



Shabbos, Parshas Nitzavim - Vayeilech 5786

FRIDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 4

- » Mincha/Kabalas Shabbos/Maariv 7:00 PM
- » Candles 7:32 PM
- » Sunset 7:50 PM
- » There will be a Shalom Zachor for the Schickler twins at the Rich home, beginning 9:45 PM tonight, 7119 Bremerton Ct., Dallas 75252. All are invited to come.

SHABBOS DAY, SEPTEMBER 5

- » **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 6:00 PM
- » **Gemara Avoda Zara** with Rabbi Yaakov Rich in shul 6:45 PM
- » Mincha followed by Shalosh Seudos in shul for men 7:30 PM
- » Sunset 7:49 PM
- » Maariv 8:31 PM
- » Shabbos Ends (50 min) 8:39 PM
- » Rabbeinu Tam (72 min) 9:01 PM
- » Selichos Begins: 1:25 AM

A WISE MAN WOULD SAY: "EVERY SINGLE JEW HAS THE CAPACITY FOR DOING TESHUVAH. THAT IS, EVERYONE EXCEPT FOR A PERSON WHO LIES."

REFUAH SHELAIMA

Men

- » Shimon ben Yittela (HaRav Shimon Silver)
- » David Reuven ben Chana (Rothstein Family Friend)
- » 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 Sept 6, 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.
- » Mincha/Maariv 7:25 PM
- » Becoming a Ba'al Bitachon 7:55 PM
- » **Two Great Marriage Chaburos:** For Men, Sundays 7:55 PM; For Women, Sundays, 9 PM on a conference call. Contact Rebbetzin Susan Rich for the phone number and access code.

TIDBITS

Parashas Nitzavim-Vayeilech • September 5th • 23 Elul 5786

Selichos (for Ashkenazim) begin this Motzaei Shabbos, September 5th. Selichos are generally recited each morning before davening, although some say it the night before (after chatzos, according to many). One should say Birchah Hatorah each morning prior to reciting Selichos. Selichos, and especially the Yud Gimmel Middos (Hashem, Hashem...), should be said with concentration and sincerity. It is more worthwhile to daven at one's own pace than to rush through to keep up with the minyan. However, when the congregation reaches the Yud Gimmel Middos, one should say it along with them. When the congregation reaches Tachanun, one should say Tachanun along with the congregation and need not return to make up for what he skipped. Someone saying Selichos without a minyan omits the Yud Gimmel Middos, as well as the Aramaic passages following Tachanun (Machei Umasei etc.). There is a minhag for the Sheliach Tzibbur of Selichos to serve as the Sheliach Tzibbur for the other Tefillos that day.

Vehi Noam is recited on Motzaei Shabbos.

Mevorchim Hachodesh is not recited for Chodesh Tishrei. The molad for Chodesh Tishrei is Friday night 8:59 PM and 1 cheilek.

The first opportunity for Kiddush Levana is Monday night, September 14th. It is customarily delayed until Motzaei Yom Kippur. The final opportunity is the first night of Succos, Friday night, September 25th.



Shabbos, Parshas Nitzavim-Vayeilech 5786

Selichos begin this Motzaei Shabbos Parshas Nitzavim-Vayeilech, September 5th.

Rosh Hashanah begins next Friday night, September 11th.

Tzom Gedaliah is on Monday September 14th.

Yom Kippur begins on Sunday night, September 20th.

Succos begins on Friday night, September 25th.

NITZAVIM: On the last day of his life, Moshe Rabbeinu gathers the people to enter them into an eternal covenant • If one goes astray and serves other gods thinking he will be spared, the curses stated in the Torah will be visited upon him • Hashem will not punish us for the hidden sins of another, but only for our failure to uproot others' known misdeeds • When you witness the fulfillment of the berachos and kelalos you will be inspired to repent • The mitzvah of Teshuvah (alternatively, learning Torah) is not difficult; it is well within reach • Hashem lets you choose between life and death - choose life!

VAYEILECH: Moshe takes leave of Klal Yisrael • Moshe encourages Yehoshua in front of all of Klal Yisrael • Moshe writes a Sefer Torah • Moshe teaches the mitzvah of Hakhel • Moshe and Yehoshua enter the Mishkan together and receive prophecy • The mitzvah of writing a Sefer Torah • Moshe's Sefer Torah is placed alongside the Aron as a testimony

Haftarah: The haftarah of Nitzavim - "Sos Asis" (Yeshayah 61:10-63:9) - is the final haftarah of the Shiva D'nechemta. Yeshayah Hanavi proclaims that we will rejoice in Hashem with the final redemption when we emerge triumphant from exile, enveloped in glory and royalty, similar to a chassan and kallah.

Parashas Nitzavim: 40 Pesukim • No Mitzvos listed

Parashas Vayeilech: 30 Pesukim • 2 Mitzvos Asei

1) Hakhel: In the year after shemittah, on the second day of Succos, all of Klal Yisrael gathers to hear the king read portions of Mishneh Torah (Sefer Devarim). 2) Write a Sefer Torah (or commission one to be written).

Mitzvah Highlight: The mitzvah to write a new Sefer Torah is for the purpose of making Torah accessible. Even if one inherited a Sefer Torah, the mitzvah still applies, as writing another sefer will allow others to benefit from it. A newer sefer is also more appealing to the

reader. For these reasons it is important to publish new sefarim and publications on Torah topics (Sefer HaChinuch).

(Selichos)

We begin Selichos with the words, - Like poor and destitute people we knock on your door.

A person who falls on hard times financially and finds himself in need of assistance is still very hesitant to approach others for help. At first, he'll perhaps try to drop a hint to people close to him that things aren't going well, or some other subtle insinuation that help is needed. However, once a poor man reaches 'rock-bottom', he'll just walk up to the nearest rich man's door and bang in desperation.

The Gemara (Rosh Hashana 16b) says Kol shanah sherashah b'tchilasah, misasheres b'sofah, Any year which begins in poverty will ultimately be a prosperous year. In reality, this doesn't seem to always be the case. How can we understand this gemara?

Rav Shlomo Heiman zt"l quotes Rav Naftali Trop zt"l: We often find that those with immediate needs, such as those facing a health crisis or who are in need of a shidduch, daven most intently on Rosh Hashanah. The person who just lost his job is concentrating much harder than the fellow next to him who is in a secure senior position at his firm. But in reality, on Rosh Hashanah we are all "between years" and "between jobs", as our fate for the year is yet to be determined. Although we often get to keep our positions, we are not guaranteed anything. And so, it would be worthwhile to begin the year on Rosh Hashanah with the mindset that we are poor, and so our Tefillos will be even more effective in bringing us the success that we ask for.

K'dalim uch'rashim dafaknu delasecha, we come into selichos asking, begging, like one who knows that all his possessions are only due to Hashem's graciousness and mercy.