

Shabbat, September 6, 2025 ~ 13 Elul, 5785

Candle Lighting in NYC: 7:03PM ~ Ends Sat 8:02 PM

Torah Reading: **KI SEITZEI**

Ki Teitzei: Deuteronomy 21:10 - 25:19

Isaiah 54:1-10

#BREAKFASTWITHELLI



## SHABBOSWITHELLI ~ PARSHAS KI SEITZEI

### Halachic Times (Zmanim)

Times for Bronx, NY 10463

Dawn (Alot Hashachar):	4:58 AM
Earliest Tallit (Misheyakir):	5:37 AM
Sunrise (Hanetz Hachamah):	6:28 AM
Latest Shema:	9:38 AM
Latest Shacharit:	10:43 AM
Midday (Chatzot Hayom):	12:53 PM
Earliest Mincha (Mincha Gedolah):	1:26 PM
Mincha Ketanah ("Small Mincha"):	4:41 PM
Plag Hamincha ("Half of Mincha"):	6:03 PM
Sunset (Shkiah):	7:19 PM
Shabbat Ends:	8:01 PM
Midnight (Chatzot HaLailah):	12:53 AM
Shaah Zmanit (proportional hour):	64:58 min.



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### JEWISH HISTORY

R. Yosef Yitzchak's marriage (1897)

Marriage of the 6th Rebbe of Chabad-Lubavitch, Rabbi **Yosef Yitzchak Schneersohn** (1880-1950), to Rebbetzin **Nechamah Dinah** (1882-1971).

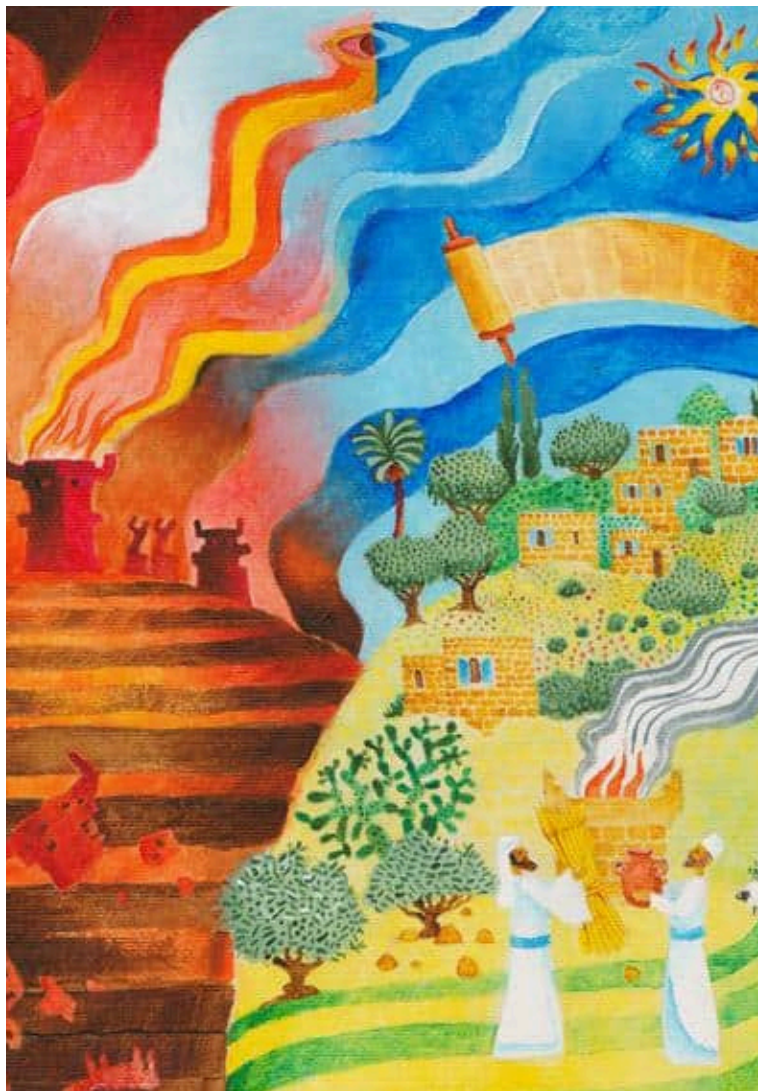
Passing of Ben Ish Chai (1909)

Elul 13 is the yahrtzeit of Rabbi Yosef Chaim of Baghdad (1835-1909), the renowned Sephardic Halachic authority and Kabbalist, known as "Ben Ish Chai" after his work by that name.





