



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!'

March 15th • Parashas Vayikra



Reminders



This week we lein Parshas Zachor, the last 3 pasukim of Parashas Ki Seitzei, thereby fulfilling the positive Torah commandment of *zchiras m'chiyas Amalek*, remembering to erase Amalek. Many congregations say *yotzros* for Parashas Zachor after Shacharis. Men who inadvertently missed the leining should speak to a Rav about alternate opportunities to fulfill this obligation. Women's obligation in this mitzva is a matter of dispute, and most women make sure to hear the leining in shul. If a woman does miss the leining, most poskim advise that she read the parashah aloud herself.

The final opportunity for Kiddush Levanah is Purim night, Wednesday, March 20th at 11:42 PM.

Daf Yomi: Erev Shabbos is Chullin 108.

Make sure to call your parents (and in laws), grandparents and Rabbi 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

Ta'anis Esther is this Wednesday, March 20th

Purim is this Thursday, March 21st.

Parshah in a Paragraph



VAYIKRA: The three kinds of *Korban Oleh*: cattle, small animals and birds • Arrangement of the Mizbeach fires • The three kinds of *Korban Minchah*: fine flour, baked dough, pan fried dough,

deep-fried dough • The *Korban Omer* • No yeast or honey on the Mizbeach • Salting the *korbanos* • The two kinds of *Korban Shelamim*: sheep and goats • The four variations of *Korban Chatas*: that of the Kohen Gadol, of the community, of the King, and of private individuals • *Korban Oleh V'Yored* • A witness to a crime must testify in Beis Din • The three categories of sin that require a *Korban Asham*: *me'ilos*, *talui* and *gezeilos* • One who inadvertently made use of *hekdesh* is fined the value plus one-fifth of the item • One must return stolen property • One who falsely denies owing money to another must pay the full amount owed plus one-fifth.

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Taryag Mitzvos Weekly

Parashas Vayikra contains 16 Mitzvos, 11 of them positive and 5 of them negative.

- 1) Bring a *Korban Oleh*. 2) Bring a *Korban Mincha*. 3) No honey or yeast with any *korban*
- 4) No *korbanos* without salt. 5) Add salt to all *korbanos*. 6) *Korban Chatas* of *He'elam Davar*. 7) *Korban Chatas* of individual. 8) A witness is obliged to testify. 9) *Korban Oleh V'Yored*. 10) Do not sever a bird's during *Melikhah*. 11) No added oil to a *Minchas Chotei*. 12) No adding *levonah* to a *Minchas Chotei*. 13) Repay value plus a fifth for use of *hekdesh*. 14) Bring a *Korban Asham Taloi*. 15) Bring a *Korban Asham*. 16) Return any theft.

Mitzva Highlight: There is a positive commandment to testify in Beis Din for another Jew, both to defend and to prosecute.

For the Shabbos Table



The *Korban Oleh* is the only *korban* that may be brought by a non-Jew. What

about this *korban* makes it accessible to everyone?

The famed Volozhiner Yeshiva relied heavily on donations to provide for the many *bochurim* that graced it's halls. Once, a despondent collector reported to R' Chaim Volozhiner zt"l that a long-time supporter declined to give him his usual donation. When a surprised Rav Chaim questioned the man, the donor explained that he did, indeed, intend to give his customary donation, however he understood that a part of the donation would be remitted to the collector, and the donor wanted the full sum to be utilized by the yeshiva alone.

Rav Chaim responded that despite the benefactors noble intentions, his position was very, very wrong. He explained that that logic mirrors a reason *Korban Oleh* is an appropriate *korban* for a non-Jew. No part of the *Korban Oleh* is consumed by the Kohanim or the owner; the whole sacrifice is burned. A non-jew might be discontent if he or others ate from his sacrifice, fearing he may not receive "maximum benefit" for his offering. In contrast, Jewish consciousness understands that sharing the *korban* only further elevates it. Therefore, Jews alone are able to bring all forms of *korbanos*. Likewise, having a part of his donation remitted to the collector would only enhance the the donors offering.

Mazal Tov to

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on becoming a grandfather!



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