



This week's Shabbat announcements are sponsored by Gloria & Harold Gellis in honor of the 2nd *yahrtzeit* of Irving Gellis.

The unveiling for Morris Weissman will take place on Sunday, June 6th, at 1:00 P.M. at the Old Montefiore Cemetery, 121-83 Springfield Blvd., Springfield Gardens, NY 11413. The grave is located at Gate 33, Block 331, Row 1, Section L.

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Shabbat Announcements

Parshat Naso May 22, 2010 9 Sivan 5770

- *Mincha* only: 5:30 P.M.
- *Plag Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat*: 6:30 P.M.
- Earliest Candles: 6:41 P.M.
- Early *Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat*: 7:00 P.M.
- Latest Candles: 7:55 P.M.
- *Zman Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat*: 8:00 P.M.
- *Shacharit Hashkama*: 7:30 A.M.
- Rabbi Rothwachs' *Tefillah shiur*: 8:20 A.M.
- Main *Shul*: 8:45 A.M.

- *Sof Zman Kriat Shema*: 9:12 A.M.
- Youth *Minyan*: 9:30 A.M.
- Early *Mincha*: 1:45 P.M.
- *Daf Yomi*: 6:40 P.M.
- Women's Learning Group: 6:50 P.M. We will continue learning *Melachim Aleph*, Chapter 9.
- *Mincha*: 7:50 P.M.
- *Maariv*: 8:55 P.M.
- *Havdalah*: 9:04 P.M.

Schedule for Week of May 23rd:	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri
	23	24	25	26	27	28
<i>Earliest Tallit</i>	4:31	4:30	4:30	4:29	4:28	4:28
<i>Shacharit</i>	6:30	5:40	5:55	5:55	5:40	5:55
	7:15	6:20	6:30	6:30	6:20	6:30
	8:00	7:10	7:15	7:15	7:10	7:15
	8:45	8:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	8:00
<i>Mincha</i>	1:45					5:30
<i>Mincha/Maariv</i>	8:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	8:00	6:35
						7:00
						8:05
<i>Maariv</i>	9:30	9:30	9:30	9:30	9:30	

Weekly Shiurim:

- *Daf Yomi*: *Shabbat*: 6:40 P.M.
For other *Daf Yomi shiurim*, go to www.teaneckshuls.org/daf
- *Chabura on Revadim method of Talmud Study*: Sunday evening at 8:15 P.M.

- Rabbi Rothwachs' *Bava Kama shiur*: Wednesday evening at 8:30 P.M.
- *Chabura by Rabbi Herschel Grossman on Sefer Nefesh ha-Chaim* - Thursday evening, 8:15 to 9:00 P.M.

Morning Mishnah Chabura:

- Monday and Thursday - 6:55 A.M.; Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:00 A.M.

Mazal Tov:

- *Mazal Tov* to David and Esther Schnaidman on the engagement of their daughter Shoshanna to Jason Silberman of Tel Aviv (formerly of Queens). *Mazal Tov* also to Jason's parents, Chaim and Rita Silberman, who are joining us for *Shabbat*.
- *Mazal Tov* to Shari and Richie Schiffmiller on the birth of a grandson, born to their children Bracha and Dr. Howie Mazin of Teaneck. The *Shalom Zachor* will take place at the Mazin home, 987 Allen Court, beginning at 9:00 P.M.
- *Mazal Tov* to Eddie and Sandy Steinberg on the birth of their granddaughter Tamara Tzirel Oshra, born to their children Yosef and Shira Steinberg.

The next **iRabbi** program will take place this Shabbat, May 22nd, at 6:15 P.M., for **girls and boys in grades 6-8**, at the Rothwachs home, 288 Schley Place. Participants are encouraged to come prepared with questions to ask about topics that are of concern to them -- hashkafa, halacha, social issues, etc. Questions may also be e-mailed anonymously in advance to iRabbi@live.com.