**Seventh Aliyah:** We are forbidden to withhold or delay a worker's wages. Relatives' testimony is inadmissible in a court of law. Various mandatory gifts for the poor are discussed. The procedure for corporal punishment is outlined. The mitzvah of Levirate marriage (*yibum*) is introduced: if a married childless man dies, his brother is obligated to marry the widow. If the brother refuses to marry the widow, he and she go through a chalitzah ceremony, which frees her to marry whomever she wishes. We are instructed to maintain accurate weights and measures. The reading ends with the mitzvah to remember Amalek's evil deed, ambushing the Israelites on their way from Egypt.



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### KI TEITZEI HAFTARAH IN A NUTSHELL

#### Isaiah 54:1-10

*This week's haftorah is the fifth of a series of seven "Haftarot of Consolation." These seven haftarot commence on the Shabbat following Tisha b'Av and continue until Rosh Hashanah.*

Forsaken Jerusalem is likened to a barren woman devoid of children. G@d enjoins her to rejoice, for the time will soon come when the Jewish nation will return and proliferate, repopulating Israel's once desolate cities. The prophet assures the Jewish people that G-d has not forsaken them. Although He has momentarily hid His countenance from them, He will gather them from their exiles with great mercy. The haftorah compares the final Redemption to the pact G@d made with Noah. Just as G@d promised to never bring a flood over the entire earth, so too He will never again be angry at the Jewish people.

**"For the mountains may move and the hills might collapse, but My kindness shall not depart from you, neither shall the covenant of My peace collapse."**

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**"With a little wrath did I hide My countenance for a moment from you, and with everlasting kindness will I have compassion on you."**



**Psalm 69** is a plea for help against oppressors and asks for divine punishment on the wicked, while affirming the psalmist's faith in G@d and promise to praise Him.

**Psalm 70** is a quick prayer asking G@d to hasten to rescue from those who seek to harm the speaker.

**Psalm 71** speaks of G@d as a lifelong refuge and source of strength, a place where the righteous can find lasting peace and security.

#### **Psalm 69:**

This psalm is a deep cry for salvation from suffering, with the psalmist feeling overwhelmed by his troubles and surrounded by enemies. He expresses intense pain from his oppressors and asks G@d to punish them with their deserved fate, which is to be wiped from the Book of Life. The psalmist reaffirms his faith and vows to praise G@d, even when poor and suffering, believing that his song of praise will be more pleasing to G@d than any sacrifice.

#### **Psalm 70:**

This psalm is a concise prayer, a direct plea for G@d to come quickly and rescue the speaker from those who wish them harm. The psalmist asks that his enemies be shamed and humiliated.

#### **Psalm 71:**

This psalm focuses on finding refuge and strength in G@d, who has been a source of protection and deliverance from the time the speaker was young. The psalmist asks for G@d to not cast him out or take His Spirit away, but to restore the joy of His deliverance and uphold him with a generous spirit. He expresses a desire to praise G@d and live a life of righteousness, knowing that those who trust in the L@rd will inherit the earth and live in peace.



Just as it is customary for each individual to recite daily the Tehillim corresponding to their age, Chassidim customarily recite the Kapitel (chapter) corresponding to the Rebbe's years. This year is Kapitel 124

### קבר.

« שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת לְדָוִד לְיְהוָה שְׁתִּיחַ לָנוּ יֵאמַר-  
נָא יִשְׂרָאֵל: ב' לְיְהוָה שְׁתִּיחַ לָנוּ בְּקוֹם עָלֵינוּ  
אָדָם: ג' אֲזִי חַיִּים בְּלִעְוֹנוּ בְּחַרּוֹת אַפָּם בָּנוּ: ד' אֲזִי  
הַמִּים שְׁטַפּוּנוּ נִחַלָּה עֵבֶר עַל־נַפְשֵׁנוּ: ה' אֲזִי עֵבֶר  
עַל־נַפְשֵׁנוּ הַמִּים הַזֵּדוּקִים: ו' בְּרוּךְ יְהוָה שְׁלֹא נִתְּנָנוּ

### THE REBBETZIN'S KAPITEL

To increase the reading of Tehillim - which clears the path for our prayers-many also have the custom to recite the Kapitel (chapter) corresponding to the Rebbetzin's years, in tribute to the Rebbetzin and in her memory. This year is Kapitel 125.

