

Reminders for Pesach 5778 – part 3 – Rabbi Levi Garelik From the first day of Chol Hamoed until the end of Yomtov.

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Experience has shown that it is best if both husband and wife (and children...) review these reminders thoroughly each day so that miscommunications and last-minute panics can be avoided, and Yom Tov can be celebrated truly joyfully.

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May we celebrate this Pesach in the *Bais Hamikdosh Hashlishi!*

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Monday, First day of Chol Hamoed – 17 Nissan

In Shacharis:

1. We don't say מזמור לתודה.

2. We add in the *Amidah*:

1. מורייד הטל: If one said משיב הרוח and remembered **before** he said מחי' המתים he starts again from ברוך אתה ה' מחי' המתים. If, however, he remembered after that - he begins the *Amida* from the beginning. (This applies for 30 days).

2. ותן טל ומטר לברכה: If one mistakenly said ותן טל ומטר לברכה then:

- If he remembered before he finished the *Bracha*, he starts the *Bracha* again.
- If he reminded himself before he finished the *Amidah* he goes back to ברכת השנים.
- However, if he finished the *Amidah* – he has to repeat it from the beginning.

3. יעלה ויבא: We add *Yaale Vayovo* in *Shmone Esrei*.

If one mistakenly forgot to say it, then:

- If he remembers before he says "ה'" of "המחזיר שכינתו לציון" he says יעלה ויבא there and then continues.
- If he already said 'ה' and remembers before he begins מודים he says it there.
- If he remembers before he says the second לרצון, he goes back to רצה.
- If he remembers after the second לרצון יהיו he must repeat the *Amidah* again from the beginning.

3. הלל. [Krias Hatorah].

4. *Mussaf* for שלש רגלים.

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***Cup of wine:** Every day of חול המועד it is customary to drink one cup of wine with one of the meals.

***Bentching:** יעלה ויבא is added. If one forgot and remembered only after he began ל-הא... הברוך אתה... הא-ל... הא-ל אבינו, he continues *Bentching*. If, however, he remembered after saying בונה וכו' but before he said ברוך of ברוך אבינו, he should say what it says in the *Siddur* " ברוך " אשר נתן...".

***During the day:** We learn ב' דף סוטה דף ב'.

***In Maariv:** *Sefiras Haomer* - Day number Three.

Tuesday, Second day of Chol Hamoed – 18 Nissan, י"ח ניסן Birthday of R' Levi Yitzchok Schneerson – the Rebbe's father, and the day of the Rebbe's Bris.

Shacharis: Like yesterday

***Cup of wine:** Every day of חול המועד, it is customary to drink one cup of wine with one of the meals.

***Bentching:** יעלה ויבא is added. If one forgot – see above on first day of Chol Hamoed.

***During the day:** Learn ג' דף סוטה דף ג'.

***In Maariv:** *Sefiras Haomer* - Day number Four.

Wednesday, Third day of Chol Hamoed

Shacharis: Like yesterday.

***Cup of wine:** Every day of חול המועד, it is customary to drink one cup of wine with one of the meals.

* **Bentching:** יעלה ויבא is added. If one forgot – see above on first day of Chol Hamoed.

* **During the day:** Learn ד' דף סוטה דף ד'.

* **In Maariv:** *Sefiras Haomer* - Day Number five.

Thursday, Fourth day of Chol Hamoed, Erev Yom Tov

Shacharis: Like yesterday.

* **Cup of wine:** Every day of חול המועד, it is customary to drink one cup of wine with one of the meals.

* **Bentching:** יעלה ויבא is added. If one forgot – see above on first day of Chol Hamoed.

* **During the day:** Learn ה' דף סוטה דף ה'.

Eiruv Tavshilin!

DON'T FORGET TO MAKE AN EIRUV TAVSHILIN ON EREV YOM TOV!!

The *Eiruv Tavshilin* allows us to cook on Yomtov (Friday) for Shabbos. As follows:

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Take a whole *Matza*, and a *kezayis* of a cooked item, like fish or meat. Hand this to someone (older than *Bar Mitzva*) who is NOT a member of the household, and do the procedure and say the *Nusach* that is written in the *Siddur*.

Put the *Eiruv* aside until *Shabbos (Acharon Shel Pesach)* when it should be eaten (see below).

Reminder: The *Eiruv Tavshilin* is not only for cooking from *Yom Tov* to *Shabbos*, but also for lighting candles on Friday evening. Therefore, those who will not be eating at home on *Shabbos*, should light where they will be eating or should at least put up some water to cook for *Shabbos* to enable them to make an *Eruv Tavshilin*. If they are not putting up anything to cook but they are lighting candles at home (from a pre-existing flame), they should make an *Eruv Tavshilin* without a *Brocho*.

* **Mincha:** *Korbonois, Ashrei, Amidah (Morid Hatol, V'sain Brocho, Yaale Veyovoi), Aleinu.*

Before Yom Tov starts:

1. **Long lasting candle:** If one does not have a gas fire lit for the duration of *Yom Tov*, he should light a long lasting candle (like *yorzeit licht*) that will last for a minimum of 26 hours, in order to be able to light the candles the second night of *Yom Tov* (Friday night). Those who plan to have a gas fire lit and have hired help should light a *Licht* as a precaution because sometimes the helper turns off the gas flame.
2. **Candles:** Those that use glass holders for their candles (that must be cleaned before each use) should make sure to have enough clean holders to last for both nights of *Yom Tov*.
3. **Shabbos Clocks:** Ascertain that the *Shabbos clocks* are set for both days and evenings of *Yom Tov*.