We are pleased to announce that **Rabbi Menachem Leibtag**, founder of the Tanach Study Center (www.tanach.org) and one of the pioneers of Internet-based Torah Education, will be joining us as a scholar-in-residence this *Shabbat, Parshat Naso*, May 21st-22nd. His weekly essays on *Parshat ha-Shavua*, read by literally thousands of subscribers worldwide, introduce a vibrant analytical approach to thematic study of the *Tanach* and reflect over 25 years of experience as a teacher. The program schedule will be as follows:

- **Youth Oneg Friday night** (approximately 9:45 P.M.) – for 7th grade and up – "Are Some People 'Holier' Than Others?" (location: Shafier home, 100 Cherry Lane),
- **Post-Hashkama Shabbat Morning** (approximately 10:00 A.M.) – "The Day the Mishkan was Assembled, or How and Why the Same Story is Presented Differently in *Shemot, Vayikra* and *Bamidbar*" (location: Feldman home, 119 Cherry Lane)
- **Women's Shabbat Afternoon Navi Learning Group** (approximately 5:30-6:45 P.M.) – "*Malkat Shva*: The 'Queen of Theme' in *Sefer Melachim*" – please bring a *Tanach* (location: main shul)
- **Shabbat Afternoon before mincha** (approximately 6:50-7:50 P.M.) – "The Meaning of the Word 'torah' in the Torah" (location: main shul)
- **Shabbat Afternoon between mincha and maariv** (approximately 8:15-8:55 P.M.) – "Leaving *Har Sinai*: The 'Post-Shavuot Syndrome' in *Sefer Bamidbar*" (location: main shul) Everyone is welcome to attend all of the *shiurim*.

For more information, contact David Sheffey, davidsheffey@yahoo.com, or Stephen Knapp, dukeknapp@aol.com.

Miscellaneous Shul Announcements

An innovative and intensive eight-week **Bar Mitzvah training class** is being held on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 10:00 A.M. at TABC. This seminar affords your son the opportunity to personalize his Bar Mitzvah experience through hands-on learning about (1) *tefillin*, (2) becoming a *chazan*, (3) preparing a Bar Mitzvah speech and project, and more. For more information, contact Rabbi Stephen Knapp, RabbiKnapp@gmail.com, (917) 837-2810.

- It is that time of year again! The first **Sisterhood Womens' Potluck Seudah Shlishit** will be held on *Shabbat*, May 29th, at 6:00 P.M., at the Rothwachs home, 288 Schley Place. To RSVP, contact Rivka Fink, (201) 833-2527, rivkafink@optonline.net. You can also sign up online at www.luckypotluck.com/potluck/BA_Sisterhood1.
- The **Sisterhood Book Club** will be reading "**Dough: A Memoir**," by Mort Zachter. We will be meeting to discuss this book on *Shabbat*, June 5th, at 5:00 P.M., at the home of Renee Brown, 127 Edgemont Place. All Beth Aaron women are welcome. Please contact Diane Fogel, difogel@aol.com, to be added to our email list or for any questions.

The shul's annual **Siyum Mishnayot** is approaching quickly! Just a reminder to all those who signed up to learn for our annual *siyum* -- your learning must be completed by June 12th, *Shabbat Rosh Chodesh Tammuz*. If you are not sure which *mesechta* you chose, please look at the *Chevra Mishnayot* board in the *Beit Midrash* or the *Siyum Mishnayot* link on www.bethaaron.org, or contact Alden Leifer, (201) 907-0309, aldenleifer@gmail.com.

Seudah Shlishit sponsors are needed. As in past years, we are planning a special, gala *seudah shlishit* to mark the wonderful accomplishment of completing all of *mishnayot* as a *kehilla*. Please consider becoming a sponsor for this event. Dedications "in honor" or "in memory" will be accepted. Send checks and sponsorship information to the shul office, or just to www.bethaaron.org, click on "Pay your bill online," and use the payment category "Other."

It's not too early to sign up for your favorite mesechta for 2010-2011! Send your requests to aldenleifer@gmail.com, and please mark the subject line "*Siyum Mishnayot*." Consider including your child(ren) or spouse (or both) as a *chavruta*. Remember that the *Chevra Mishnayot* has a lending library of pocket-sized English *Kahati mishnayot* for your use. All requests are considered on a first-come, first-served basis.

