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August 21-22, 2015 ■ 6 Elul, 5775 ■ Shabbos Shoftim
Candlelighting: 7:47P (Preferably light by 7:25P) ■ Shabbos Ends 8:54P

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■ REFUAH SHELAIMA

MEN

- » Yisroel Michoel ben Shulamis (Father of Chani Tkatch)
- » Yechiel Mordechai ben Devorah (Brother of Ken Jarmel)
- » Itai ben Shoshana (Son of Ehoud & Shoshana Wilson)
- » Yoseif Yitzchok ben Yehudis Chaya (Brother in Law of Yoseif Meir Rich)
- » Mattisyahu Chaim ben Ettl (HaRav Mattisyahu Solomon)

WOMEN

- » Brocha bas Sora (Mother of Hadassah Klug)
- » Yenta Leah bas Shayna (Mother of Lori Jarmel)

■ WHAT'S NU AT CTC

» **2015 Rosh Hashana Meat Sale:** The meat being sold in this sale is KOSHER PREMIUM BEEF. This is the Cadillac of beef, not available anywhere else in Dallas, TX. This is the same great quality served in the finest restaurants around the world. It is more marbled, more tender and much more tasty. We are so happy to be able to offer you this exceptional product for Rosh Hashana. Bon Appetit! Congregation Toras Chaim is offering, as a service to the Dallas Jewish community quality glatt kosher beef for Rosh Hashana. These larger cuts are being bought at reduced prices with the savings being passed on to our Jewish friends and families.

- Meat comes vacuum sealed for freshness and cleanliness
- Only safe United States beef is used: no imports

Order Deadline and Pickup

- **Order Deadline Monday, August 24, 2015, 11:30 PM.**
- Pickup is at Congregation Toras Chaim, 7103 Mumford Ct., Dallas, TX 75252, Sunday, September 6, 2015 at 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

All selections will show as FREE on the order form to save you from paying online costs. Please pay by cash or check when picking up order. All weights are only approximations. They may be bigger or smaller than the advertised size. We will try our absolute best to fill every order. For more information text Rabbi Yaakov Rich at (972) 835-6016 or email rabbi@toraschaimdallas.org.

Selections to Order

- Chuck Deke (4.4 lbs/piece, 4 pieces/package, \$5.49/lb)
- Whole Brisket (17 lbs/piece, \$7.29/lb)
- First Cut Brisket (8 lbs/piece, \$11.99/lb)
- French Roast (6 lbs/piece, \$10.29/lb)
- Shoulder Roast (Netted) (12 lbs/piece, \$6.99/lb)
- Minute Roast – Order by the package (6 lbs/piece, 2 pieces/

package, \$9.49/lb)

- London Broil – Order by the package (3 lbs/piece, 4 pieces/package, \$7.59/lb)
 - Boneless Rib Eye Lip On (16 lbs/piece, \$13.99/lb)
 - Bone-In Rib Eye (31 lbs/piece, \$9.99/lb)
 - Short Rib – Order by the package (5 lbs/piece, 2 pieces/package, \$8.59/lb)
 - Skirt Steak – Order by the package (2 lbs/piece, 5 pieces/package, \$13.99/lb)
 - Tongue – Order by the package (3 lbs/piece, 2 pieces/package, \$9.69/lb)
 - Hanger Steak – Order by the package (3 lbs/piece, 5 pieces/package, \$14.29/lb)
 - » **Don Tkatch's Cholent in a Bag: Add Water & Cook:** For Immediate Sale, Exclusively from Congregation Toras Chaim, Don Tkatch's Unbelievably Delicious & World Famous CHOLENT IN A BAG.
 - Will Feed an Entire Family
 - Store in Freezer for When You Need Something Delicious and Convenient
 - Your Wife Will LOVE YOU!
 - You and Your Guests will LOVE IT!
 - Economically Priced
 - Comes in its Own Crock Pot Cholent Bag
 - Freshest, Tastiest, Juiciest Meat and Ingredients
 - The only thing we don't do is turn on your crock pot for you. You need to do that yourself :-)
 - The freshest ingredients with Don's Secret Recipe come assembled and frozen in a cholent bag. All cholents are made with the highest quality Angus Beef Chuck Back Ribs. Just add water and cook.
- Choose from a) Southern Spicy and b) Regular. Cost is just \$20/bag. Contact Rabbi Yaakov Rich at rabbi@toraschaimdallas.org or (972) 835-6016.

■ FOR ME: RABBI LABEL LAM

If there will be among you a needy person, from one of your brothers in one of your cities, in your land the HASHEM your G-d, is giving you, you shall not harden your heart, and you shall not close your hand from your needy brother. Rather, you shall open your hand to him, and you shall lend him sufficient for his needs, which he is lacking. (Devarim 15:7-8)

[sufficient for his needs] what he is lacking; Even a horse to ride on and a servant to run before him ... he [is lacking]: Heb. , lit. what is lacking for him. This refers to a wife [i.e., you should help him marry a wife]. Similarly, it is stated: "I shall make for him () a helpmate opposite him" (Breishis 2:18). – Rashi

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not that loneliness is no good. Everyone knows that! Being singular is no good! without helpful opposition he may have a distorted picture of himself and his place in the world. He may see himself too small and be in need of being lifted and he may be too high and be in need of being brought gently back down to earth.

