

November 21, 2015 9 Kislev 5776 Parshat Vayeitzei

### **ZMANIM** (YOUR MINHAG MAY VARY)

Shkiah: 5:30 PM
Shabbos Ends: 6:06 PM
Candle Lighting (next week Vayishlach): 5:11 PM

#### **NEWS AND EVENTS**

Rabbi Daniel Behar is now giving a shiur every night at 8:15 in the Doresh Beis Medrash on Halachos of Shabbos.

Rabbi Cash is now offering a daily shiur on Gemara Megillah every night at 8:15 in the Doresh Beis Medrash.

Rabbi Josh Behar is now giving a weekly shiur every Tuesday night at 8:15 in the Doresh Beis Medrash on the Parsha.

Coming Soon Gedale Fensters shiur on Breslev Chassidus in the Breslev Center. More Info TBA.

Rabbi Salfer is now offering a weekly shiur (for men) on the topic of relationships, with a focus on those between men and women. The basis of the shiur is a discussion of the Biblical foundation of each of the gender characteristics of men and women. For those who want to know why men will be men and women will be women, this shiur is for you. Held every Thursday, 8:00 PM, at Beit David Highland Lakes Shul.



It's All A Gift:
By Rabbi Avraham Bukspan

וידר יעקב נדר לאמר אם יהיה אלקים עמדי ושמרני בדרך הזה אשר אנכי הולך ונתן לי לחם לאכל ובגד ללבש

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When Yaakov slept and had a prophetic dream on his way to Charan, Hashem promised him that He would be with him in all his pursuits. Upon awakening from this Divine dream, Yaakov vowed that if Hashem would protect him, take care of all his needs, and return him safely to his father's house, he would inaugurate this spot as a house of Hashem and give tithes from his earnings.

According to one explanation of the Midrash (Bereishis Rabbah 70:5), when Yaakov spoke about bread and clothing, he was referring to challah and reishis hageiz, the dough from the batter and first shearings of the animals, which are two of the matnos kehunah – items that are gifted to the Kohanim.

Was Yaakov actually making his vow contingent on receiving some of the matnos kehunah? Was he even a Kohen?

Rav Simchah Bunim Sofer, in Shaarei Simcha, explains that Yaakov was attempting to insulate himself from the ravages that success and excess can bring. He was going from the safety of 14 years in Yeshivas Sheim Va'Eiver to the city and home of Lavan Ha'Arami. He was afraid that fulfillment of his father's blessings of material wealth could bring with it a concomitant sense of personal triumph and accomplishment, a feeling of "Kochi ve'otzem yadi asah li es hachayil hazeh – My strength and the might of my hand made me all this wealth" (Devarim 8:17). Therefore, when making his request of Hashem – to provide him with bread and clothing – he made reference to the bread and fiber given to the Kohen. The Kohen exhibited no industriousness in the growth and raising of the wheat and wool. Matnos kehunah are just that: gifts to the Kohen from Hashem. (continuation on page 2)

### Recap On The Parsha

By Yitzy Gesser (Brooklyn, NY/Mexico City, MX)

This weeks Parsha starts off saying that Yaakov left Be'er Sheva and went to Charan. Yaakov dreamed that malachim (angels) were going up and down a ladder to Heaven. In the middle of the Parsha, it talks about Yaakov going to his uncle Lavan trying to find a girl

to marry. There he met Rachel, a nice pretty girl he decided he wanted to marry. Lavan told him to work for him for 7 years, and then after Yaakov worked for Rachel for 7 years Lavan would let them marry. But Lavan cheated him and had him marry Leah instead. So he had to work for another 7 years to get Rachel, then he worked another 7 years, which is 21 years in total working for Lavan.

### Water from the Stone

Be'Rochel – For Rochel. According to the Or Hachaim what does that mean?

(Stone Chumash, Beraishis 29:20)

### For more info on Yeshivas Doresh:

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### Mishmar With Shlomo Schwartz

By Rafi Bausk (Long Island, NY)

Last week Thursday we had a mishmar with Shlomo Schwartz singing with us while playing the guitar, and eating delicious cholent that was prepared by A.C. Steier. Mishmar is one of the highlights of the week. Thank you, Shlomo, for the wonderful music on the guitar, and joyous singing. Thank you to A.C. Steier for making the cholent, and thank you to Rabbi Cash for

arranging mishmar. Q- What would a mishmar be with music but no cholent? The answer is a kumzitz!



## Rosh Chodesh with Jimmy Costello

By Moshe Perel (Toronto, CA)

Last week Friday the Yeshiva had the honor of having the world famous Musical Maggid Yaakov Yisrael "Jimmy" Costello come to the Yeshiva where we have a Carlebach style Hallel. We had a great time with everyone singing and dancing and playing assorted instruments the entire time. Thank you to Jimmy for another great Hallel.





### Melave Malkah With Rabbi Abisror

By Editorial Staff

For this past week for Melave Malkah, we had Rabbi Chananya Abisror come speak. First we had

the chocolate and nosh that Mrs. Chanie Gips brought us. We all enjoyed ourselves, then Rabbi Abisror started to speak about Hashgachah Pratis and he told a story about himself. After that, we started to dance with him while Yaakov Gottheil played the keyboard. Then he told us another story about Hashgachah Pratis after he spoke, we had a delicious Melave Malkah that was prepared by Rafi Bausk on the grill.

Thank you to Rabbi Abisror for coming to speak and Mrs. Chanie Gips for the chocolate and nosh, and thank you to Rafi for the food.





### Parsha With Rabbi Maimon

By Yosef Benjamin (Crown Heights, NY)

This past Tuesday Yeshivas Doresh had the honor of having Rabbi Maimon, the founder of BresleyTorah.com come to speak to the bochurim about

the Parsha. He talked about the malachim that Yaakov saw going Up then Down so he asked, "why were the malachim going Up".

We would like to thank Rabbi Maimon for coming to speak and Rabbi Zaidenberg for arranging it.





### It's All A Gift- Continued:

By Rabbi Avraham Bukspan

This is as David declared in Tehillim (16:5), "Hashem menas chelki – Hashem is the lot of my portion." The lot of the Kohen – his bread and clothing – serve as the perfect example of a life where "kochi ve'otzem yadi" finds no harbor.

Yaakov was praying and asking of Hashem: "While I may be the recipient of wealth, it is not of my own making. Even if much wealth comes my way, may I always understand that it is all from You." (Bereishis 28:20).

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