As many of you know, **we have recently hired a new custodian -- Joe Del Lago**. For Joe to serve the shul properly, he has been instructed to accept directions from only a few authorized people. If you have not been authorized by the Rabbi or President, please do not provide instructions or guidance of any kind to Joe. If you need Joe's assistance with something, please contact Larry Shafier or David Goldberg. We appreciate your cooperation. Rabbi L. Rothwachs and Larry Shafier.

We thank the sponsors of the Scholar-in-Residence Shabbat:

- **Judy Saden-Barach** and **David Barach**, in honor of Gilad's birthday and in honor of Rav Leibtag and all the *ram'im* at Yeshivat Har Etzion
- **Mollie Fisch**
- **Esther Lauber** and **Alvin Reinstein**, in memory of Sam and Margot's grandfather Samuel Lauber
- **Fern Amper** and **Eli Schaap**, in honor of Rabbi and Chaviva Rothwachs
- **Shifra** and **Larry Shafier**

Thank you to Josh Zakheim and Jason David for all of their hard work for our **Sixth Annual Shavuot Bee**. Congratulations to **Shoshana Berger, Ayelet Kurz & Temima Macklin** on their victories. *Yasher koach* to all of the children who participated!

Beth Aaron Youth:

- **Tefillah and Shoko** continues this *Shabbat* morning at 9:15 A.M. (before the start of youth groups). Learn about *tefillah* while enjoying chocolate milk and cookies!
- For more information on youth activities, please contact Erica and Jason David, bethaaronyouth@yahoo.com, (732) 618-9473.
- The **learning group for 3rd grade boys** will meet this *Shabbat*, May 22nd, at 5:00 P.M., at the Breen home, 68 Edgemont Place. We will continue studying *Sefer Shmuel*. For more information, contact Doug Dubitsky, douglas_dubitsky@glic.com.
- The **learning group for 4th grade boys** will meet this *Shabbat*, May 22nd, at 5:00 P.M., at the Klavan home, 927 Red Road. Please bring your own *Mishnah (Masechet Shabbat)*. For more information, contact Rebecca Kurz, rkurz1@yahoo.com, or Esther Klavan, esksp@aol.com.

Junior NCSY (grades 6-8):

- We now have **tie-dyed chapter t-shirts!** They say "Teaneck Titans" on the front and have our logo on the back. If you would like one, e-mail the size you want to Danielle. Each t-shirt costs \$7.
- If you have any questions about our events, please contact Danielle, bethaaronjuniors@gmail.com, (201) 247-7961.

Beth Aaron Teens (grades 9-12):

- We hope you can come to our next **Oneg** this *Shabbat*, May 22nd, at 6:00 P.M., in the shul basement.
- This *Motzaei Shabbat*, May 22nd, at 9:45 P.M., we will be going **Mini Golfing** at the Bogota Golf Center, 30 Cross Street, Bogota (for more information and directions, go to www.bogotagolfcenter.com). Each mini-golf game costs \$7. Batting cages are also an option for those not interested in mini-golf. The event will end at 11:00 P.M. It will be an exciting weekend with BA Teens, and we hope you will be there -- with your friends!
- All events are open to all local 9th to 12th graders. We'd love to hear feedback about past events and ideas for future events. We can be contacted at bethaaronteens@gmail.com, or by calling Shiffy (Staiman) Friedman, (201) 341-6022, or Noam Friedman, (201) 937-6249.

Community Announcements

CareOne, the kosher rehabilitation and nursing center located at 544 Teaneck Road, needs volunteers to help make a *minyan*. This Friday, *Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat* will begin at 7:15 P.M. *Shacharit* will be at 9:00 A.M., followed by a hot *Kiddush*. Youth groups begin at 9:30 A.M. *Mincha* will be at 7:45 P.M., followed by a *shiur* on *Masechet Ketubot* at 8:00 P.M. *Maariv* will be at 8:58 P.M.

On Sunday, June 13th, at 11:00 A.M., the Hebrew Academy for Special Children (HASC) and Bnot Yeshurun present a concert by **Uncle Moishy** at Congregation Bnai Yeshurun. Tickets are \$12 for a child and \$15 for an adult. Sponsorships are available. For more information, or to purchase tickets, contact Grant Silverstein, Grant.Silverstein@hasc.net, (718) 686-5920, or www.hasc.net.

