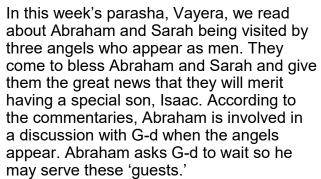
16 November 2019

KJ HAPPENINGS

Rabbi's Message

By Rabbi Natan Halevy

Shalom,



At first glance, this seems to be quite rude! Interrupting a conversation with Hashem to receive guests?

The Talmud makes a great claim based on this: "from here we can see that receiving guests in one's home is greater than receiving the Divine presence." This aligns with the answer of Hillel to the convert who wanted to learn the entire Torah in a short time: "'Love your fellow like yourself,' this is the entire Torah." The rest of the Torah is a commentary on this commandment.

Maimonides states, regarding the mitzvah of receiving guests, "This is the way that



Abraham paved and the way of kindness in which he acted. He would feed passersby and accompany them on their way after." By making this claim, Maimonides seems to contradict himself. In another place, he states that this commandment is part of the commandment stated in the Torah of "loving our fellow like ourselves."

The resolution can be found in a third statement: "The stories and events of our forefathers are a sign for their children." While the mitzvah of receiving guests is technically from the Torah, the strength and motivation we have for fulfilling this mitzvah comes from Abraham. With his great love for Hashem and people, Abraham paved this path of kindness in the world and bequeathed it to us.

Indeed, each of our Patriarchs and Matriarchs had special, unique spiritual strengths that they bequeathed to us as an inheritance. It is upon us to strengthen ourselves by studying their paths and lives, so we can connect to these latent spiritual powers which may be found within our souls.

May we be blessed to reveal the strength of our souls and to connect them to our physical lives in a way that affects the world in a positive manner.

Shabbat Shalom!

Parashat Vayera

Torah: Gen. 18:1–22:24, 147 Pesukim

Hertz 63–76; Stone 78–105 Haftara (§): II Kings 4:1–23

Hertz 76-78; Stone 1134-1135

Tefillot: Mashiv Haruah

KJ Schedule

Erev Shabbat

Yom Shabbat

Saturday, November 16th

Shaharit	8:30 am
Keriat HaTorah	10:15 am
Sermon	11:20 am
Musaf	11:30 am
Minha	
Minha Seuda Shelisheet	
	. 5:00 pm
Seuda Shelisheet	. 5:00 pm 5:30 pm

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Shaharit	/:30 am	
Talmud Torah	9:45 am	
Weekdays		
Monday-Friday, Novem	ber 18th-22nd	
Shaharit	6:25 am	
Next Shabbat		
Friday-Saturday, Nov	rember 22-23	
Candle lighting	4:28 pm	
Friday Minha		
Shaharit		
Saturday Minha		
Havdala		

Sunday, November 17th

Mazal Tov Amit & Dror Ironi

on the birth of a baby girl

Ariel

Besiman Tov

to grandparents
Merna Ironi
Meirav & Dror Yehudayan
and
the entire family

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In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from November 16 to 23, 2019. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor our memory of loved ones.

18 Heshvan / Shabbat, November 16th Yeshaiah ben Yaacov Shalom Hazan Gabriel Solomon *Gavriel ben Shlomo*

20 Heshvan / Monday, November 18thMordechai Harkham *Mordechai ben Hacham David*

Victoria Zeubaida Victoria Zeubaida bat Lulu Esther Robbins Esther bat Matana

21 Heshvan / Tuesday, November 19th Joshua Moses *Yehoshua ben Ephraim Moshe*

22 Heshvan / Wednesday, November 20th Khuzna Levi *Khuzna bat Esther Halevi*

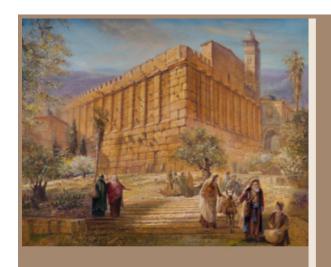
23 Heshvan / Thursday, November 21st Heshmatolah Mizrahi Yehazghel ben Shlomo

24 Heshvan / Friday, November 22nd Joseph Ezrapour Joseph ben Ezra Jacob Elias Yaacov Moshe ben Eliyahu

25 Heshvan / Shabbat, November 23rd Charles A. Lelah Salah ben Aharon

Refua Shelema

Sassoon Ezra • Moselle Amron • Sally Amron • Sylvia Cohen • Esther Duke • Mehry bat Miriam Hakimipour • Tilda Levy • Yvonne Moalim Florice Newberry • Aliza bat Rahel • Aliza bat Victoria • Chaya Chana bat Batya • Katie bat Farha • Miriam bat Yetta • Miryam bat Malka • Moshe Ezra ben Mazal Tov • Habiba bat Farha • Dina bat Rahel • Chaya Rachel bat Simcha Ruhama • Rahel bat Ramah Regina • Karen bat Chana Meir • Eti Esther bat Fortuna • Ezra ben Rahel • Eliahu Shalom ben Avigayil • Mark Jonah • Albert Nissan ben Victoria • David ben Tova • Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva Shaoul ben Lulu



the gift of purpose

Class@8pm w/Rabbi Halevy

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how our patriarchs & matriarchs changed the world

KJ Family Shabbat

Celebrate Shabbat with your kids!
Saturdays, December 7 & January 11 @ 10:45 am
Upstairs Synagogue with Rabbi Halevy

Sing togeth<mark>er, le</mark>arn together, pray together Spiritual, accessible service at Kahal Joseph

Join KJ Kids Club! Earn bracelets & tokens! Collect them for prizes during Hannuka! Kiddush Luncheon to follow services

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the light in the darkness Hanukkah revealed



light of Hanukkah

JPCOMING KJ EVENTS

- ◆ Rabbi's Class: The Gift of Purpose, Wed, Nov 20@8:00 pm
- ◆ Bat Mitzva Club w/Bracha Halevy, Sun, Dec 1
- ◆ Family Shabbat, Sat, Dec 7@10:45 am
- ◆ Rabbi's Class: Light of Hanukkah, Wed, Dec 18@8:00 pm
- ◆ Children's Hannukah Party, Sun, Dec 22
- ◆ Family Shabbat, Sat, Jan 11@10:45 am
- ◆ Tu Bishvat Community Hike, Sun, Feb 9
- ◆ Purim Baking for Community Baskets, Sun, Feb 23
- ◆ Purim Megillah, Mon & Tues, March 9 & 10















Pink Challah Bake

Thursday, November 7th 2019







