you just received them that very day. Mastering this attitude will greatly enhance your life.

For this week look at your child or spouse and remember the initial joy and love you had for them. Then go and express to them how fortunate you are to have them in your life.

Good Shabbos!

Rabbi Kalatsky

## ZMANIM

**Friday – Erev Shabbos, Parshas Va'eschanan (Shabbos Nachamu)**
Shacharis: 7:00 a.m.
Mincha: 7:00 p.m.
Earliest Candle Lighting: 7:17 p.m.
Regular Candle Lighting: 8:30 p.m.

**Shabbos Nachamu – July 25**
Shacharis – 8:45 a.m.
Mincha – 8:10 p.m.
Maariv / Shabbos Ends – 9:38 p.m.

**Sunday-July 26**
Shacharis – 8:45 a.m.
Mincha/Maariv – 8:30 p.m.

**Monday–Thursday July 27-30**
Shacharis – 7:00 a.m.
Maariv – 8:30 p.m.

**Friday – Erev Shabbos, Parshas Eikev July 31**
Shacharis – 7:00 a.m.
Mincha – 6:55 p.m.
Earliest Candle Lighting – 7:10 p.m.
Candle Lighting – 8:22 p.m.

# COMMUNITY NEWS

Dear KI Family,
With Hashem's help our KI Kehilla is experiencing an exciting period of growth. We have welcomed new families, have vibrant tefillos, expanded Torah learning and outreach, and increased participation in programs and events, all contributing to a dynamic and energized community.

To support this continued growth in a thoughtful way, we are pleased to share that Rabbi Yaakov and Mrs. Faigy Scher, together with their five children, will be joining the KI family. Rabbi Scher will serve as Assistant Rabbi, working alongside Rabbi Kalatsky and Mrs Scher along side the Rebbetzin to help strengthen connections and ruchniyus within our diverse community.

Rabbi Yaakov Scher grew up in Brooklyn, New York, and moved to Eretz Yisrael after Mesivta to pursue advanced Torah learning. After his marriage, he continued learning in Yeshivas Mir and later spent many years in the Second Seder Kollel under Harav Shraga Kallus שליט"א, where he received semichah and developed a strong foundation in practical halachah.

Over the years, Rabbi Scher has combined intensive Torah scholarship with teaching, halachic guidance, and community leadership. He has served as a Night Seder Rebbe at Ohr Sameach, a Shoel U'Meishiv at Yeshivas Toras Chaim, and continues advanced learning in Kollel Horaah while answering halachic questions and delivering shiurim in his Jerusalem community. He has also received extensive shimush from prominent Rabbanim and completed specialized training in rabbanus, kiruv, and chinuch through Ner L'Elef.

Mrs. Faigy Scher grew up in Flatbush, attended Bais Yaakov Academy and Mesores Rochel Seminary, and taught elementary school before returning to Eretz Yisrael. Together, Rabbi and Mrs. Scher have built a home centered on Torah, warmth, chesed, and a genuine love for people.

We are delighted to welcome the Scher family and look forward to this next chapter at KI.

KI Search Committee
Rabbi Kalatsky

# MAZEL TOV

Mazel tov to Ron Jacobs and Aidel Atteberry on their upcoming wedding this Sunday in Chicago!

May they be zoche to build a bayis ne'eman Be'Yisraelcary!

## RELEVANT HALACHA SHAILOS-GIVEN BY THE RAV AFTER MINCHA ON SHABBOS DURING THE LEARNING SEDER TOPIC:

# *Minhagim At The Chuppah*

## HALACHA

**Disposable Aluminum Pans & Glass Jars – Tevilas Keilim**

There is a dispute among the poskim regarding whether disposable aluminum pans require tevilah.
Many authorities rule that since these pans are designed for one-time use, they do not require tevilah. Even if they are reused once or twice, they are still considered disposable and remain exempt.
If you intend from the outset to reuse the pan on a regular basis (more than just a couple of times), these authorities require tevilah without a brachah, even before the first use.
Other authorities hold that if you plan to use the pan more than once, it should be immersed without a brachah before its first use.
Some are even more stringent, requiring tevilah even for a single use, since the pan is capable of being reused and is therefore considered a utensil.
Glass Jars
According to Rav Moshe Feinstein, glass jars that originally contained food (such as Snapple or other beverages) do not require tevilah after the food has been emptied and you decide to reuse them. However, new, empty glass jars sold for food storage do require tevilah before use.

## KIDDUSH

Kiddush sponsored by Ron Jacobs and Aidel Atteberry in honor of the yahrzeit of Ron's grandfather Dr. Philip A. Jacobs, Pinchas Avraham ben Yosef Tovia

Kiddush also sponsored by the Awend family in honor of all of their summer birthdays!!

Shalosh seudos sponsored by David Bahn in commemoration of the upcoming yohrtzeit for his late father-in-law Dr Marvin Bacaner (AKA Meir Ber BenTsion ben Yaakov)

# KI KID'S CORNER

# SHIURIM

**Wednesdays 9am** - Chovos Halevovos-Rabbi Kalatsky

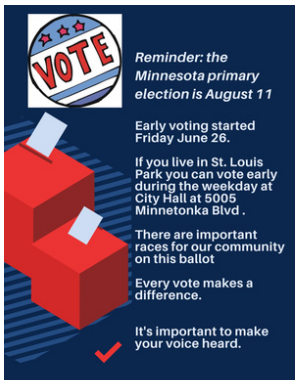
**Shabbos 8:15am** – Parenting-John Ghermezian

**Shabbos-** Pirkei Avos 35 minutes before Mincha

**Shabbos**-Relevant Halacha Shailos with Rabbi Kalatsky 10 minutes after mincha

**Shabbos Daf Yomi** – 50 minutes before Mincha Zevi Segal

**Shabbos Nesivos Shalom** - 50 minutes before Mincha



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