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CHUMASH :: Parshas Re'eh - Chamishi with Rashi

Moshe Rabbeinu reminds the Yidden about some of the *mitzvos* they will do in Eretz Yisroel!

When plants grow in your field, you need to give *Maaser*! There are a few kinds of *Maaser* — *Maaser Rishon* (to the *Leviim*), *Maaser Sheini* (to eat in Yerushalayim), and *Maaser Oni* (that needs to be given to the poor).

In today's *Chumash*, Moshe Rabbeinu teaches the Yidden how to make sure that all of these *Maasros* are given properly.

TEHILLIM :: 108 - 112

Today's *shiur Tehillim* is *kapitelach Kuf-Ches* to *Kuf-Yud-Beis*.

In Kapitel Kuf-Yud-Alef, the pesukim have every letter of the Alef-Beis! The first half of the posuk has one letter, and the second half has the next letter. (The last two pesukim have 3 parts, with 3 letters.)

Dovid Hamelech says: "**Koach Maasav Higid Le'Amo, Lases Lahem Nachalas Goyim.**" (Do you see how the first part of the *posuk* starts with *Chof*, and the second half starts with *Lamed*?) "Hashem told Yidden the great

things He did, so He could give them a land that the *Goyim* lived in.”

What does this mean?

The first Rashi in *Chumash* tells us that Hashem made the Torah start with — not *mitzvos* — but the story of how Hashem made the world. This way, if the *Goyim* get mad that we took Eretz Yisroel, we will tell them that HASHEM made Eretz Yisroel, and Hashem let the *Goyim* live there, but then He wanted the Yidden to have it, and so He gave it to us!

TANYA :: Igeres Hakodesh Siman Zayin

In today’s *Tanya* we learn what it means when we say “*Ashreinu Mah Tov Chelkeinu!*”

We learned that the *chayus* of Hashem comes into the world through each of the many *mitzvos* and *halachos* of the Torah. We also learned that the *neshamos* of Yidden are split up into as many parts as there are *halachos*! The *chayus* of Hashem comes through the Torah to each *neshama*.

Yesterday we said that Adam *Harishon* included all of the *neshamos*. Today we see that Yaakov *Avinu* fixed up the *Cheit Eitz Hadaas* of Adam *Harishon*. So he also became like Adam *Harishon*, and the *neshamos* of all of the Yidden afterwards come from Yaakov *Avinu*! (Yidden are called *Bnei Yisrael*, the children of Yaakov!)

Just like Yaakov *Avinu* includes ALL of the *neshamos*, he also includes the whole Torah in his *neshama*!

Each of our own *neshamos* are a little piece (a *chelek*) of the *neshama* of Yaakov *Avinu*, and there is a little *chelek* of Torah that gives *chayus* to our *neshama*.

When can we feel OUR *chayus* of Hashem through our *chelek* of Torah?

During *davening*!

That’s what it means when we say “***Ashreinu, Mah Tov Chelkeinu!***” “We are so fortunate, our *chelek* is so good!” We are talking about our *chelek* of Torah and *mitzvos* which connects us to Hashem, that we can feel during *davening*!

IY”H tomorrow we will learn about the next part, “*Umah No’im Goraleinu.*”

HAYOM YOM :: Chof-Gimmel Menachem Av

Today we are going to learn something about how special our *neshama* is!

The Alter Rebbe teaches us in *Tanya* that our *neshama* is a “*Chelek Eloka Mimaal Mamosh!*” — “A part of Hashem from above — *Mamosh!*”

What does “*mamosh*” mean?

It means FOR REAL! Like you can touch it!

But that seems like two opposites! We said it’s from Hashem above, so it’s very *Ruchnius’dik*, and we’re also saying that it’s *Mamosh* — it’s like *Gashmius*!

When the Rebbe Rashab learned this with the Frierdiker Rebbe (when he was 11), he explained that the reason why he says both of these things is because that this is the whole point of the *neshama*! Even though it’s SO *Ruchnius’dik*, it’s still able to do its *Shlichus* and make the *Gashmius* holy!

Some people think that being a Yid is using the *neshama* just for learning and *davening*. But *Chassidus* teaches us how the *neshama* of a Yid needs to and is able to serve Hashem with EVERYTHING we do — even eating and drinking and playing!

SEFER HAMITZVOS :: Shiur #110 - Mitzvas Asei #94

Today's *mitzvah* in *Sefer Hamitzvos* is the same as yesterday's, *Mitzvas Asei Tzadik-Daled*.

If a person makes a *neder*, a promise to do something, it is a *mitzvah* to keep his word and do it. (Tomorrow we will learn the *Mitzvas Lo Saasei* of this *mitzvah*, that it is *asur* to NOT keep a promise.)

There are two *pesukim* in the Torah that teach us about this *mitzvah*. One is in *Parshas Ki Seitzei*, where the *posuk* says “*Motza Sefasecha Tishmor Ve'asisa*,” “The words of your mouth you should guard and keep.” The other is from *Parshas Matos*, where it says “*Kechol Hayotzei Mipiv Yaaseh*,” “He should do everything as he said he would.”

