



Shabbos, Parshas Re'eh 5786

FRIDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 7

- » Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos/Maariv 7:00 PM
- » Candles 8:05 PM
- » Sunset 8:23 PM

SHABBOS DAY, AUGUST 8

- » **Shacharis 8:30 AM followed by Kiddush.**
- » 15-min Pirkei Avos Shiur for Women and Kedushas Levi Chabura for Men are on following Kiddush.
- » Women & Children Shalosh Seudos at Rich Home 6:15 PM.
- » **Gemara Avoda Zara** with Rabbi Yaakov Rich in shul 7:05 PM
- » Mincha followed by Shalosh Seudos in shul for men 7:50 PM
- » Sunset 8:22 PM
- » Maariv 9:04 PM
- » Shabbos Ends (50 min) 9:12 PM
- » Rabbeinu Tam (72 min) 9:34 PM

A WISE MAN WOULD SAY: "THE PROBLEM IS NOT WHETHER MACHINES THINK BUT WHETHER MEN DO."

REFUAH SHELAIMA

Men

- » Yosef Lieb ben Golda Leah (Lisa Rothstein's Uncle)
- » Daniel Ze'ev ben Miriam (Brother of Josh Rothstein)

Women

- » Sipke Grune bas Lillian (Jeff Luftig's Mother)
- » Hinda bas Pessie (Harriet Goldman)
- » Ester bas Sarah (Aunt of Yoseif Goldenberg)
- » Layah Leilech bas Shulamis (Friend of Shira Martin)
- » Devorah bas Heni (Friend of Aviva Bass)
- » Shoshana Gittel bas Chaya Leah (Sister of Naomi Goldberg)

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

- » Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by the members of the Guarantee Kiddush Club.

CTC SCHEDULE OF SHIURIM/TEFILLAH (Week of Aug 2, 2026)

- » Gemara Zevachim, Mon - Fri, 6:00-6:30 AM
- » **Shacharis, 6:30 AM followed by 5-min Mishna shiur**

- » Amud HaYomi Chullin: Sunday - Friday, 12 -1 PM, On Zoom with Rabbi Yaakov Rich. Email Rabbi Rich for the link.
- » SEED Beis Medrash 7:05 PM
- » Mincha/Maariv 8:05 PM
- » Inspired Learning 8:35 PM
- » **Two Great Marriage Chaburos:** For Men, Sundays following Mincha; For Women, Sundays, 9 PM on a conference call. Contact Rebbetzin Susan Rich for the phone number and access code.

TIDBITS

Parashas Re'eh • August 8th • 25 Av 5786

This week is Shabbos Mevorchim Chodesh Elul. Rosh Chodesh is Thursday & Friday, August 13th-14th. The molad is Thursday morning at 8:15 AM (no chalakim).

Kiddush Levana may be recited as of Sunday night, August 16th. The final opportunity is Wednesday night, August 26th.

Some are particular to observe Yom Kippur Katan especially for the month of Elul, to inaugurate the month as a month of Teshuvah. Yom Kippur Katan is Wednesday, August 12th.

On the second day of Rosh Chodesh, we begin adding LeDavid Hashem Ori at the end of davening. Nusach Ashkenaz adds LeDavid at Maariv and Shacharis and will begin on Thursday night during Maariv. Nusach Sefard adds LeDavid at Shacharis and Minchah and will begin with Shacharis on Friday. The Shofar is sounded along with LeDavid at Shacharis on weekdays. LeDavid is added through Shemini Atzeres. Many Sefardim begin saying Selichos before Shacharis on the second day of Chodesh Elul (the day after Rosh Chodesh).

Rosh Hashanah begins on Friday night, September 11th.

Yom Kippur begins on Sunday evening, September 20th.

Succos begins on Friday night, September 25th.