The **Moriah School** invites all alumni from the **Class of 2006** to a **reunion**, to be held on Thursday, June 17th, at 11:30 A.M., at the school. For more information, or to RSVP, contact Erik Kessler, ekessler@moriahschool.org, or register online at www.moriahschool.org.

May is NNJKIDS Month! NNJKIDS is kicking off its second year with a community-wide awareness month, encompassing synagogues, day schools and a large network of local businesses. Enroll for a monthly/annual contribution and be eligible to win two tickets to Israel. All new contributions or increases in May will be matched up to \$100,000 – doubling the impact of each dollar contributed! Please demonstrate your commitment to Jewish Education by supporting these programs and subscribing to NNJKIDS. The suggested minimum is simply one dollar per day, or \$30 per month; however, donations at every level are welcome. To sign up, please visit nnjkids.org, or call (201) 244-4666. Check donations can be mailed to NNJKIDS, 600 South Prospect Avenue, Bergenfield, NJ 07621.

Rebbetzin Sima Spetner, world-renowned educator and distinguished parenting expert, will be presenting her **Chinuch ha-Banim Seminar** this summer in Bergenfield. The course will be held on the following mornings, from 9:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.: July 21, 22, 26, 27, 28 and 29. Class size will be limited. To obtain an application, or for more information, please contact Rivka Zauderer, (201) 232-2390, rivkalz@gmail.com.

The **Jewish Learning Experience** is pleased to announce a **new Sunday morning slower-paced instructional minyan**, which will take place every other week at Beth Aaron at 9:30 A.M., and will be followed by *Torah* learning and a light breakfast. For more information, contact Rabbi David Pietruszka, (201) 966-4498, rabbip@jle.org.

We are pleased to announce that the **Beth Aaron Boys' Choir** is available for shul functions and Beth Aaron Community's *simchas*. Updates on all activities are on the shul's website in the Youth section. For more information, or to join the choir, contact Benji Rosenbluth, bdrosenbluth@yahoo.com, (201) 357-5685, or Yehiel Levy, (201) 357-5495, yehiel@optonline.net.

The students of **The Sinai School** are offering a **free pick-up service of clothing donations** in good condition to community members. A **tevilat keilim** service is also available. All pick-ups are on Thursday evenings. Dishes will be returned within two weeks of pick up. There is a suggested donation of \$2 for *tevilat keilim*. For more information, contact Rochel Weitzman, Rrodina@sinaischool.org, (646) 701-1255.

The **Teaneck Baby Gemach** has formula, diapers and clothing up to size 4T for girls and boys. It is open to anyone in Bergen County **regardless of financial status**. If you would like to receive items anonymously through the *gemach*, you may send an email to jrfleisher@gmail.com with the items you need and they will be put out on the front porch for you to pick up at a designated time. We are still low on the following items and would appreciate donations of diapers, specialty formula (Soy, Gentlease, Nutramigen, etc), onesies, pajamas and one-piece outfits. We also give and receive donations of baby food.