The details of the *mitzvah* are explained in many places in *Mesechta Shevuos*, *Nedarim*, at the end of *Mesechta Menachos* and in *Mesechta Kinim*. The Rambam organizes all of these *halachos* from *Mishnayos* and *Gemara* in these *perakim* in Rambam.

RAMBAM :: Hilchos Nedarim

In today's Rambam, *Perakim Daled*, *Hey* and *Vov*, we are learning more of the *halachos* of *Nedarim*, promises.

One *halacha* is that even if someone makes a *neder* that he won't get anything from a friend, his friend still may be allowed to teach him Torah, give him medicine, or do *Bikur Cholim*, which are *mitzvos*!

RAMBAM- PEREK ECHAD :: Hilchos Shabbos - Perek Beis

Even though the *halachos* of Shabbos are so important, there is a *mitzvah* that always comes first: Saving a life! In fact, if it might save someone's life, we are NOT supposed to ask a *Rav* first, we should try right away to save them, even if it means doing a lot of things that are *asur* on Shabbos.

INYANA D'YOMA :: Tanya Baal Peh

R' Mendel Futerfas A”H was a well-known *mashpia*.

Once, R' Mendel asked a respected *chossid* what had happened in his *yechidus*. The *chossid* answered that he had asked how he can be *mekushar* to the Rebbe.

The Rebbe told this man that he should learn *Tanya Baal Peh* and review it when he is walking in the street. “This way,” the Rebbe told him, “you will be *mekushar* to me, because I also review *Tanya* when I am walking in the street.”

See Sefer R' Mendel, p. 108; Osios Eisan introduction, p. 23

TEFILLAH :: Yud-Beis Pesukim - Ve'ahavta

The tenth *posuk* of the *Yud-Beis Pesukim* starts with the word “*Ve'ahavta*.”

Ve'ahavta Lereiacha Kamocha — You should love your friend like yourself!

Rabbi Akiva Omer — Rabbi Akiva says about this

Zeh Klal Gadol BaTorah — That it is a very important rule in the Torah!

In rallies, the Rebbe would mention this *posuk*. The *posuk* tells us that we should love our friends like we love ourselves — *Ve'ahavta Lereicha Kamocho!* We should make sure to share the good things we want for ourselves with our friends too.

Many times when we are learning Torah or at a *farbrengen*, we get excited about a *mitzvah* or a *minhag* we should do. The Rebbe tells us not to just do it ourselves, but share what we learned or heard with other kids, so they can be excited and keep it too!

HALACHOS HATZRICHS :: Kavod for Sefer Torah

One of the ways we show our *kavod* for the *Sefer Torah* is to be *melaveh*, to escort the *Sefer Torah*.

If the Torah passes by a person (like if he is sitting on the end seat) on its way to the *Aron Kodesh*, he should join in and go along with it until it reaches the *Aron Kodesh*. If it didn't pass by him, a person should still follow it with his eyes, by looking at the *Sefer Torah* until it reaches where it belongs.

In a very big *shul* (like 770), a person shouldn't push to join the line of people going with *Sefer Torah*. There are so many people there, you will probably end up squishing someone or pushing them. That wouldn't be *kavod* for the *Sefer Torah* at all!

But if someone is in a smaller *shul* and the Torah passes by him, he should join along with the Torah and bring it to the place it belongs.

See *Shulchan Aruch siman 149*, and *Piskei Teshuvos vol. 2, p. 208*

GEULAH U'MOSHIACH :: Everyone Will Have Nevuah!

The next *sefer* of *Trei Asar* is Yoel.

There are two main *inyonim* in the *sefer* of Yoel: That there will be a plague of locusts if the Yidden don't do *teshuvah*, and a *nevuah* about *Moshiach*.

One of the things the *Navi* Yoel says about the times of the *Geulah* is that all of the Yidden will be *Neviim!* Hashem tells the *Navi*:

וְהָיָה אַחֲרָי כֵן אֲשַׁפּוֹךְ אֶת רוּחִי עַל כָּל בָּשָׂר וְנִבְאוּ וּנְבִאוּ וּבְנֵיכֶם וּבְנֵיכֶם וּבְנֵיכֶם וְקִנְיֵיכֶם יִחְלְמוּן יִחְלְמוּן בְּחֹרֵיכֶם חֲזִינֹת יֵרָא

Vehaya Acharei Chein — This will happen afterwards, in the time of the *Geulah*

Eshpoch Es Ruchi Al Kol Basar — I will pour My *chochmah* and understanding of Hashem onto every person.

Venib'u Bneichem Uvnoseichem — Your sons and daughters will say *nevuos*,

Zikneichem Chalomos Yachalomun — Your old people will dream *nevuos*,

Bachureichem Chezyonos Yir'u — Your young men will see visions of *nevuos!*

See *Yoel perek Gimmel posuk Alef*

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