RE'EH: The blessings for those who keep the mitzvos and the curses for those who reject them • Upon entering the land, you must accept the mitzvos upon yourself at Har Gerizim and Har Eival, and recognize their accompanying reward and punishment • Drive out the seven Canaanite nations and destroy their gods • In a designated place [the Beis Hamikdash] you will serve Hashem • Laws of Korbanos • Do not practice idolatry • Keeping kosher • Laws of a Jewish slave • Firstborn



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animals • Yomim Tovim • See Taryag Weekly for the various mitzvos.

Haftarah: The haftarah (Yeshaya 54:11-55:5) relays the promise that Hashem will one day redeem us from exile. During all the years of exile, Hashem will safeguard us from the spiritual and physical oppression brought by other nations.

Parashas Re'eh: 126 Pesukim • 17 Obligations • 38 Prohibitions

1) Destroy avodah zarah. 2) Do not destroy holy items. 3) Fulfill vows for korbanos or bedek habayis on the first chag after the vow is made. 4-5) Bring korbanos to the Beis HaMikdash; do not bring korbanos elsewhere. 6) Blemished korbanos should be redeemed and purchased anew. 7-9) Do not eat Ma'aser Sheini outside of Yerushalayim. 10) Do not eat a Bechor animal outside Yerushalayim. 11) Do not eat Kodashim outside their designated place. 12) Do not eat from a korban olah. 13) Do not eat meat of a korban before the sprinkling of its blood. 14) Do not eat Bikkurim prior to placing them in the Temple Courtyard. 15) Do not withhold the Levi'im's gifts. 16) Perform Shechitah prior to eating meat. 17) Do not eat Eiver Min Hachai (meat from a living animal). 18) Bring korbanos personally to the Mikdash. 19-20) Do not add or subtract mitzvos from the Torah. 21) Do not listen to a prophet of avodah zarah. 22-26) Do not heed or befriend a meisis (one who influences others to avodah zarah); do not absolve your hatred for him; do not save his life or defend him in judgment. 27) Do not missionize for idolatry or become missionized. 28) Review witnesses' testimony. 29-31) Burn down an idolatrous city; do not rebuild it or benefit from its spoils. 32-33) Do not cut yourself or pull-out hair in grief. 34) Do not eat disqualified Kodashim. 35) Check birds for signs of kashrus. 36) Do not eat flying insects. 37) Do not eat Neveilah. 38) Separate Ma'aser Sheini. 39) Give Ma'aser Ani. 40,42) Do not collect a debt after shemittah, rather, consider it dismissed. 41) Collect debt from a non-Jew promptly. 43-44) Do not withhold charity or kindness from any Jew; give charity generously and graciously. 45) Do not refrain from lending before shemittah. 46-47) Do not send away a servant or maid-servant empty-handed; rather, provide them with gifts. 48-49) Do not work with a korban animal or shear its wool for your benefit. 50) Do not eat chametz after midday on Erev Pesach. 51) Do not leave over meat from the Korban Chagigah. 52) Do not sacrifice a Korban Pesach on a private bamah. 53) V'samachta B'chagecha. 54-55) Go up for Aliyah L'regel and do not come empty-handed (i.e. bring a korban olas re'iyah and a korban

chagigah).

Let us seek foreign gods who are foreign to us and serve them (Devarim 13:3)

Rav Chatzkel Levenstein zt"l would explain that this pasuk admonishes an idol worshiper: Aside from the gravity of the sin, a lack of focus and basic "seichel" caused him to overlook the obvious and serve a powerless idol and an entity with no real power. Man's greatness is seen in his ability to override his inborn inclinations and desires and instead act according to his intellect. A deficiency in this regard displays animal-like behavior, and a lacking in the greatness of man.

Rav Chatzkel would comment that upon beginning the month of Elul, one must contemplate the absurdity of coming before Hashem on the upcoming holiday of Rosh Hashanah to ask of Him continued blessing without contemplating and making an accounting of his deeds and activities. Only after stopping and thinking what one can offer Hashem is it possible to ask Him for a sweet new year.



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