Parasha Questions for Parshat Naso

- (a) Why did Hashem command, "nasso" (take a census), for *Bnei Kehat* (*Bamidbar* 4:2) and for *Bnei Gershon* (4:22), but not for *Bnei Merari* (4:29)? (b) Since *Gershon* was *Levi's* oldest son, why did Hashem describe the duties of *Bnei Kehat*, *Levi's* second son, before those of *Bnei Gershon*? (c) (1) What is the meaning of one of the duties of the *levi'im* being "la'avod avodat avoda" ("to work the service of the service")? (2) Why did the *levi'im* sing when the *kohanim* offered the *korbanot*? (*Bamidbar* 4:22-29,47)
- (a) (1) Why did Hashem command *vidui* (verbal confession of sins) (4 reasons)? (2) Since the *vidui* requirement was stated previously in *Parashiot Vayikra* (5:5) and *Acharei Mot* (16:16), why is this *mitzvah* repeated here? (b) Why are the laws of bringing mandatory gifts to *kohanim* followed by the *sotah* laws (2 reasons)? (*Bamidbar* 5:7-10)
- (a) Why does the *sotah* ritual involve immersing a written document in water mixed with earth? (b) How did the *sotah* ritual punish her *mida ke-neged mida* by: (1) (i) humiliating her? (ii) with public disgrace? (2) her hair being: (i) uncovered? and (ii) disheveled? (3) having a rope tied around her? (4) her bringing a *korban mincha* (4 ways)? (5) her drinking the bitter water (4 ways)? (6) having her limbs waste away? (c) What was the reason for the *sotah's korban*? (*Bamidbar* 5:12-27)
- (a) What was the purpose of becoming a *nazir*? (b) Which 10 of the 613 *mitzvot* concern *nezirut*? (*Bamidbar* 6:2-21)
- (a) Why do the *Birchat Kohanim* follow the laws of *nezirut* (2 reasons)? (b) To what do the following blessings refer: (1) "May Hashem bless you and protect you"? (2) "May He cause His *Shechina* to shine upon you"? (3) "May He lift up His face to you"? (c) Why do these 3 blessings have, respectively: (1) 3 words; (2) 5 words; and (3) 7 words? (*Bamidbar* 6:24-26)
- (a) Why did (1) *Moshe* not ask *Bnei Yisrael* to donate wagons to transport the *Mishkan* in the *midbar*? (2) Hashem command *Moshe* to accept the wagon donations of the *nesi'im*? (b) Why does the *Torah* repeat the *nesi'im's* identical offerings 12 times (2 reasons)? (c) Concerning the first day's offering: (1) why was it from *sheivet Yehuda*? (2) why does the *Torah* say "ve-korbano" (and his offering was), while saying "korbano," without the word "and," on the other days? (*Bamidbar* 7:3-5,12-83)
- (a) In the *haftarah*, why did Hashem want *Shimshon* to be a *nazir* (2 explanations)? (b) Why did the angel instruct *Shimshon's* mother not to consume wine and other foods forbidden to a *nazir*, from when she conceived *Shimshon*? (*Shoftim* 13:5-7)

Learning Opportunities

<p>· The Amud Yomi shiur meets week nights at 9:30 P.M. at Rinat Yisrael. For more information, contact Mordechai Ungar, (201) 741-3920.</p> <p>Motzaei Shabbat Rabbi Reisman's satellite <i>Navi shiur</i>: 10:30 P.M. at Keter Torah.</p> <p>Sunday · On Sunday, May 23, Yeshiva University invites you to its Midreshet Yom Rishon, weekly Sunday morning learning for women. The program which will be held at the Shenk Shul in the Schottenstein Center (on West 185th Street, between Audubon and St. Nicholas Avenues) is open to participants of all ages, backgrounds, and learning levels. Admission is free, and no registration is required. This week, <i>Midreshet Yom Rishon</i> will feature Mrs. Deena Rabinovich and Rabbi Moshe Taragin. The first <i>shiur</i> starts at 9:30 A.M.; second <i>shiur</i> starts at 10:30 A.M. For</p>	<p>more information or to download <i>mar'ei mekomot</i>, please call (212) 960-0041, or visit www.midreshetyomrishon.org.</p> <p>· On Sunday, May 23, Yeshiva University invites you to its Kollel Yom Rishon, weekly Sunday morning learning for men. The program, which will be held in Furst Hall Room 501 (500 West 185th Street, at the corner of Amsterdam Avenue) is open to participants of all ages, backgrounds, and learning levels. Admission is free, and no registration is required. This week, <i>Kollel Yom Rishon</i> will feature Rabbi Shmuel Marcus and Rabbi Shmuel Maybruch. The first <i>shiur</i> starts at 9:30 A.M., second <i>shiur</i> starts at 10:30 A.M. For more information or to download <i>mar'ei mekomot</i>, please visit www.kollelyomrishon.org or call (212) 960-0041.</p> <p>· The Chofetz Chaim Women's Learning Group will not meet this Sunday, May 23rd,</p>	<p>due the the Israeli Day Parade.</p> <p>Wednesday · Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky's Wednesday evening <i>shiur</i> takes place at Bnai Yeshurun at 9:15 P.M.</p> <p>Thursday · Rabbi Yissocher Frand's weekly <i>shiur</i> will be broadcast at 9:00 P.M. at Keter Torah. · Each Thursday evening, at 8:30 P.M., at the Yeshiva Gedolah, 1443 Palisade Avenue, Rabbi Roberts gives a Parasha Shiur, followed by <i>maariv</i> at 9:30 P.M.</p> <p>Friday · The Bergen County Kollel for Baalei Batim meets on Friday mornings from 8:00 to 9:45 A.M. in the basement of the shul. <i>Shiurim</i> include <i>mussar</i>, <i>gemara</i> and <i>halacha</i>. You can attend one or more of the <i>shiurim</i>. For more information, call Bob Oppenheimer, (201) 280-1780, Hertzal Benji, (201) 261-1453, or David Sivetsky, (201) 836-8291.</p>
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Each Tuesday and Thursday morning, **Keter Torah** presents **Torah in the AM**: 9:00 to 9:40 A.M. - *Navi chavura* on Melachim Aleph; 9:45 to 10:45 A.M. - Rabbi Menachem Meier's *Talmud shiur* on *Bava Metzia*, Chapter 5; 10:50 to 11:40 A.M.-Rabbi Meier's *shiur* on Jeremiah (Thursday only); 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon - Rabbi Baum's *shiur* on *Sefer Ezra* (Tuesday only)