Sitting on that last idea for a minute, an amazing notion about marriage can easily be inferred. It may sound too obvious, but it is worth stating and restating. The man's wife is for him. She is created for, designed, designated, packaged, and delivered just to match and complete him -perfectly. There is nothing arbitrary about this selection. Rather each match is tailor made, with the just the right temperament and tone.

She is his helper opposite him, like a mirror giving him the good news and the bad. The mirror doesn't lie. The wife does the same but wise woman reveals this truth in tolerable doses to complete her man and her mission.

This lesson hit home surgically more than thirty years ago when my wife and I were first wed. Before I got married I thought I was a big Tzadik. I used to stop on the road and give everyone rides, just 'cause they were a fellow Yid. A few weeks into marriage I realized that while I was running my life with clock my wife was using a calendar. I like getting where I have to go on time and punctuality did not seem to mean the same for her.

It was early one boiling hot summer morning and it was time for me to leave to be on time for my study partner after dropping my bride at her place of work. I sat in the car revving the engine and honking for what seemed like eons. Finally she came out smiling as if nothing was wrong, got into the car with an "OK". I sped away at 70 MPH. I was turning corners on two wheels. I thought if I go faster than the speed of light I'd get there yesterday.

Suddenly on the last turn up Albert Drive a steep-steep hill, we whisked past an elderly lady with two large shopping bags weighing down her aged arms. As we were speeding by my wife broke the silence, "Maybe we should give her a ride." Without a moment of hesitation, I responded, "It's probably the only exercise she ever gets!" When we arrived at the top of the hill and I opened the door hurriedly there was a gentle toned response waiting for me, "Since when are you so concerned about everybody else's exercise!?"

In that one phrase I was exposed as a fraud. I did not pick up people when I was in a hurry or not in the mood, but only when it was convenient. I lived with that blind spot for years until it was exposed for me.

■ PARSHA Q&A: SHOFTIM

1. What is the role of shoftim? What is the role of shotrim? 16:18 - Shoftim are judges who pronounce judgment. Shotrim are officers who enforce it.
2. What qualifications should one look for when appointing a judge? 16:18 - That he is expert in the law and that he is righteous.
3. May a judge accept a bribe if only for the purpose of judging fairly? 16:19 - No, because it will sway his judgment.
4. What is the source for the concept "seek out a good beit din"? 16:20 - "Tzedek tzedek tirdof..."
5. Although the avot built matzevot, the Torah later forbade do-

ing so. Why? 16:22 - Because the Canaanites used them for idolatry.

6. "You will come to...the judge who will be in those days." It's impossible to visit a judge living at a different time, so why must the Torah add these apparently extra words? 17:9 - To teach that although a judge may not be as eminent as judges of previous generations, we must obey him nevertheless.
7. What does Hashem promise a king who doesn't amass much gold, doesn't raise many horses and doesn't marry many wives? 17:18 - That his kingdom will endure.
8. How many Torah scrolls must the king have? 17:18 - Two. One stays in his treasury and one he keeps with him.
9. How was King Shaul punished for disobeying a minor command of the Prophet Shmuel? 17:20 - He lost his kingship.
10. Certain kosher animals are not included in the law of "chazeh, shok and keiva." Which ones? 18:3 - Chayot (non-domestic-type animals).
11. Families of kohanim served in the Beit Hamikdash on a rotational basis. When was this rotation system implemented? 18:8 - During the time of David and Shmuel.
12. Which three categories of false prophets are executed? 18:20 - One who prophesies something he didn't hear, something told to another prophet, or prophecies in the name of an idol.
13. What does it mean to "prepare the way" to the cities of refuge? 19:3 - To post direction signs saying "refuge" at the crossroads.
14. How many witnesses are meant when the Torah writes the word eid (witness)? 19:15 - Two, unless otherwise specified.
15. "Through the mouth of two witnesses..." What types of testimony does this verse invalidate? 19:15 - Written testimony and testimony translated from a language which the judges don't understand.
16. If witnesses in a capital case are proven to be zomemim (false-conspirators) before their intended victim is executed, how are they punished? 19:19 - They are put to death.
17. Why does the section about going to war follow the laws governing witnesses? 20:1 - To teach that if the Jewish People execute fair judgment they will be victorious in war.
18. The Jewish army is warned of four "scare-tactics" the enemy might employ. What are they? 20:3 - (a)Clanging their shields (b)Making their horses stomp and whinny (c)Shouting (d)Blowing horns.
19. When a murder victim is found in a field, who determines which city is closest? 21:2 - The Sanhedrin.
20. What happens if the murderer is found after the calf's neck was broken? 21:9- He is tried and, if guilty, executed.

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- » Before Shacharis Gemara Rosh Hashana for men (M-Fr, 6-6:35A)
- » NQ Daf HaYomi Beitzah for men (Sunday-Thursday 8-9P)
- » Chumash for men & women (Shabbos one hr before mincha)
- » Hilchos Taaruvos for men (Sunday 7:00-8:00A)
- » Supercharge Your Sundays for men (Sunday after Shacharis for 45 mins. with R' Noach Klug)
- » Marriage Chaburah for women (Tuesday 7:15-8:00P)