

Shabbat Announcements

PARSHAT VAYAKHEL-PIKUDEI-HACHODESH

Friday, March 13

Candle Lighting: 7:31 pm

Mincha: 7:30 pm

Shabbat, March 14

Shacharit: 9:15 am

Mincha: 7:20 pm

Shabbat ends after 8:40 pm

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored in honor of the birth of **Aliza Ahuva Alcantar**

Seudah Shlishit is sponsored by **Congregation Bnai Torah**

Welcome to the Chofetz Chaim Yeshiva boys visiting this week from Chesterfield Missouri.

Please enjoy photos from the Purim event at the link below. A special thank you to Jack Cotlar for capturing the fun and excitement of the evening!

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WEEKDAY CLASSES

- Weekly Classes Daf Yomi: Every morning at 6:15, 7:45 on Sundays.
- Mishna Class: Every morning after Shacharit.

SHABBAT CLASSES

- Shabbat Youth Groups: After Kedusha of Mussaf (Approximately 10:55). Preschool and Kindergarden meet in the playroom for

- Taam and Torah: Sunday morning at 9:30
- Lunch & Learn: Meets Mondays at noon. Rabbi Hasten is teaching the book of Shmuel.
- Halacha Class: between Mincha & Maariv, Sunday through Thursday. Rabbi Teitelbaum is teaching the laws of Tvilat Keilim
- Business Halacha: Every Tuesday after Maariv.
- Tehillim for Women: Wednesday at 7:30pm in the library.
- Men's Mishmar: Meets on Thursday nights, at 8:00 pm. Learn with a chavrusa or join a class.
- Night Seder: Sunday through Thursday after Maariv.
- parsha, davening and games with Navah and Simchah.
- 1st grade and up meets in the English Library for the new Mitzva Program.
- Parshat HaShavua: One hour before Mincha on Shabbat
- Seudah Shlishit Class: Rabbi Teitelbaum will be speaking.
- Indy Kollel Chill Zone - On break

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PARSHAS VAYAKHEL-PEKUDEI

Parshas Vayakhel primarily discusses the Mishkan and its construction. However, before the Torah goes on to discuss this topic at length, the Parshah briefly begins with the mitzvah of Shabbos, warning us that one may not do any *melachah*, work on Shabbos.

Our Sages derive two principles based on the Torah's placement of the laws of Shabbos before the building of the Mishkan: 1) Although we are commanded to build the Mishkan, it does not override Shabbos. Rather, Shabbos takes precedence over the building of the Mishkan, and thus it is forbidden to build the Mishkan on Shabbos. 2) The thirty-nine *melachos*, types of work that are forbidden on Shabbos are the very *melachos*—in the very same form—that were used to construct the Mishkan.

This, however, raises the following difficulty. As a rule, we cannot derive two laws from one inference, but rather one law per inference. How, then, can we derive both principles? This leads us to believe, then, that there is one common denominator, with one underlying principle, that teaches us both of these laws. What is that common denominator?

We know that the Mishkan, as its name implies, is a place for Hashem's *Shechinah* to dwell. *V'asu li Mikdash V'Shochanti b'socham* – *They shall make a Sanctuary for Me, so that I may dwell among them.*

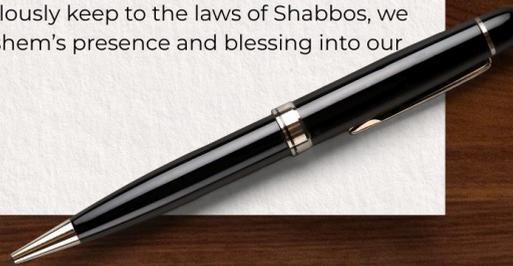
When the Torah teaches us that building the Mishkan does not override the Shabbos, the Torah is revealing to us *that Shabbos itself is already a Mishkan* – a Mishkan in time, even holier and loftier than a Mishkan in physical space. The very time of Shabbos itself is sanctified with the holiness of the Mishkan, for Hashem dwells among us during this special time. Thus, there is no need—and therefore forbidden--to build the physical Mishkan on Shabbos, for Shabbos is already a Mishkan.

With this we can also understand how our Sages determined that it is the very *melachos* that were used to build the Mishkan that are forbidden on Shabbos. For if these are the *melachos* that are necessary to build a physical Mishkan, it follows then that *abstaining* from these same *melachos* will enable us to build our Mishkan in time as well.

We recite in the *Lecha Dodi* that Shabbos is the *mekor habrachah*, the source of all blessings. For when we study, review, and scrupulously keep to the laws of Shabbos, we build our very own Mishkan in time, bringing Hashem's presence and blessing into our lives.

Have a wonderful Shabbos!

~ Rabbi Yisroel Teitelbaum



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