

KJ Happenings

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PARASHAT VAYESHEV

Beresheet 37:4 - 40:23

Amos 2:6 - 3:8

EREV SHABBAT

Friday, November 26th

Candle Lighting 4:26 pm

Shabbat Arvit – at Home

SHABBAT

Saturday, November 27th

Shaharit 9:00 am at Kahal Joseph

KJ Kids Korner 9:30 am

Minha, Seuda, Arvit 4:15 pm

Havdallah 5:29 pm

EREV HANUKKAH

Sunday, November 28th

Shaharit 7:00 am

No Talmud Torah

HANUKKAH

Mon Nov 29 to Mon Dec 6

M-F Shaharit 6:30 am

Shabbat Shaharit 9:00 am

Sun Shaharit 7:00 am

ROSH HODESH TEVET

Erev Rosh Hodesh, Fri Dec 3rd

Rosh Hodesh, Shabbat Dec 4th

& Sunday Dec 5th

Masks required indoors at KJ



Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Natan Halevy

Shalom Uvracha,

Last week's parasha listed the offspring of Esav briefly. However, when discussing Jacob, the Torah elaborates at

length. This difference in approach can be compared to a pearl that falls into the sand: a person searches in the sand and sifts it with a sieve until he finds the pearl. When he finds it, he casts the sand and pebbles from his hand, but keeps the pearl.

Joseph is named as the sole son of Jacob, completely bypassing the other sons and tribes. Joseph is considered the spiritual extension of Jacob. Both went through numerous challenges and difficulties and lived through many similar experiences. Their mothers were both barren for a long time and had difficulty when giving birth to them. Both were hated by their brothers. And, despite their birth order, both merited to be considered the 'first born.' Finally, they both achieved greatness through their dreams.

Joseph continues the spiritual action of conquering the darkness of this world, a process that Jacob also represents. In addition, Joseph is the spiritual

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entity with the power to defeat Esav. This is why Joshua, a descendant of Joseph, led the Jewish people's war against the vicious, heartless Amalek, who descended from Esav's line.

Although we are not all physical descendants of Joseph, he represents a very strong spiritual energy that we are all able to tap into. He represents the 'Tzadik,' one who does what is fair, balanced, and good; one who remains close to Hashem. That behavior, that way of being, is what is meant by "righteous" —not someone arrogant, nor self-satisfied, nor close-minded. As such, Joseph is considered our foundation. The ability to know what is positive and right, and to act on that knowledge, enables us to overcome challenges and stay true to our essence and beliefs.

Joseph was held to a very high standard by Hashem, as are all people who are truly righteous. When Joseph was sold as a slave he was very successful in his master's house and was given complete control over the house. The Torah then states, "Now it came to pass that since he had appointed him over his house and over all that he had, the Lord blessed the house of the Egyptian for Joseph's sake, and the blessing of the Lord was in all that he had, in the house and in the field. So he left all that he had in Joseph's hand, and he knew nothing about what was with him except the bread that he ate." [Click to read more](#)

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A Shabbat Greeting from Rabbi Halevy



KAHAL JOSEPH PRESENTS



Hanukkah Teens Extravaganza

Thursday, December 2nd | 6 PM

RSVP for Teen Extravaganza

**KJ Kids Hanukkah Party
& Toy Drive**



CELEBRATE TOGETHER

KJ KIDS HANUKKAH PARTY

CRAFTS, FUN GAMES, TREATS

SUNDAY DEC 5TH, 11 TO 1

*Please bring an unwrapped \$20 toy
or sports item to donate*

RSVP kjcongregation@gmail.com

[Click to RSVP for Kids Hanukkah Party](#)



Shabbat Melodies with Hazzan Saeed Jalali



KJ Family Resources for Shabbat & More



[Rabbi Sacks Family Parasha](#)

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Norma & Sam Dabby Talmud Torah at KJ

Sunday Morning, 9:45 am to 12:15 pm

For more information, [contact our Director, Molly Jalali](#)

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Community Notices

Joseph Samuels' Talk "Surviving the Farhud"





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Annual Commemoration – Displacement of Jews from Arab Lands

On June 23, 2014 the Knesset adopted a law which designates November 30th as an annual, national day of commemoration for the 850,000 Jewish refugees who were displaced from Arab countries and Iran in the 20th century.

Jews had lived in the Arab lands for thousands of years, and many of their communities preceded the advent of Islam. But in the 20th century, with the rise of Arab nationalism and the conflict in Palestine, the new Arab regimes began a campaign of massive violations of the rights of their Jewish citizens. Arab states expropriated property of their native Jews, and denaturalized, expelled, arrested, tortured and murdered many of them.

In light of recent global protests in support of Palestinians, it is critical that we make our voices heard within and outside the Jewish community concerning the imbalance of reporting and lack of accountability and acknowledgment of past injustices towards Jewish citizens of Arab countries.

Our program will include addresses from distinguished speakers, witness accounts, a short film clip, and a memorial prayer for those Jews buried in Arab lands. **This event will be hosted at the synagogue and also available on Zoom.** Refreshments will be served at the end of the evening.

November 30, 2021 at 7:00 PM (EST)

Spanish & Portuguese Synagogue 4894 Saint-Kevin Avenue, Montreal, Quebec, H3W 1P2

Registration Required:

<https://www.thespanish.org/form/Annual-Commemoration-of-Jews-displaced-from-Arab-Lands.html>



Click to Register for Displaced Jews from Arab Lands 11/30

Refuah Shelema

*We wish complete healing of body, mind, and soul to
all those who are suffering with illness in our
community, including:*

Odette bat Louise
Shimon ben Yosef v'Leah / Simon Saul
Shmuel ben Yaacov v'Tova / William McAbian
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Ezra ben Rahel
Albert Nissan ben Victoria
Reuven Halevi ben Batsheva
David ben Tova
Rachel Bakhash / Rahel bat Dina
Fouad Salem / Hayeem ben Naima
Noach Yaakov ben Tzipporah
Ori ben Nuphar Chaia

In Memoriam

*We remember these yahrzeit anniversaries from
November 27 to December 4, 2021. We light memorial
candles, donate tsedaka, & attend Shabbat services
to honor the memory of our loved ones.*

23 Kislev / Shabbat, November 27th

Ronald Meyer Ronen Sasson ben Avraham
Gorjeh Youssefzadeh
Joseph Azar Yosef Sion ben Yaacov

24 Kislev / Sunday, November 28th

Charlie Saul
Regina David Regina bat Salha Matana
Lily Jacob Leah bat Masooda
Mansour Sedaghat Mansour ben Benayahu
Joseph Hayim Yaacov Yossef Hayim Yaacov

25 Kislev / Monday, November 29th

Rachel Moses Rachel bat Hannah
Morris Nathan Mordekhai ben Mordekhai

26 Kislev / Tuesday, November 30th

Dan Darwish Daniel ben Rahamim
Sassoon Jacob Jonah Sasson ben Yaakov
Yitzhak Sinder Yitzhak ben Shimon

27 Kislev / Wednesday, December 1st

Yoseph Rahamim ben Yaacov Shalom

28 Kislev / Thursday, December 2nd

Joseph Jacob Yosef ben Avraham Hayim Yaacov
Habiba bat Aziza

29 Kislev / Friday, December 3rd

Ralph Isaac Raful ben Yehezkel ben Mulla Rahamim
Simcha Ezra Isaac Simcha bat Masooda

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