

RABBI POSNER INSPIRES OVERFLOW GATHERING AT ADULT INSTITUTE LECTURE

The third lecture in our Adult Institute Series on the general theme, "Directions in Orthodox Judaism on the American Scene," was delivered last Wednesday evening by Rabbi Zalman Posner of Nashville, Tennessee. The title of Rabbi Posner's lecture was "The Lubavitcher Approach."

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An overflow gathering jammed the social hall of the congregation to hear this inspiring exponent of the Lubavitcher Movement present some of the salient ideas of Chabad Hasidism. The lecture was more than informational; it was a religious experience.

Our lecturer distinguished between the knowledge of the essence of a thing and its externals. It is easier to understand the external evidence of something, than to know its essence.

Generally, when we feel we know a human being, what we really know are his outer forms of behavior and those things which are evident on the surface. When we see his good acts, we consider him good; when we perceive bad acts, we consider him bad.

Actually, in every man's essence, as Chabad understands it, there is a dimension of God. Whatever he does in life has an effect upon that essence. If he lives a life of Torah and mitzvot, he develops that essence and reveals it. On the other hand, if he lives the opposite kind of life, he buries it, in effect.

What the Lubavitcher Movement tries to do, Rabbi Posner explained, is to touch that essence of every human being and try to encourage him to develop the godliness within him. In particular, the effort is made to get the individual to experience the life of Torah and mitzvot, if only in a small way. Once the godly essence of man is motivated and nourished, the most salutary developments are possible.

Our lecturer concluded with an analysis of the commandment, "Love Thy Neighbor as Thyself." He said that what the Torah tries to do is to expand the area of concern beyond the self to people with whom the self comes in contact. The ideal should be to train us to be able to feel another's hurt as if it were our own, and to rejoice in his joys as if they were our own. The objective is always to stimulate our awareness of the other human being and our desire to help him physically and spiritually.

A lively question and answer period ensued, during which many of the points were clarified and expanded. Truly, this was one of the most glorious moments in the many years during which the Adult Lecture Series has been sponsored by the congregation.

The next lecture in the series will be delivered on Wednesday evening, February 28, at 9:00 P.M., by Rabbi Martin L. Gordon. His subject will be: "The Ethical Quest as a Religious Experience."

-REMINDER-The K. J. Sisterhood Philharmonic Concert will be held this Saturday night, February 10, 1968 at Philharmonic Hall The concert will be under the direction of ANDRE KOSTELANETZ

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN WILL PREACH THIS SABBATH AT 11:00 A.M. ''WHEN DOES THE SEA GET SPLIT?'' Pulpit Reflections on Divine Providence.

THE WEEKLY PORTION BESHALACH "Dayeinu"

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Perhaps the most popular song in the seder liturgy on the first and second nights of Passover is the song "Dayeinu." The word "Dayeinu" means "enough" and the song says in its various lines that if God had only done part of what He did for us during the Exodus from Egypt, this would have been "enough."

Like many popular songs in our liturgy, behind the light melody and the even lighter mood in which it is sung, there lies an important thought concerning the Jewish character and the teachings of our Torah. The capacity to say "Dayeinu" is an important one for man to develop. Moreover, it is not a natural capacity which is inborn in man.

Quite the contrary, it is quite probable that a baby is born with the concept of "more" on his or her mind but with little inclination to say "enough." The baby wants more warmth, more love, more fondling, more nourishment. The process of maturity is marked in at least one way by the learning of the ability to be satisfied with one's lot and to be content with one's possessions.

It seems that no matter how much man has he always wants more. Surely, the people of the Exodus were the most blessed in what they had been given by God. They had been given freedom from slavery; they had been given safe passage across the Red Sea; and they had been assured of safe conduct to a Promised Land. Nevertheless, three days beyond the Red Sea we find the people complaining over the lack of water. When water was supplied, they complained that it did not taste sweet enough. When it tasted sweet enough, they complained that they had no food. When they were given food, with the provision that they were not to go out into the fields to search for the food on the Sabbath, some of the people still went to glean the manna on the Sabbath. They simply did not have the capacity to say "Dayeinu" — "Enough."