Answers to Parsha Questions:

- (a) Since *nasso* also means "exalt," the *Torah* uses it for *Bnei Kehat*, who were of elevated status by carrying the *aron*, and for the offspring of *Gershom*, with higher status as *Levi's bechor*, but not for *Merari*, who had neither of these distinctions (*Moshav Zekeinim*). (b) *Bnei Kehat* were instructed first because they were responsible for carrying the items with the highest *kedusha* level – the *aron*, *menorah*, *shulchan* and other utensils. Since *Bnei Gershom* carried the curtains and other items with less *kedusha*, *Hashem* described their role next. *Bnei Merari* carried the *Mishkan's* planks, pillars and sockets, with even less *kedusha*, and they came third (*Abarbanel*). (c) (1) The "avoda of the avoda" refers to the musical tasks of the *levi'im* – their *avoda* of singing and playing musical instruments accompanied the *kohanim's avoda* of offering the *korbanot* (*Rashi*). (2) To offer a *korban* properly, the offerer had to be in a state of joy; music makes people joyous, and the music turned the *avoda* of the *korbanot* into a totally joyful service to *Hashem*. This also is why we sing while *davening* (*Ha-Ketav ve-ha-Kabbala*).
- (a) (1) (i) We acknowledge that *Hashem* punishes sinners and rewards righteousness; (ii) verbal confession strengthens one's effort to repent (*Sefer ha-Chinuch – Mitzvah 363*). (iii) *Hashem* guarantees mercy for those who confess their sins (*Torat Kohanim*). (iv) If a person says *vidui* before dying, his death atones for his sins, assuring him a portion in *olam ha-ba* (*Gittin 43b*). (2) The earlier verses obligated *vidui* when offering *korbanot* for particular sins or on *Yom Kippur*; this verse integrates *vidui* into *teshuva* for all sins, both for violating *mitzvot lo ta'aseh* and for failing to perform positive *mitzvot* (*Mitzvah 364*). (b) (1) If a man improperly withholds from the *kohanim* the gifts due to them, *Hashem* will cause him to have to bring his wife as a *sotah* to the *kohen* and give the *kohen* the associated *mincha* (*Rashi*). (2) If a *kohen* delays bringing a woman's bird offerings for childbirth or *zava*, as *Eli ha-Kohen's* sons did, it is as if he committed adultery with her (*Ba'al ha-Turim*).
- (a) To remind the *sotah* that her fetus originated from water, and she is destined to be buried in the earth and give *Hashem* an accounting (*Avot 3:1*); therefore, she should admit her misdeeds (*Sotah Yerushalmi 2:2*). (b) Since she: (1) (i) disregarded her husband's honor, her dignity was ignored; (ii) concealed her deeds, she was disgraced in front of everyone assembled at the *Mishkan*; (2) (i) acted immorally like a gentile woman, her hair was uncovered like a gentile; (ii) plaited her hair for him, her hair was disarranged; (3) wore a beautiful belt for him, a plain Egyptian rope was tied around her; (4) (i) acted like an animal, she brought a barley (animal fodder) *korban*; (ii) fed the adulterer delicacies, the *korban* was low quality flour; (iii) "walked in darkness," oil, used for light, was not added to her *mincha*; (iv) departed from *tzeniut* ways, which is *Bnei Yisrael's rei'ach nicho'ach* (pleasant scent), the *mincha* did not contain *levona* (incense); (5) (i) beautified her face for the adulterer, the bitter water made her face pale; (ii) painted her eyes for him, the bitter water made her eyes bulge; (iii) offered him sweet wine in beautiful cups, she had to drink bitter water in an earthenware mug; (iv) displayed her painted fingernails to him, the bitter water caused her nails to fall off; (6) sinned with her limbs and organs, her limbs and organs wasted away (*Bamidbar Raba*). (c) It atoned for her husband's failure to admonish her for lack of *tzeniut* that caused the erasing of *Hashem's* name (*Chizkuni*).
