

# Youth Happenings @ Congregation Etz Chaim

**Oct. 20, 2018, Parshat Lech Licha 11 Cheshvan 5779**



## Lech Licha Times & Numbers

Candle Lighting- 5:52pm

Mincha- 5:55

Shacharit- 9:00 am

Teen Minyan- 9:45 am

Tot Shabbat- 10:15

Junior Cong.- 10:15 upstairs

Mincha- 5:50 pm

Shabbos Ends- 6:58pm

**1 MITZVAT ASEH** (positive commandment): Circumcision- *Brit Milah*

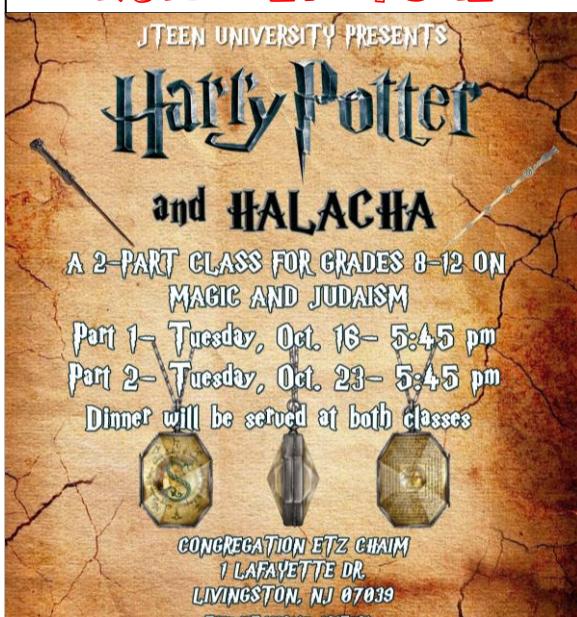
**NUMBER OF PESUKIM** (sentences): 126

**NUMBER OF WORDS:** 1686

**NUMBER OF LETTERS:** 6336



**ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOLERS: LUNCH AT THE YOUTH HOUSE RESCHEDULED FOR NOV. 3, 12:15PM- PLEASE RSVP WITH YONI**



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## SO LONG CHARAN! HELLO, CANAAN!

Avram discovers Hashem as a young boy. But it isn't until he's 75, that *Hashem* finally speaks to him in a dream. He commands Avram, "Leave your land, your father's house, and go to the land that I will show you."

*Hashem* doesn't specify any particular location though? But check out Avram's unyielding loyalty to *Hashem*: He immediately picks up and goes. And it's not just him. His wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, and his servant Eliezer, head out the door. Then there are all of Avram's followers. Let's not forget that Avram is a very persuasive person. He's got loads of students who will follow him wherever he goes. With heaven-sent clouds as their guide, they soon arrive in the beautiful land of Canaan.

The problem is that a drought also arrives at the same time; the rain stops falling, the crops wilter and the trees stop producing fruit. What a disaster! Of course, this is all part of *Hashem*'s plan. Will Avram complain? Will he say, "In Charan we had plenty to eat and now we are starving"? Nope! Avram trusts *Hashem* and is determined to make the best of the situation. He's got unrelenting faith. The lesson here is: **YA GOTTA BELIEVE!!**



## "Quote of the Week"

"Let other people's dignity be as precious to you as your own."

-Rabbi Eliezer, Pirkei Avot

## NAME THAT PARSHA!

**A SPECIAL, FUN-FILLED, PRIZE LOADED GAME FOLLOWING JR. CONGREGATION THE SHABBAT OF NOVEMBER 17 !!!  
FOR GRADES 2-6.**

## MIDDLE RIDDLE

THE FIRST KID WHO TELLS YONI THE ANSWER GETS \$3 MM, THE SECOND GETS \$2, & THE 3<sup>rd</sup> GETS \$1- NO TELLING THE ANSWER! Ages 12 and Under.

Worshipping Idols? Avram knew that was very dumb  
But there used to be lots of idols- and then some  
The followers of this one in the Torah were extra bad  
They would sacrifice their kids - and were truly mad!

Last Week-

Look closely at the animals on the other side  
Spot the problem- keep your eyes open wide  
The pic contradicts what we read this week  
Tell me the problem of which I speak  
A- Giraffes are Kosher- so there should have been 14, not 2.

**REMEMBER: MITZVAH MONEY ISN'T ONLY GOOD AS RAFFLE TICKETS, BUT CAN ALSO BE EXCHANGED WITH YONI FOR \$10 AMAZON GIFT CARDS!**



**IF YOU HAVE A CHILD IN GRADES 6 OR 7 AND YOU WOULD LIKE THE SHUL TO PROVIDE AFTER SCHOOL JEWISH LEARNING FOR HIM/HER PLEASE SPEAK WITH YONI AND/OR THE PRESIDENTS.**

**MIDOT MATTER MOST:  
BEFORE BLAMING  
OTHERS, FIRST LOOK  
WITHIN YOURSELF.**

Altruism- Al·tru·ism

(ăl' trōō- īz' ām) *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.

## MORAH GOLDSTEIN IS RETURNING FOR SHABBAT OF 10/26!

SHABBAT MORNING PROGRAM AT 10:00 IN CLASSROOM 2 FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL GIRLS.

## JTEEN UNIVERSITY PRESENTS: **MONSTERS IN JUDAISM**



**A THRILLING NEW CLASS FOR GRADES 8-12**

**PART I- TUESDAY OCT. 30- 5:45**

**PART II- TUESDAY NOV. 6- 5:45**

**PART III- TUESDAY NOV. 20- 5:45**

**DINNER SERVED AT EACH CLASS**

**CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM  
1 LAFAYETTE DR. LIVINGSTON, NJ**  
TEEN LIBRARY- UPSTAIRS

**TAUGHT BY JTEEN<sup>GMW</sup> DIRECTOR YONI GLATT, WHO ONCE  
SUCCEFULLY CREATED A GOLEM TO DEFEAT A DYBBUK**



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