According to our sages, the first law that God gave the Children of Israel after the Exodus, was the law of the Sabbath. One of the principle themes of the Sabbath is that man after six days of labor must live as if he had "enough." He must be able to be satisfied with the work of his hands throughout the Sabbath as if he had finished his work. This is what our sages understand from the passage in the Fourth Commandment which says, "six days shall you labor and you shall do all your work" — that is, you shall feel as if you have done all your work. In other words, we must be able to say "enouah."

Besides the obvious emotional benefits of this capacity to be satisfied, there is also the ethical advantage which accrues from this studied contentment. Only when one feels he has "enough" is one able to be grateful for what he has. As long as one is still searching for more, one has neither the time nor the disposition to be grateful for that which he already possesses. The Sabbath, which is the force for the feeling of contentment is also the force for the ethical requirement of thanksgiving. This explains why the psalm for the Sabbath Day begins with the following verse, "It is good to give thanks to the Lord; to sing to Thy Name O' Most H. L. High."

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RABBI AND MRS. JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN IN ISRAEL

Rabbi and Mrs. Joseph H. Lookstein left for Israel during the past week. They intend to be away for a few weeks.

The Rabbi will confer with Israel Government officials and representatives of the Ministry of Education, in connection with Bar-Ilan University, of which he is the Chancellor.

We wish Rabbi and Mrs. Lookstein a bon voyage and a safe return to our midst.

WITHIN OUR FAMILY

Birthdays-

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Victor Binstock, Maks L. Birnbach, Mrs. Adolph Citron, Edward Lebowitz, Alexander Lichtman, Oscar Perlberger, Joseph A. Perlman and Dr. Meyer Shapiro.

Anniversaries-

Warmest greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Alexander A. Bernstein, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lefkowitz and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Taffet.

Marriage-

We extend hearty congratulations to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob M. Miller, upon the marriage of Eileen Sue to Mr. Gary D. Wilensky.

May the newlyweds be blessed with a long and happy married life.

Congratulations-

We extend hearty congratulations to our member, Dr. Albert Cornell, upon his appointment as a member of the Community Planning Board Environmental Protection and Control Committee of New York City.

SISTERHOOD HAPPY DAY FUND

We acknowledge with thanks recent contributions to our Sisterhood Happy Day Fund from: Mrs. Belle Miller, Mrs. Jacob M. Miller, Mrs. Greta Pik, Mrs. J. William Rosenbluth, Mrs. Elliot Siegel and Mrs. Samuel Weiss.

Members are urged to share their joyous occasions with others by making a contribution to the Sisterhood Happy Day Fund.

Contributions should be sent to the Chairmen of the Happy Day Fund, Mrs. Harry Heyman, 120 East 81st Street or Mrs. Leon Spilky, 1160 Park Avenue. ber par pre we the offi Kel

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K. J. Boy Scout Troop 613 Ushers In Boy Scout Week

Awards Presented at Memorable Father and Son Minyan Program

On Sunday last, close to sixty members of K. J. Boy Scout Troop 613 participated in an outstanding award presentation ceremony. Many fathers were on hand to "reap the joy" of their sons' attainments. The program officially ushered in Boy Scout Week at Kehilath Jeshurun, and Ramaz School.

Adult Scouting Committee Presides

An active adult scouting committee headed by its Chairman, Michael M. Barany, and committee members Ben Deutsch, Dr. Mortimer J. Blumenthal and Mrs. Norman B. Javitt (pinchhitting for Dr. Javitt), presided at the award presentation ceremonies. Mr. Martin R. Rochlin, Vice President of the Men's Club, represented the sponsoring organization. Mr. Noam Shudofsky, the youth director of the congregation and Mr. David Gitler, Scoutmaster, played important roles in the morning's activity.

