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ZMANIM
4:43 ליכט
4:46 מנחה וק"ש
5:01 שקיעה
9:00 שחרית
9:40 סזוקש
4:18 מנחה
5:53 מעריב
72 Min 6:15
6:45 אבות ובנים

Weekly Father & Son Night Seder
7:30 – 8:15pm (8:15 Mariv)
Lead by
Rabbi Butromovitz

Sponsorships are available
845-222-1099

BAIS MEDRASH OF HAVERSTRAW**שבת קודש פרשת בא תשפ"ו****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- There will be a learning program for boys each Friday night in Shul 3 hours after light. Hot food will be served.
- All are invited to Kiddush after davening. Sponsorship is still available.
- All are invited to Shalosh Seudos in Shul. Sponsorship is still available.
- Avos U'banim this week is sponsored by the Pressburger Family ליעלי נשמת יוסף אליעזר בן החבר מרדכי ז"ל
- Beginning November 15, parking on the street overnight is prohibited. The following driveways are available to park in for Shabbos only. 43 Dunnigan, 45 Dunnigan, 50 Dunnigan.
- Membership for 2026 has been renewed and we kindly ask all to arrange a method of payment.
- The Nishei Melava Malka will take place this Motzei Shabbos 8:15pm @ 23 Nytko Drive.
- The Shul is looking to purchase additional seforim requested by those who learn in the Shul daily. Please reach out to take part in this zechus.

Dvar Torah ➔

Weekly Shiurim			
R' Akiva Goldberger	קנין המסכתא - מסכת ברכות	Mon - Fri	7:15am
R' Shaul Brander	קנין המסכתא - מסכת ברכות	Sun - Thur	9:00pm
Rabbi Reidel	הלכות שבת על הפרשנה	Thursday	10:00pm
R' Shuei Werther	شعירים בתפללה	Shabbos	After Mussaf
Rabbi Reidel	הלהכה	Shabbos	After Mincha
R' Asher Sova	ספר דעת השבת	Shabbos	8:35am
R' Raphael Balsam	ספר עיון תפילה	Shabbos Day	Before Mariv
R' Shuey Werther	קנין המסכתא - מסכת נדה	Sunday 9:30a	Tuesday 10p

Sunday Shachris 7:00 & 8:30

נור למאור

Mon-Fri Shachris

6:25

מנחה/מעריב

4:52

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מעריב 8:15 & 9:45

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דבר תורה

By: R' Shmuel T. Adler

We all wish we could connect to our Yiddishkeit more. It is challenging. Life is busy and gets stressful at times, there is so much going on around us, and our *avodas Hashem* can feel monotonous. What is Judaism all about anyways? Rav Aharon Feldman shlita says that it's a quest to connect with God. The *Ramban* at the end of this weeks *Parshas Bo* (13:16) spells out succinctly that the crux of our emuna in Hashem all stems from *yetzias mitzrayim* with all the miracles God performed there. Declares the *Ramban*, "A person does not have a connection to the Torah without recognizing that *nothing* happens 'by chance.'" We are so fortunate to be able to have this potential for meaning and spirituality. My non-Jewish, Indian, neighbors, Mr. James and Mrs. James, are now both retired. Literally every few weeks he leaves me a message that they are going on this cruise or that vacation – seriously "*chapping arein zechusim*" before the *olam haemes* arrives!!!!

We are surrounded by Hashem's presence - how can we become more cognizant of it? Sometimes even for the most atheistic of people, all they need is a more authentic approach, such as can be seen in the following illuminating story involving my dear *heilige* amazing twin brother. As an introduction: Rabbi Avrohom Eliezer Adler gives each of his classes an assignment on self awareness. The teenage students are guided to take a few moments to reflect, and answer questions such as "What are your aspirations in life? Do you have any spiritual aspirations? Please explain." Over the years he got various intriguing answers; once, a young man who my brother heard constantly expressing his skepticism about Judaism having any meaning or value, wrote, "No, he has no spiritual aspirations", but he didn't write-in the explanation portion for this! Very wisely, my brother insisted that everything needs to be filled out, and the response requires elucidation. Over the next few days, all the student would say is that "it's complicated;" until finally after a lot of cajoling he conceded – he does have spiritual aspirations, he plans to read a book about Judaism! . . . Fast forward later that year. A *gemara* came up in *shiur* which mentions "*elokai netzor*", and this boy commented that he's not familiar with what *tefilla* that is. The young man shared in confidence that *shmoneh esrei* is too long, and he doesn't really say the words! My brother enlightened him that prayer is all about talking to God and it can be in any language!, and brilliantly suggested to his struggling disciple to simply take a moment "and just talk to God in English; ask Him or thank Him for something." The next day the boy came over privately, asking what is the minimum one could say during *tefilla*; his Rebbe showed him the first *bracha* of *shmo'e* and *modim*, and after he could add a personal *tefilla*. There were a number of conversations the student initiated with Rabbi Adler, and all the while throughout these interactions my brother had doubts if his words were making any impact, bearing in mind how often this student had said in the past that religion was not worth his effort. Yet when a Rebbe truly loves and believes in his talmid, the unbelievable could happen! A few days later, this yearning bochur approached and said, "Rabbi, I want to say a secret that no one else will hear;" **Very proudly he shared "Rabbi, I must tell you that this has been the first two days in my entire life that I actually talked to God!" The young man's face was filled with pride, lit up with a huge broad smile gracing his face!** "Did it feel good to pray", asked my brother? "YES", came the assertive, effusive, response!, his talmid's head bouncing up and down in crystal clear affirmation. Indeed, Hashem exists, and certainly not "a waste of time to get to know Him!" ... Don't Start Up With Rabbi Avrohom E. Adler shlit'a!

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