## Agudas Yisroel Anshei Kielce



<u>Zmanim</u> Candle Lighting: 5:25 pm Mincha/Kabbalas Shabbos: 5:25 pm Shacharis: 8:45 am **Hilchos Shabbos Shiur: CANCELLED** Mincha/**SEUDAS SHLISHIS**: 5:15 pm Maariv/Motzei Shabbos: 6:29 pm Motzei Shabbos Rabbeinu Tam: 6:56 pm <u>Sunday Shacharis: 8:00 am & 9:00 am</u>

## Parshas Terumah Adapted from Rabbi Yochanan Zweig [www.torah.org]

## **Out of Service**

(25:6) "oil for illumination, spices for the anointing oil and the aromatic incense"

This week's parsha introduces the contributions that were made for the construction of the "Mishkan" "Tabernacle", its vessels and the Priestly garments. Parshas Terumah elaborates upon the construction of the Mishkan and its vessels, whereas Parshas Tetzaveh deals primarily with the description of the Priestly garments. A few of the recorded contributions appear out of place. The verse records that Bnei Yisroel donated oil for the Menorah and spices for the incense offering, items which are elements of the service performed in the Mishkan. Why then, questions the Chizkuni, are these contributions recorded together with the construction of the vessels and the Mishkan?

The Torah relates the dimensions of the Table which was located near the northern wall of the Mishkan's outer chamber. This description concludes with the requirement that the show-bread continuously be upon the Table.

The Rambam authored a work which records all of the six hundred thirteen precepts. The commentaries on the Rambam pay careful attention to the order by which he records these precepts, for each one is meticulously assigned its designated place. A perplexing fact is that the Rambam begins recording the Temple service in precept number forty, although he previously records the lighting of the candles (#25), the placing of the show-bread (#27), and the burning of the incense (#28), all of which are generally considered part of the Temple service. Why does he record them after the precept of building the Temple (#20), but prior to the precept which begins detailing the Temple service?

In Parshas Beha'aloscha the Torah records Aharon's obligation to light the Menorah. Additionally, the Torah records the construction of the Menorah. Why does the Torah juxtapose the construction to the lighting? Addressing the reason why the Torah records the oil for the Menorah as part of the materials used in the construction of the Mishkan, the Chizkuni suggests that although the oil is used in the Menorah service it has an additional function, to illuminate the palace of the King. The oil is therefore not only an element of the service, but a function of the building as well, and as such, is recorded with the building's construction. However, the Chizkuni's answer does not sufficiently address the difficulty from Parshas Beha'aloscha, for according to him the lighting is a function of the construction of the building, not the Menorah.

The Chizkuni adds that the incense is also a function

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of the building for it is appropriate that the palace of the King should be well aromatized. This explanation is supported by a comment made by the Rambam in the Moreh Nevuchim where he states that the purpose for the incense offering brought upon the Golden Altar is to aromatize the building and the Priestly garments. The commentaries on the Rambam struggle to find a source for his comments. The Chizkuni's explanation sheds light as to where the Rambam derives the notion that the purpose of the incense is to aromatize the building. The source for the second part of the Rambam's statement that the incense is used to aromatize the Priestly garments stems from the fact that the Torah records the specifications of the Golden Altar in Parshas Tetzaveh, while all the other vessels are recorded in Parshas Teruma. Why does the Torah record the dimensions of the Altar used for the incense in the parsha which describes all of the Priestly garments? The Rambam concludes that the incense must be

servicing the Priestly garments.

The reason for the Torah recording the placing of the show-bread together with the construction of the Table is that the bread laying upon the Table is part of the Table's configuration. It is therefore an imperative that the Table never be without bread for this would be a lack in the very structure of the Table. It is possible that for the same reason the Torah requires that there always be oil within the lamps of the Menorah. Aside from the explanation of the Chizkuni that the light is a function of the building, the oil inside the lamps is part of their structure and is therefore recorded together with the Menorah's construction. What emerges is that the incense, show-bread and the oil for the Menorah all have functions separate from the actual service they perform. Therefore the Rambam records them prior to the precept which details the Temple service.

**Good Shabbos** 

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Mazal Tov to Sol Neger on the recent engagement of his son Moshe to Devorah Tenenbaum.

Mazal Tov to Aryah and Faige Lebovic on the recent marriage of their granddaughter, Sara Biderman to Morty Samuel.

This week's kiddush is sponsored by Aryah & Faige Lebovic and Avram and Susie Lebovic in honour of Aryah and Avram's father, Meir Lebovic OB"M.

The kids' program will take place downstairs beginning at 9:30 am.

The guest speaker for Seudas Shlishis is Rabbi Matias Ribiat. Seudas Shlishis is sponsored by the shul.

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Monday & Thursday: 7:00 am & 7:55 am Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 am & 8:00	am	Maariv 5:55 pm & 8:00 pm (Mon-Thur)
Daf Yomi with Rabbi Kaufman: 8:00 am (Shabbos), 7:15 am (Sun), 7:40 am (Mon-Fri) Amud Yomi with Rabbi Rafi Greenspan: 7:20 am (Mon-Fri)		

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