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Today's Torah study is dedicated in memory of
Rabbi Yehoshua Binyomin ben harav Sholom Dov Ber **Gordon**,
teacher and mentor to thousands.

29 Shevat - 8th yahrtzeit

Your Questions

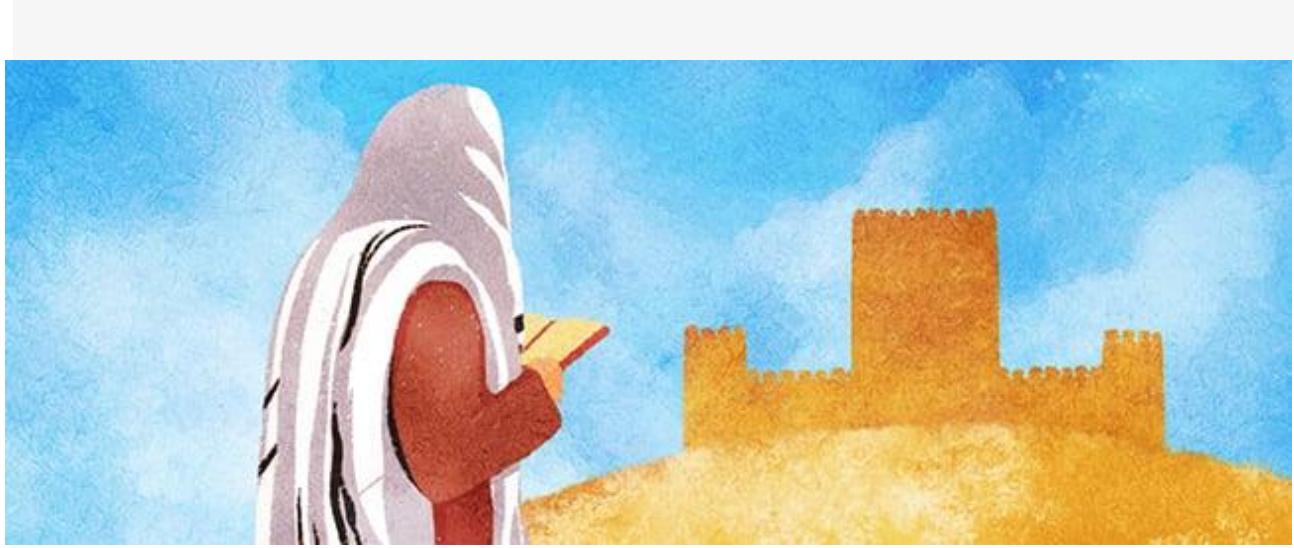


Why Brush Havdalah Wine Over the Eyes (and Pockets)?

This custom, rich in meaning and tradition, follows the Havdalah ceremony that marks the end of Shabbat.

By Yehuda Shurpin

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What Is Musaf?

Musaf, meaning "additional," is the fourth prayer recited to symbolize special days, substituting the extra sacrifices once offered in the Temple.

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Essay



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There are long lives with little meaning. And there are short lives that never cease to shine.

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History



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How the sages bravely maintained the Jewish Calendar in times of persecution

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Voices



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Tech executive and author addresses annual Shluchot conference in New York

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Lawyer, government official and China scholar Moyshe Silk on his new translation of "Kedushas Levi"

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When Motherhood Gets You Down

Do you feel that feeding and cleaning is the most important thing in the world? My answer depends on the day.

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The Phone Call From G-d

I felt aggrieved and completely deflated as a woman. My body was now scarred, and so was my soul.

