

KJ HAPPENINGS

Rabbi's Message

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By Rabbi Natan Halevy

Shalom! This week's Torah portion begins with the commandment, "And you [Moses] should command the children of Israel to take to you pure olive oil that is crushed to be used for illuminating" the Menorah. The Midrash, an ancient text which expounds on the Torah, associates this verse with one from Jeremiah 11:16: "A fresh olive-tree with good fruit, has the Lord called your name."

But, our nation is likened to many other trees in the scriptures [Psalms]. "You uprooted a grape vine from Egypt"; "A righteous person will flourish like a date palm". In [Hosea], "like a ripe fig on a fig tree, in its beginning, I saw your forefathers." We are also compared to pomegranates and walnuts in other verses. So why does Jeremiah choose to single out an olive tree to symbolize our nation?

The Midrash answers, There are many steps that go into making olive oil. First, one hits the olive tree to bring down the fruits, then we take the olives to be dried and ripen more, and then we grind them for the oil, and then there is even more of a process for getting out the oil.

So too it is with the nation of Israel. The nations of the world torment us and then exile us



from place to place. We have gone through abuse at their hands. Then we cry out to G-d, and he answers us. As it says about Egypt, "And the children of Israel cried out from the work, and their cries went up to G-d." The troubles we go through are intended to bring out the finest parts of us.

At times we go through tests and challenges in our lives. This is like the process of creating this oil. When we rise above the challenges, we reach the level of 'the luminary.' We start to illuminate others in a greater way, and our light travels to further distances. We have seen this many times in the history of our nation. We were pushed, and this brought us to even higher levels by calling out a deeper level from inside our souls

The olive oil was used in the Temple to illuminate the Menorah. The spiritual light created from this mitzvah had an effect on the entire world. Just as the Temple, through its existence, brought light and illumination to the world, we too have the ability to teach others how to get closer to Hashem.

When Hashem commanded Moshe about the oil, he said 'It's not that I need it. However, I want you to shine light on me, just as I have illuminated myself to you'. And why? To elevate the nation of Israel in the eyes of the nations. As they will say, 'Israel brings illumination to G-d (through the Menorah) who illuminates the entire world'. This is indeed a great

Parashat Tetzaveh

Torah: Ex. 27:20–30:10, 101 Pesukim
Hertz 339–349; Stone 464–483
Haftara: Ezekiel 43:10–27
Hertz 350–351; Stone 1159–1160
Tefillot: Mashiv Haruah, Birkat Halevana

KJ Schedule

Erev Shabbat

Friday, March 6th

Candle lighting.....	5:36 pm
Minha	5:25 pm
Kabbalat Shabbat & Arvit.....	5:55 pm

Yom Shabbat

Saturday, March 7th

Shaharit.....	8:30 am
Keriat HaTorah	10:15 am
Musaf	11:30 am
Minha	5:20 pm
Seuda Shelisheet	5:50 pm
Arvit.....	6:30 pm
Havdala	6:36 pm

Sunday, March 8th

Please note time change & LA Marathon

Shaharit	7:30 am
Talmud Torah.....	9:45 am

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accomplishment. How blessed are we that we are able to bring illumination to Hashem with our spiritual service and actions. May we all be blessed to shine our best selves in this world and in our lives, Amen. Shabbat Shalom

A Song for Purim, Simeni Rosh

שִׁימְנֵי רֹאשׁ עַל כָּל אוֹיְבֵי. וְתִשְׁמְחֵנִי.

בְּיָמֵי מַרְדֵּכַי בֶּן יָאִיר. אֵל חֲנוּן וְחַנּוּנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחָהוּ לְאַדּוּם. הִכְהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

לְבִשְׁתָּ מַלְכוּת לַהֲדָסָה. וְהַצֵּלְתָּנִי.

בְּקוֹם הָמָן הָאֲגָגִי. כְּתִנּוּן לְבִלְעָנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחָהוּ לְאַדּוּם. הִכְהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

מִמָּרוֹם רוּחַ שְׁלַחָתָּ. וְתוֹשִׁיעָנִי.

יִסֹּר יִסְרֵנִי יְיָ. לְמָוֶת לֹא נִתְּנָנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחָהוּ לְאַדּוּם. הִכְהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

הָמָן חָשַׁב לְאַבְדָּנִי. וְלֹהֵשְׁמִידָנִי.

דִּחָה דְּחִיתָנִי לְנֶפֶל. וְה' עֲזָרָנִי:

מָחָה תִּמְחָהוּ לְאַדּוּם. הִכְהוּ אִם עַל בָּנִים:

חִזֵּק לֵב עֲבָדְךָ בְּקֶדֶם. וְאַמְצָנִי.

בְּזִכּוֹת יִצְחָק עֲקֹדָה. הִשִּׁיבֵנִי עַל כְּנִי:

בְּזִכּוֹת אַבְרָהָם אֱהוֹבָה. הִשִּׁיבֵנִי עַל כְּנִי:

בְּזִכּוֹת יַעֲקֹב תִּמְיָמָה. הִשִּׁיבֵנִי עַל כְּנִי:

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to Aaron & his parents
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Diana Nemany
and the entire family

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Taanit Esther / Monday, March 9th

Fast Begins 5:56 am
Shaharit..... 6:05 am
Fast Ends 7:36 pm

Erev Purim / Monday, March 9th
Megillah Reading 7:30 pm

Purim / Tuesday, March 10th

Shaharit..... 5:35 am
Megillah Reading..... 7:30 am
Megillah Reading..... 9:30 am
Family Megillah Reading 5:30 pm

Wednesday-Friday, March 11-13
Shaharit..... 6:25 am

Next Shabbat

Friday-Saturday, March 13-14

Candle lighting..... 6:41 pm
Friday Minha..... 6:30 pm
Shaharit..... 8:30 am
Saturday Minha 6:30 pm
Havdala 7:45 pm

In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from
March 7 to 14, 2020. We light memorial candles,
give tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to
honor the memory of our loved ones.

12 Adar / Sunday, March 8th

Rooholah Haykani
David Shapiro *Dovid ben Chaim*

13 Adar / Monday, March 9th

Esther Jacob D'Cruz *Esther HaMulka bat Rahel*
Elliot Zvi Wyner *Yechiel Zvi ben Yitzhak*
Bernard J. Lurie *Binyamin ben Avraham*
Kodadad Tbibbi *Kodadad ben Yair*

15 Adar / Wednesday, March 11th

Nuriel Daizadeh *Nuriel ben Yochanan*
Jack Jacob Meir *ben Yaacov*
Vera Rosenfeld *Vera ben Hannah Hatoun*

18 Adar / Shabbat, March 14th

Efraim ben Simcha
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Nazay Radfar *Nazeh ben Nisan*

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Albert Nissan ben Victoria • David ben Tova
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KJ PURIM SCHEDULE

Baking for KJ Purim Baskets
Sunday, February 23rd at 10:00 am

PURIM CARNIVAL
Sunday, March 1st, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Fast of Esther / Taanit Esther
Monday, March 9th from 5:56 am to 7:36 pm

PURIM EVE, MEGILLAH READING
Monday, March 9th at 7:30 pm



PURIM DAY
Tuesday, March 10th
Morning Megillah 1st Reading 7:30 am
2nd Reading 9:30 am
Last Reading, 5:30 pm

CASINO NIGHT
Sunday, March 15th



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