

Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

April 6, 2019, Parshat Tazria, 1 Nisan 5779



Tazria Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 7:08pm

Mincha- 7:10

Shacharit- 9:00 am

Teen Minyan- 9:45am

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Junior Cong.- 10:15

Mincha- 7:05 pm

Shabbos Ends- 8:17pm



NUMBER OF MITZVOT: 7

5 MITZVOT ASEH (positive commandment)

2 MITZVOT LO TAASEH (negative commandment)

NUMBER OF PESUKIM: 67

NUMBER OF WORDS: 1010

NUMBER OF LETTERS: 3667

This is also a very unique Shabbos where we read from THREE separate sifrei Torahs! We will be reading 1. The Parsha 2. Rosh Chodesh Iaining 3 Parshat Hachodesh- a bonus portion we read every year two weeks before Pesach.

**THIS SHABBOS
SPECIAL
MAGIC SHOW
AT 11:10 IN THE
BET MIDRASH.
KIDS OF ALL AGES
WELCOME!**

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SORTS OF SPOTS

Tzaraat is a main part of this parsha. It is a condition where the skin develops white spots. **Tzaraat** is commonly called leprosy, but that's a mistake. This is a disease brought upon by **Hashem** and usually for the sin of **Lashon Hora** (Speaking negatively about others). But it doesn't stop with the skin. It could even be found on clothing, houses and household items. This is to awaken a person so that they should examine their deeds and do **Teshuva** (repent). This is a spiritual disease and it takes a **Kohain**, not a doctor, to get a diagnosis & have it cured. There are 4 degrees of **Tzara'at**, each one is a spot of a different color!

1. White as snow= most severe: it's called **Baheret**.
2. **Sapachat Baheret**, is a milder case of the first. It is compared to the color of the plaster on the walls of the **Kodesh**.
3. Next is a darker white version, **S'ait**, which looks like clear white wool.
4. A milder version of **S'ait**, is **Sapachat S'ait**, which is an eggshell color. Anything darker is not **Tzara'at**.

“Quote of the Week”

“Whoever seeks wisdom should go south; whoever seeks wealth should head north. It's impossible to be in two places at once...But One who diminishes himself and becomes as naught, takes up no space and can thus go both north and south.”

-Rav Dov Ber of Mezritch, aka The Maggid

DID YOU KNOW....

Did you know that the Kingdom of Yehuda was nearly conquered by a massive invasion by Ammon & Moav? The large nations, with the people of Seir, strategically invaded Yehuda south of Jerusalem and North of Chevron- dividing the Jewish armies. The righteous king Yehoshafat declared a fast, and prayed with all his might. Hashem answered him. Ammon and Moav- certain of their victory- decided to kill Seir before they could get any spoils. Meanwhile Yehoshafat, instructed by a prophet, went out to face the invaders. After Ammon & Moav killed Seir they turned on each other. When Yehoshafat's army arrived everyone was dead! The invaders forces were so numerous it took three days to collect all the spoils!

MIDDLE RIDDLE

THE FIRST KID WHO TELLS YONI THE ANSWER GETS \$3 MM, THE SECOND GETS \$2, & THE THIRD GETS \$1- NO TELLING THE ANSWER!

A punishment of Tzaraat was Gaichazi given
For his arrogance and greed was he stricken
By this prophet who helped a few kings
And did many miraculous things

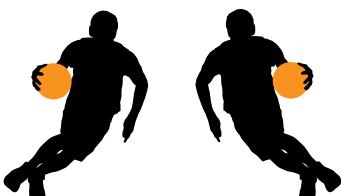
Last Week:

I only have one sign of being Kosher, but I'm not (technically) mentioned in this week's parsha. I might ask you WHAT am I, but I'll give you a hint and say WHY.

A- Llama

**YONI'S NEWEST AFTER SCHOOL CLASS:
WARRIOR WOMEN IN JEWISH HISTORY-
TUESDAY 4/09- 5:45**

**FRIDAY AFTERNOON BASKETBALL IS COMING BACK!
FRIDAY, APRIL 12- 4:30
AT THE YOUTH HOUSE!
GRADES 7 AND UP.
WEATHER PERMITTING.**



**MIDOT MATTER MOST:
IT'S RUDE TO IGNORE TEXTS
AND WHATSAPPs. RESPOND
MINIMALLY, BUT RESPOND.**

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl trōō-ĭz'əm) n.

1. Unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness.
2. Zoology- behavior by an animal that is not beneficial to or may be harmful to itself but that benefits others of its species.

THE SHABBAT OF MAY 11

SPECIAL KIDS SERVICES WILL BE HELD UPSTAIRS IN CLASSROOM 2 AT 10:15 AM. Grades 2-6.



J-SERVE

JEWISH TEENS SERVING THE WORLD

commUNITY mitzvah Day

Join us for J-SERVE, an international day of Jewish Youth Service.

**Sunday, April 7
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**Alex Aidekman Family
Jewish Community Campus
901 Route 10, Whippny**

Appropriate for teens ages 12-18

Part of Federation's commUNITY Mitzvah Day. Choose from 12 meaningful service projects!

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Contact Avi Remetz at aremetz@jfegmw.org or (973) 929-2963 or Amy Gerson at agerson@bbyo.org or (908) 925-0310 with any questions or to get involved.

Building an inclusive community is a priority. Contact us and we will make every effort to meet your needs.