- (a) By not consuming wine and grape products, letting his hair grow long, and shaving his body after *nezirut*, the *nazir's yeitzer hara* was subdued (*Sefer ha-Chinuch – Mitzvah 374*). (b) The *nazir* may not: (i) drink wine or strong wine drink (*Mitzvah 368*); eat grapes: (ii) fresh (*Mitzvah 369*), (iii) dried (*Mitzvah 370*), (iv) seeds (*Mitzvah 371*), or (v) skins (*Mitzvah 372*); (vi) shave his hair (*Mitzvah 373*). (vii) He must let his hair grow long (*Mitzvah 374*). He may not: (viii) enter a dead man's tent (*Mitzvah 375*), or (ix) become *tamei* (*Mitzvah 376*). (x) He must shave his hair and bring *korbanot* after the end of *nezirut* (*Mitzvah 377*).
- (a) (1) It teaches that a *kohen* may not recite *Birchat Kohanim* after drinking wine (*Ba'al ha-Turim*). (2) One who becomes *kadosh* by refraining from wine and sinful pursuits will be rewarded with all of the blessings of *Birchat Kohanim* (*Bamidbar Raba*). (b) (1) Material wealth and long life, with protection of one's possessions from theft (*ibn Ezra*). (2) Spiritual riches, by gracing one with wisdom, understanding and *Torah* knowledge (*Sifri*). (3) *Hashem's* restraining His anger when one sins (*Rashi*). (b) *Bnei Yisrael* are blessed in the merit of: (1) the 3 *avot*; (2) observing the *Torah's* 5 books; and (3) the 7 heavens (*R. Bechaya*).
- (a) (1) *Moshe* assumed that wagons were unnecessary since the *ananei ha-Kavod* (Clouds of Glory) would carry the *Mishkan*; (2) *Bnei Yisrael* had not attained *Moshe's* high spiritual level – they had to carry the *Mishkan* using wagons (*Bereishit Raba*). (b) (1) By specifying every *nasi's* gifts separately, the *Torah* honored the *nesi'im* by showing that each one's donation was equally beloved by *Hashem* – none of them tried to outdo the others (*Ramban*). (2) While the donations were identical, the thought behind and intention of each offering differed, and the offerings symbolized, through the *nesi'im's ruach ha-kodesh*, each *sheivet's* traits and history (*Tiferet Zion*). (c) (1) Since *Yehuda* humbled himself in front of *Yosef* by offering his own life in place of *Binyamin's*, *Hashem* honored him by his bringing the first offerings in the *Mishkan*; (2) "and" connects *Nachshon's korbanot* to his previously "offering" himself when he jumped first into the *yam suf* waters before they parted (*Pesikta Rabati*).
- (a) (1) Since *Shimshon's* character was to "go after his eyes," i.e., lusting for women, he needed to abstain from wine that leads to lewdness (*Bamidbar Raba*). (2) *Shimshon's* abstaining from wine would prevent him from being labeled a drunkard when he behaved strangely; his unshaved head signified grief and mourning over the dominance by the *Pelishtim* over *Bnei Yisrael*, stimulating his determination to fight them (*Abarbanel*). (b) Since a fetus and baby are nourished by what his or her mother eats (*Nidah 30b*), her abstaining from eating foods prohibited to a *nazir* curbed *Shimshon's* desires as he grew up (*Ralbag*).