We congratulate all the members of our Boy Scout Troop, especially the young men who received their second class awards. We commend the members of the congregational family, who as members of the Boy Scout committee, are enabling our young men to receive extra-curricular good-citizenship training under the roof of Kehilath Jeshurun.



Shown above from left to right: Boy Scouts Jonathan Javitt, Joel Comet, Philip Katz, Ron Deutsch, George Blumenthal, Harlan Levy, Craig Barany, Michael Richmond, Malcolm Sage. Some of the youngsters shown above, received their second class awards. In the background, left to right: Mr. Martin R. Rochlin, Vice President of the Men's Club, Mr. David Gitler, Scoutmaster, Mr. Michael M. Barany, Chairman, Boy Scout Committee.

-REMINDER-

The Am haSefer Program of the Adult Institute will hold its first meeting on Thursday evening, February 15th, at 8:30 o'clock, at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Haskel Lookstein, 1235 Park Avenue.

The book that will be discussed is "End of the Jewish People?" We urge the members of the group to finish reading the book. The discussion leader will be Lawrence A. Kobrin.

SISTERHOOD KIDDUSH HOSTESSES Saturday, February 10, 1968 Mrs. Harry Etra Mrs. Leon Feldman Mrs. Nathan Goldsmith Mrs. Norman B. Javitt Mrs. Edward Low

RABBI HASKEL LOOKSTEIN IN YONKERS FOR YESHIVA UNIVERSITY

We are pleased to note that Rabbi Haskel Lookstein was the guest speaker last Sunday at a breakfast tendered by the Yonkers Friends of Yeshiva University, held at Congregation Sons of Israel.

We know that Rabbi Lookstein's inspiring address was a factor in the warm response elicited from the participants on behalf of Yeshiva University.

-HEADLINES OF JEWISH INTEREST-TWENTIETH CENTURY EFFICIENCY AND RABBINIC LAW

Computer CD-7 1604A – Is put to Halakhic Use

A high speed computer — CD-7 1604A is being used in Israel to help Rabbis hand down decisions in Jewish Law with greater efficiency and certainty.

Modern religious scholars in handing down decisions must draw on some half a million responsa written by more than two thousand Rabbis over a span of seventeen centuries. There is a constant increase in the material as decisions of Rabbis are added year by year.

Hitherto, the production of a key to this vast storage of literature was regarded as a monumental task of generations which could hardly keep up with recent developments. With the assistance of the high speed modern computer, the vast reservoir of Rabbinic decisions becomes easily accessible.

This task is being achieved in the State of Israel by the united efforts of Talmudic scholars working hand in hand with linguists and scientists.

MARKING A FAMILY EVENT?

Many members of the congregation follow the practice of marking a family milestone by sponsoring a Sabbath kiddush or a Father and Son Minyan breakfast.

In so doing, other members of the congregational family participate with the celebrant in marking the event.

Please be good enough to contact the Synagogue Office if you wish to sponsor a Sabbath Kiddush of a Father and Son Minyan. We will be happy to notify you of the dates that are available.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FRIDAY

Lighting	of Candles	5:05
Evening		5:10

SATURDAY, SHABBAT SHIRAH

Morning	9:00
Junior Congregation	10:15
Pre-School Service	
Dining Hall	11:00
Weekly Portion: BESHALAC	н
EXODUS 13:17 - 17:16	
Haftorah: JUDGES 4:4 - 5:3	1
Evening	5:10
Conclusion of Sabbath	5:55
FEKDAY SERVICES	

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Morning	
Sunday Morning	
Father and Son Minyan	
Evening	

Tu B'Shvat occurs Wednesday

ADULT INSTITUTE CALENDAR

Monday 10:00 A.M.

Advanced Hebrew 11:00 A.M.

Studies In Judaism

8:30 P.M. Talmud Class

Tuesday 8:30 P.M. Study Group "History of Jerusalem"

Wednesday 8:00 P.M. Beginners' Hebrew Hebrew Literature

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13-SAMUEL GALLER
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