

The Shul

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VaYeitzei

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Whose Money Is It?

Money is a funny thing. It is part and parcel of our day-to-day living. Yet, most people would sooner tell you their age or weight than how much they have in their bank account.

Money is a very personal matter; the way we feel about it, the way we spend it, the way we earn it, differs from person to person.

It's not surprising that the commandment to give of one's money to tzedaka, charity, is considered a very great mitzva. In fact, the mitzva of giving charity is so great that in the Jerusalem Talmud it is called simply, "the commandment."

To translate the Hebrew word "tzedaka" as "charity" is actually not a correct translation, nor does it convey the spirit of the mitzva. A more accurate translation is "justice" or "righteousness." Thus, "tzedaka" conveys to us that sharing what we have is the just and right thing to do.

Giving tzedaka is the core of the mitzvot of action, even surpassing them all, because a person invests his entire self - feelings, mind, body - to acquire money. So when you give tzedaka, it is not only the hand that writes out the check or puts the coin in the pushka that is involved; your entire body is doing a mitzva as well.

Even if you didn't have to work hard to get the money - let's say you just happened upon an extra thousand or two, since it could have been used on yourself (for life's necessities or otherwise), giving part of this "found" money to charity is also of great merit.

Jewish teachings so strongly emphasize the virtues of charity that they say "It balances all the other commandments." And it also has the power to "tip the scales."

Jewish teachings explain that when a person gives charity, he is acting as the hand of G-d.

As everything truly belongs to G-d, we are but conduits for dispensing G-d's bounty and sustenance. So we should feel humbled that G-d has entrusted us with this job of giving away His money.

By the way, even one who is on the receiving end is supposed to give charity, even if only a few pennies.

We needn't think that only the multi-billionaires who can afford to have buildings named after them are required to give charity. Every single one of us, great or small, rich or poor, is expected to participate in this mitzva.

There's another benefit to consider concerning charity.

The Talmud states that charity brings the Redemption nearer. In addition, it states that the Jewish people will be redeemed through giving charity. So let's get giving, today. Figure out what you feel comfortable giving and then give a little more.

(from <http://www.lchaimweekly.org/>)

Community Information of Interest

November 13: Two Last Years before Oslo: Israel and the Jewish People 1988-1992. Lecture by Rabbi Dovid Katz. *The State of Israel and the Cold War - Part 4.* This lecture will begin at 8:00 p.m. and be held at the Congregation Shomrei Emunah. Also this lecture will be available on Rabbi Katz's YouTube site Moitze Shabbat - November 20.

December 20: The Power of Faith and Trust Through Challenges with Reb Sholom Mordechai Rubashkin. A lecture and book signing for men and women at Bnai Jacon-Shaarei Zion from 7 to 9 p.m. \$15 per person. Early bird special by December 7 is \$25 per couple. A Farbrengen for men only starting at 9:30 p.m. at Yeshivas Lubavitch. For reservations visit www.alephlearninginstitute.org For information call 443-220-9124.

We happily wish Mazel Tov to
Mr. Shaul and Mrs. Naomi Allen and Family
 on the **Birth of a Son**.
 The Shalom Zachor will take place at the Shul beginning at 7:30 p.m.



Rabbi Kaplan is holding a weekly Thursday evening at 8:30 p.m. **in-person** and online shiur on the topic ""Igeret HaTeshuva."" This online shiur is open to anyone who would like to attend and can be joined at: <https://cutt.ly/join-shiur>.

Kol Hanaarim– Father and Son Learning – every Friday evening during the winter at 7:45 to 8:30 p.m. in The Shul. Chulent and other refreshments are served. Each session is 'topped off' at the end with a fascinating story. For any questions, please see Rabbi Itzkowitz.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy and condolences to **Yossie and Gavriel Kelemer** on the loss of their father, **Rabbi Yisroel Kelemer**.

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Yahrzeits The Next Three Weeks:

Eli Gutman	11 Kislev - Sunday night / Monday	for father	Yehoshua ben Yitzchock
Jeffrey London	11 Kislev - Sunday night / Monday	for father	Yaakov ben Yoseph
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DAVENING AND SHIURIM SCHEDULE

Friday, 11/12 — 8 Kislev
 Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
 Shabbat Candles — 4:35 p.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:35 p.m.

Shabbat, 11/13 — 9 Kislev
 Shacharit — 9:00 a.m.
 Sof Z'man Kriat Shema — 9:17 a.m.
 Minchah — 4:25 p.m.
 Ma'ariv— 5:36 p.m.

Sunday, 11/14 — 10 Kislev
 Shacharit — 8:00 a.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:35 p.m. — 2nd Floor
 Father and Son Learning — 6:00 p.m.

Monday, 11/15 — 11 Kislev
 Shacharit — 6:50 a.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:35 p.m. — 2nd Floor

Tuesday, 11/16 — 12 Kislev
 Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:35 p.m. — 2nd Floor

Wednesday, 11/17 — 13 Kislev
 Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:35 p.m. — 2nd Floor

Thursday, 11/18 — 14 Kislev
 Shacharit — 6:50 a.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:35 p.m. — 2nd Floor
 Chavrusa Learning with Chabad Yeshiva — 8 to 10 p.m.

Friday, 11/19 — 15 Kislev
 Shacharit — 7:00 a.m.
 Shabbat Candles — 4:30 p.m.
 Minchah / Ma'ariv — 4:30 p.m.