



tidbits

my father, R' Meir Zlotowitz zt'l, made sure his family was up to date on
from the mundane, to the ordinary, to the 'thanks for reminding me!'

November 2nd, 2018 | Parshas Chayei Sara



Rosh Chodesh



This week is Shabbos Mevorchim for Rosh Chodesh Kislev. Rosh Chodesh Kislev is next Thursday and Friday, November 8th and 9th.

The Molad for Chodesh Kislev is Thursday morning, 9:45 and 12 Chalakim



Reminders

We will be moving the clock an hour back this Motzaei Shabbos, November 3rd.

Daf Yomi: Erev Shabbos is Menachos 84.

Make sure to call your parents, in-laws, grandparents, and Rebbi to wish them a good Shabbos. If you didn't speak to your kids today, make sure to do the same!

Next on the Calendar



Election day is this Tuesday, November 6th.

Chanukah begins on Sunday evening, December 2nd.



Parshah in a Paragraph

CHAYEI SARA: Sarah passes away | Avraham acquires the Me'aras Hamachpelah from Efron | Avraham sends Eliezer to take a wife for Yitzchak | Eliezer prays to find a girl who excels in kindness | Rivkah the daughter of Besuel, offers Eliezer and his camels water to drink | Eliezer gives her lavish gifts of jewelry | Rivkah's brother Lavan hears about the gifts and enthusiastically invites Eliezer to stay with them | Eliezer relates the day's events to Rivkah's family and requests her hand in marriage for Yitzchak | Lavan attempts to delay the marriage, but Rivkah chooses to leave immediately | The blessings of Sarah's tent return upon Rivka's arrival | Avraham marries Keturah and they have five sons | Avraham passes away at the age of 175 and is buried by Yitzchak and Yishmael in Me'aras Hamachpelah | The children of Yishmael | Yishmael dies at the age of 137.

For the Shabbos Table



"Vayaratz Lavan el ha'ish ha'chutzah"

"And Lavan ran outside to the

man (Eliezer)" (Bereishis 24:29)

Rashi questions Lavan's actions; why did Lavan choose to run to Eliezer? What was Lavans goal by rushing to greet Eliezer?

Rashi explains that Lavan noticed the jewelry his sister Rivkah was wearing. While this explains Lavan's reason for approaching Eliezer, how does this explain why Lavan felt an instant need to rush over, instead of approaching him in a more civil manner? We see from Rashi a lesson in human behavior. When it comes to money, our natural instinct is to jump at even the slightest opportunity of financial gain by any means necessary - even if it requires us to go against our better judgment. Our predisposed inclinations and desires can easily override our normal manner and cause us to act thoughtlessly.



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