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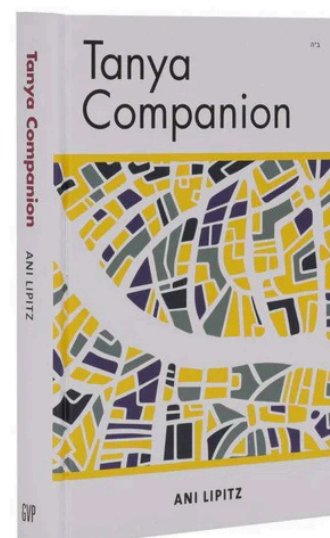
### קבה.

« שִׁיר הַמַּעֲלוֹת תַּבְּטָחִים בִּיהוָה בְּחַר־צִיּוֹן לֹא-  
אִמוּם לְעוֹלָם יֵשֵׁב: ב' וְיִוָּשְׁלֶם תְּרִים סָבִיב לָהּ וַיהוָה  
סָבִיב לְעַמּוֹ מַעֲתָה וְעַד־עוֹלָם: ג' כִּי לֹא יָגוּחַ שִׁבְט  
תִּרְשַׁע עַל גּוֹרֵל תַּצְדִּיקִים לְמַעַן לֹא־יִשְׁלַחוּ תַּצְדִּיקִים |  
בְּעוֹלָתָה יִדְיָהֶם: ד' הִמְיִיבָה יְהוָה לְטוֹבִים וְלִישָׁרִים  
בְּלִבּוֹתָם: ה' וְהַמַּטִּים עַקְלָלוֹתָם וְיִלְיָכֶם יְהוָה אֶת־  
פְּעָלֵי הָאָוֶן שְׁלוֹם עַל־יִשְׂרָאֵל:

### TANYA

#### 13 Elul, Iggeres HaKodesh, Middle of Epistle 13

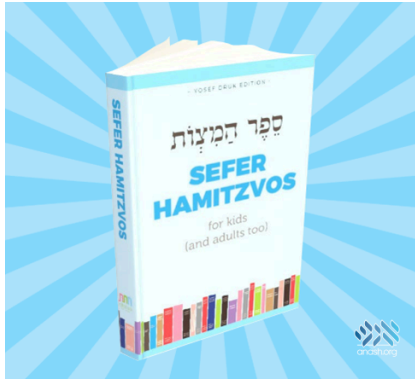
We should strive for inter-inclusion, working to incorporate the traits opposed to our soul-nature as well (i.e., traits of chesedl expansion/leniency like Beis Hillel, if we're naturally inclined to gevurah, and traits of gevurah/discipline/strictness like Beis Shammai if we're naturally inclined to chesed).



## PIRKEI AVOT

### ETHICS OF THE FATHERS: CHAPTER 1 & 2

During the summer months, from the Shabbat after Passover until the Shabbat before Rosh Hashah, we study a weekly chapter of the Talmud's Ethics of the Fathers ("Avot") each Shabbat afternoon.



SEFER HAMITZVOS SHIUR #190

### Positive Mitzvah #72

The "Adjustable" Sin Offering

"And if a person sins... he shall bring his guilt offering... but if he cannot afford..."—Leviticus 5:1.

The following individuals have to bring an "Adjustable" Sin Offering (Korban Oleh V'yored) for their transgressions:

- One who contracted a cardinal ritual impurity and inadvertently entered the Holy Temple.
- One who contracted a cardinal ritual impurity and inadvertently consumed sacrificial flesh.
- One who swore to do, or not to do, a certain act, and inadvertently violated his vow.
- One who was called by his fellow to testify on his behalf and falsely swore that he had not what to testify.

This is called an "adjustable" sacrifice for the species brought [animal, fowl or meal] is dependent on the transgressor's financial means.



HAYOM YOM  
Monday Elul 13 5703

### Torah lessons:

**Chumash:** Tavo, Sheini with Rashi.

**Tehillim:** 69-71. Also 37-39.

**Tanya:** And every year (p. 463) ...for the initiated. (p. 465).

The chassid R. Hendel related: It was known to all chassidim that at one's first yechidus the orla (insensitive "thick skin") was removed. Whatever else, one was immediately rid of the orla of the heart.

### MATTERS OF MOSHIACH

13 Elul:

**THINK ABOUT THE CHILDREN!**

Today is the wedding anniversary of the Previous Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Yosef Yitzchak Schneerson.

*I will pour My spirit upon your children, and My blessing upon your offspring. (Yishayah 44:3)*

In the times of Moshiach, even young children will be prophets and know G@d. As with every aspect of Moshiach, we must initiate these changes now through our actions. Therefore, it is essential to give our children the best Jewish education possible. A proper and complete Jewish education prevents spiritual flaws or sin, thereby erasing the cause of the exile. Jewish children educated in this spirit will, through their actions and influence on others, usher in the complete and Final Redemption.

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