KJ Happenings

2 Elul 5780 | 22 August 2020 <u>View as Webpage</u>

Weekly Schedule

Kids Club, Sunday@10am
Zoom ID 868 9047 0888

Torah Reading: Shofetim

Devarim 16:18 - 21:9

4th Haftara of Consolation

Isaiah 51:12-52:12

Candle lighting Fri 8/21, 7:14 pm Havdala Sat 8/22, 8:16 pm

It is customary to sing Selihot early in the morning during the month of Elul from through 9/18.

For information about KJ's Norma & Sam Dabby Talmud Torah & registration for next year **Click HERE** to contact Molly

Membership & SponsorshipCall 310.474.0559 or <u>click here to email</u>
<u>Sarah</u>.

Jewish Resources

- Parasha with Rabbi Sacks
- Chabad Kids Parasha
- Parasha with Bim Bam
- Parasha at Bar Ilan University
- What are Selihot?

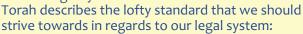
AMAZON SMILE for Kahal

Rabbi's Message

by Rabbi Natan Halevy BSD

Shalom,

This week, we read Parashat Shoftim which discusses the Torah's legal system. The





"You shall set up judges and officers for yourself in all your cities that Hashem, your G-d, is giving you, for your tribes, and they shall judge the people [with] righteous judgment. You shall not pervert justice; you shall not show favoritism, and you shall not take a bribe, for bribery blinds the eyes of the wise and perverts just words. Justice, justice shall you pursue, that you may live and possess the land the Lord, your God, is giving you."

Proper judgement is the foundation for a healthy society. Judges and officers should be of the highest quality representing the best caliber of people, with abundant wisdom and objectivity in order to pursue truth and justice to the fullest. Pirkei Avot states, "Without the fear of law, one man would swallow another whole." People need direction in this world. This principle seems to be an inherent part of our human nature, our psychology, and even our physiological makeup.

Another interpretation of the verse discussing the appointment of judges relates it to the judges and officers we place over our own bodies and over our behavior. One word for 'cities' in Hebrew is "sh'arei" which also means 'gates.' The Torah is telling us to place judges and officers to watch over the 'gates' of our bodies. Our eyes, mouth, nose and ears are the portals of our body where sensory experiences enter our bodies. We must be conscious of what we allow to enter our body and beings.

We must also take care in how we express ourselves through these parts of our being. King Solomon said, "Ha'hayim ve'hamavet b'yad halashon,' which means, 'Life and death are in the power of the tongue.' We can see the power of words and how they are used in modern culture.

Donate to Kahal Joseph Every day, people are using words and platforms to advance their causes and ideals for what they believe is best for society.

The Torah can be explained in many ways. In this parasha, the Torah emphasizes the awesome power and responsibility we have that can influence the world in a positive and significant way.

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Shabbat Learning & Melodies at Kahal

with Rabbi Natan Halevy and Hazzan Saeed Jalali



Shabbat Message from Rabbi Halevy



Fourth Haftara of Consolation with Hazzan Jalali

KJ Kids Club for Shofetim with Bracha & Rabbi Halevy, 8/16



The Essence of the Month of Elul

Women's Group with Bracha Halevy



KJ Upcoming Events

Join our community on Sunday, August 23rd for the next KJ Kids Club with Bracha and Rabbi Halevy!





In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from August 22nd to 29th 2020. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor the memory

Sassoon Ezra

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

Chaya Rachel bat Simcha Ruhama

Dina bat Rahel

Rahel bat Ramah Regina

Karen bat Chana Meir

Eti Esther bat Fortuna

Eliahu Shalom ben Avigayil

Ezra ben Rahel

Albert Nissan ben Victoria

Mark Jonah

Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva

David ben Tova

Joseph Sassoon

Yosef Haim ben Aharon Elisha

Odette bat Louise

Dina bat Simha / Diana Solomon

Rachel Bakhash / Rahel bat Dina

of our loved ones.

2 Elul / Shabbat, August 22nd

Charles Mussry Charles ben Yaacov Saleh Saltanat Kohan Saltanat bat Avraham

3 Elul / Sunday, August 23rd

Hooman Farahmand Hooman Moshe Haim ben Sarah Ramah Mingail Ramah Regina bat Avraham Shalom Hakohen

4 Elul / Monday, August 24th

Edward Kelly

5 Elul / Tuesday, August 25th

Aharon Shalom Elisha Arakie Hacohen Lil Bir Leah bat Girji

7 Elul / Thursday, August 27th

Yaacov Aboulafia Yaacov ben Sarah Anita Wozniak Hana bat Hilda Anne Melhado Hana bat David

8 Elul / Friday, August 28th

Rachel Ezra Jacob Rahel bat Lulu Naji Ezra Helali Naji ben Avraham Clara Mekies Clara bat Rachel Yamin Sassoon Yamin ben Sassoon Paul Shayne Pinchas ben Chaim Hacohen

9 Elul / Shabbat, August 9th

Sam Dabby Shimon ben Haskel Hilda Deborah Habiba bat Farha Rachel Hayim Mingail Rachel Hayim bat Miriam

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