

KJ Happenings

9 Elul 5780 | 29 August 2020

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Weekly Schedule

[Kids Club, Sunday@10am](#)

Zoom ID 868 9047 0888

Torah Reading: Ki Tetze

[Devarim 21:10 - 25:19](#)

5th Haftara of Consolation

[Isaiah 54:1-10](#)

Candle lighting Fri 8/28, 7:05 pm

Havdala Sat 8/29, 8:07 pm

[Selihot with Kahal](#)

Join us to sing Selihot on

Sunday, August 30th at 8:30 AM

Zoom ID 846 1160 3014

For information about KJ's Norma & Sam Dabby Talmud Torah & registration for next year [Click HERE](#) to contact Molly

Membership & Sponsorship

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Jewish Resources

- [Parasha with Rabbi Sacks](#)
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- [Parasha with Bim Bam](#)
- [Parasha at Bar Ilan University](#)
- [What are Selihot?](#)

Rabbi's Message

by Rabbi Natan Halevy
BSD



Shalom,

This week's Torah portion Ki Tetzei discusses the procedure of war: "When you will go out to war on your enemy and Hashem your god will deliver him in your hands and you take his captives". The Torah is giving us directives on how we should approach 'war'. The Hebrew words translate as "upon (or over) your enemy." Our perception should be we are 'above' the enemy. Then we can approach the war certain of our victory. The Torah explicitly states that any soldier who has fear of the war and fighting should 'go home in order that he may not strike fear into the hearts of his brothers and not make their hearts melt as his'. We must have confidence in Hashem that he will protect us in battle.

Although the Torah is talking about war on a physical level, it is also referring to the spiritual and mental battle we all experience by living in a body. It is the way of the world that we face challenges and difficulties in life. This is what makes us grow. When we leave our comfort zone is when we grow the most. This is when we learn and experience new life lessons we didn't know before.

Why does spirituality and growth have to be full of effort, rising and falling, and challenges? When we receive benefit without the effort this is called the bread of shame. When we toil for something valuable and important this gives us extra appreciation for it. We know how much effort its attainment requires. The inverse of this can be found in the classic tale of the spoiled child who doesn't appreciate all his wealth and riches and squanders them away since he doesn't truly value how difficult the accumulation of all this wealth truly is. Hashem desires the opposite for us.

This world is beautiful and chaotic at the same time. Creation is perfect yet open to chance as well. We are not in control of the world around us. As conscious human beings, we endeavor to aspire to and live by a higher standard.

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The Torah speaks of a different level of being which can be attained by our spiritual growth and efforts. This spiritual elevation affects our physical existence as well. We experience an altered and elevated perception of reality.

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Shabbat Learning & Melodies at Kahal

with Rabbi Natan Halevy and Hazzan Saeed Jalali



[Shabbat Message from Rabbi Halevy](#)



[Fifth Haftara of Consolation
with Hazzan Jalali](#)

[KJ Kids Club for Ki Tetze](#)
with Bracha & Rabbi Halevy, 8/23



KJ Upcoming Events

Click & Join Sunday Morning Selihot

August 30th, 8:30 am with Rabbi Halevy



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Join our community on
Sunday, August 30th
for the next KJ Kids Club
with Bracha and Rabbi Halevy!



Come join us at
Kahal Joseph
Kids Club

with Rabbi & Bracha

Sundays@10am

Email rabbihalevy@kahaljoseph.org for info

Meeting ID 868 9047 0888



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David ben Tova
Joseph Sassoon
Yosef Haim ben Aharon Elisha
Odette bat Louise
Dina bat Simha / Diana Solomon
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In Memoriam

We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from August 29th to September 5th 2020. We light memorial candles, donate tsedaka, and attend Shabbat services to honor the memory of our loved ones.

9 Elul / Shabbat, August 29th

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

12 Elul / Tuesday, September 1st

Menasseh Saltoon Menasseh ben Nissim

13 Elul / Wednesday, September 2nd

Sophie Solomon Simhah bat Khatoon

14 Elul / Thursday, September 3rd

Nathan Assia
Haim ben Haim Elazar
Harry Brook Moses Haim Baruch ben Moshe Ezra

15 Elul / Friday, September 4th

Sophie Meyer Simha bat Rivka

16 Elul / Shabbat, September 5th

Flower Elias Farha bat Yochevet
Saleh Saleh
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