By Sarah Lavane

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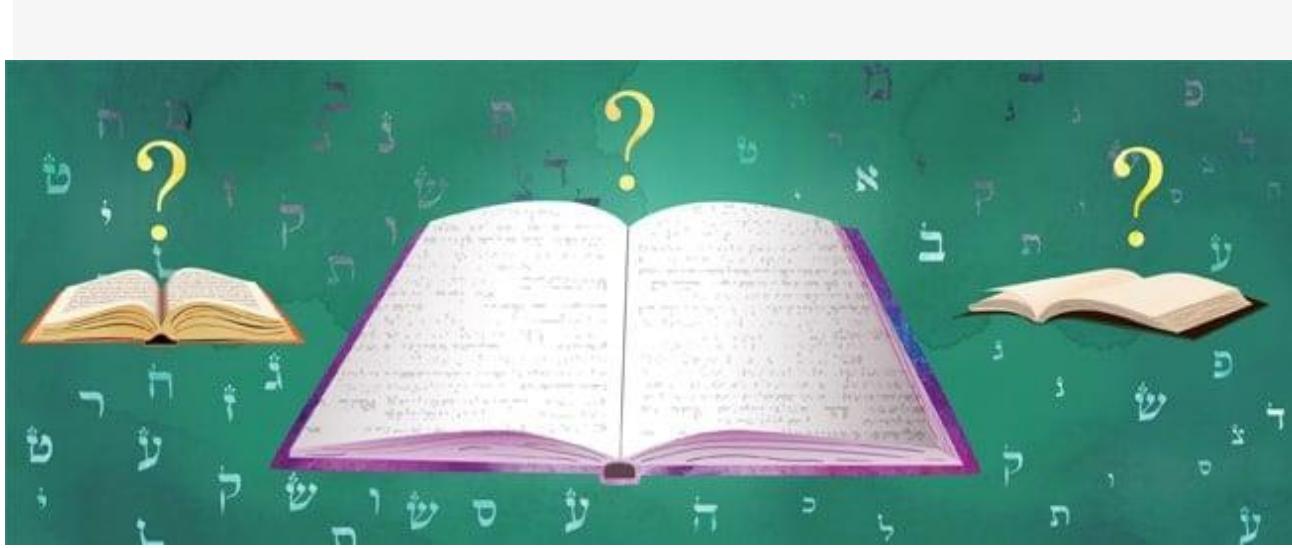
What Can the Hebrew Word for “Time” Teach You?

Seize the Moment

By Mendel Kalmenson and Zalman Abraham

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By the Numbers



10 Questions: Take the Siddur Quiz

Do you know what this is and when it is used?

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19 Names of G-d

“G-d” is a relatively new European word of Proto-Germanic origin. In Hebrew, quite a few titles are used, each with a different meaning according to the circumstance.

By Tzvi Freeman

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In the News



Eight Years After Passing, Rabbi Gordon Continues to Inspire

The 29th of Shevat marks the passing of master Torah teacher Rabbi Yehoshua B. Gordon.

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Gala banquet of 34th Kinus Hashluchos held in New Jersey

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A regal presence, educator and poet who saw the good in everyone she met

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Cancer Attacked My Body, and I Discovered My Soul

Amanda Spiro lived a carefree, successful life and even worked as a model at one point. She was diagnosed with cancer at the age of 21. Her frightening new reality helped her discover her Jewish soul and the hand of G-d guiding her all along.

Amanda Spiro in conversation with Chana Weisberg

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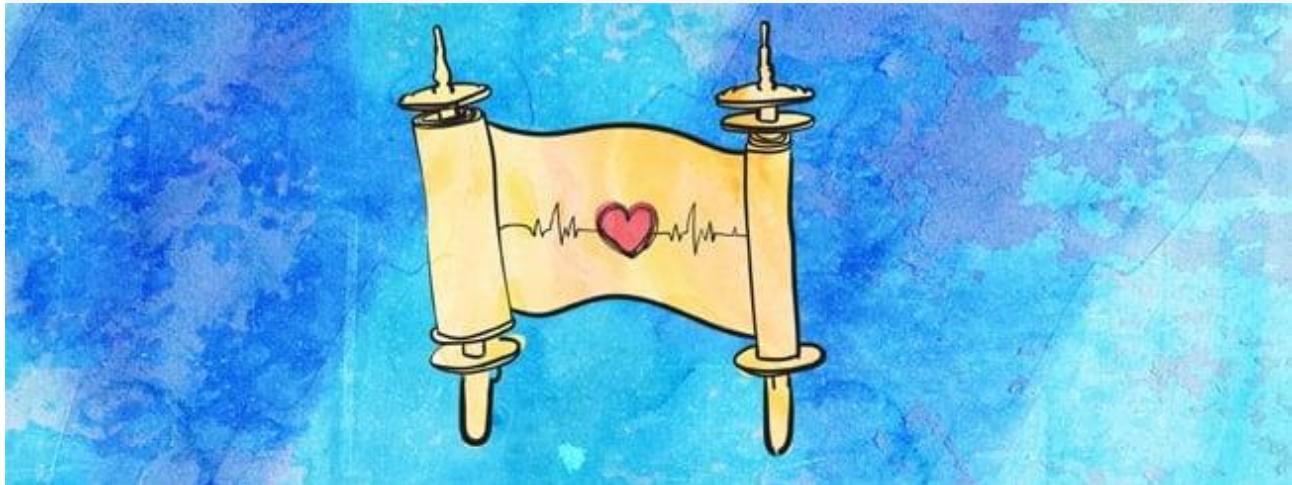


The Shabbat Meal That Changed My Life

By Talia Voskoboinik

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Life Lessons From the Parshah - Mishpatim

By Yehoshua B. Gordon

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