Candle Lighting:

- **Tzedaka:** Give *Tzedaka* for two days of *Yom Tov*.
- Candles should be lit 18 minutes before sunset (in NY: 7:06 pm), just like every *Erev Shabbos*. However, if one missed the correct time they may light later from a pre-existing flame (preferably right before the meal).
- **Those who are going to eat elsewhere (not at home) should not forget to light candles.**
- Say the *Bracha* של יום טוב and **DO NOT** say שהחיינו.

The Simcha of Shvii and Acharon Shel Pesach is greater than the Simcha of the other days of Pesach (Sefer Haminhogim)

* **Maariv:** Begins from שיר המעלות; the *Amida* is of שלש רגלים, and then count *Sefira*.

* **Sefira** - Day number Six.

The Meal:

* **Before you start the meal - ensure that all the women, especially the guests, have lit candles.**

* **Kiddush:** of *Sholosh Regolim*, Begin from סברי מרבנן and **do not** say שהחיינו.

* **ספר השיחות ת"ש:** At an opportune time, it is proper to read the story of the *Rebbetzin* in her youth from ספר השיחות ת"ש, pages 71-72, ב,ג,ד. Additionally, there is a fascinating explanation of the *Rebbe* about this in לקו"ש חלק ל"ז page 14 and onward.

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Bentching

- **יעלה ויבא**: is added in *bentching*. If one forgot to say it and remembered after he already began the next *bracha* (even if he only said ברוך) he must begin *bentching* again, but if he remembered before he said ברוך he should say what it says in the *siddur* "ברוך...אשר נתן..".
- **הרחמן**: We add הרחמן הוא ינחילנו ליום שכולו טוב .

Shvi'i Shel Pesach at Night:

It is a Lubavitch custom to stay awake all night and learn. *Alos Hashachar* is at: In NY: 5:02 am.

Friday, Erev Shabbos, Shvi'i Shel Pesach, 21 Nissan

- * **Latest Krias Shma**: In NY: 9:42 am.
- * **Birchas Kohanim**: Prepare children for *Birchas Kohanim* at the end of *Mussaf*.
- * **Hallel**: After the *Amida*, half *Hallel* is recited.
- * **שירת הים**: During *Krias Hatorah* when *שירת הים* is read it is customary to stand.

The Seudah (meal)

- * **Kiddush**: *Kiddush* is that of *Shalosh Regalim* and we begin from אלה מועדי...אתקינו.
- * **Bentching**:
 - **יעלה ויבא**: is added in *bentching*. If one forgot to say it and remembered after he already began the next *bracha* (even if he only said ברוך) he must begin *bentching* again. But if he remembered before he said ברוך he should say what it says in the *siddur* "ברוך...אשר נתן..".
 - **הרחמן**: We add הרחמן הוא ינחילנו ליום שכולו טוב .

During the day:

- * Learn מסכתא סוטה דף ו' .
- * **תהלוכה**: Lubavitch custom is to go on *Tahalucha* on *Shvi'i shel Pesach*.

Preparations for Shabbos:

- * Anyone who made an *Eruv Tavshilin* should prepare any cooking that needs to be done for *Shabbos* early on in the day so that there is enough time before *Shabbos* for the food to be fully cooked and ready to eat (including the *cholent*.)
- * **Kneidlach for Acharon Shel Pesach**: There are several *Minhogim* regarding this (whether to prepare them today or not). Each person should follow their family *Minhog*. If you don't have a specific *Minhog*, the author's opinion is that *Kneidlach* may be made with the following three conditions:
 1. That they are prepared on Friday afternoon and not tasted until *Shabbos*.
 2. That the utensils used for the preparations will be put away and not be used for **anything else** this *Pesach*.
 3. This applies **only to someone who made an Eiruv Tavshilin!**

Mincha

- **הודו** is not recited but פתח אליהו and ידיד נפש are recited.

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- Those who are celebrating *Seudas Moshiach* in a public place (*Shul, Bais Chabad* etc.) should remember to bring the *Matzos* and the wine **before Shabbos**.

Before Shabbos

- * **Candle Lighting:** Candle lighting is 18 minutes before sunset. In NY: 7:07. If someone missed the time, they may **not** light later.
- * **Those that are not eating at home should not forget to light candles at home before, at the proper time, or should go to their hosts and light there 18 minutes before Shkiah.**
- * You may light only from a pre-existing flame.
- * Say the *Bracha* טוב ושל יום טוב and **we do not say Shehecheyonu**.

Maariv

- We begin from מזמור לדוד.
- In לכה דודי we say גם בשמחה ובצהלה.
- *Amida* is that of *Yom Tov* (with the additions of *Shabbos*)
- *Sefiras Haomer* – Day Number Seven, one week.

Kiddush and the Meal:

- It is a minhag to use the *Matza* of the *Eiruv Tavshilin* as לחם משנה but not to eat it (until tomorrow).
- Say quietly: דא היא סעודתא and שלום עליכם, אשת חיל, מזמור לדוד.
- **Kiddush:** of *Sholosh Regolim*. Begin from יום השישי and do not say שהחיינו.
- **Gebrochts:** We stress the concept of eating געבראקטס with every part of the meal.
- מים אחרונים: We once again put water over the lips.

Bentching:

- *Retzei* and *Yaale Veyovo* are added in *Bentching*. If one forgot to say *Yaale Veyovo* and remembered after he already began the next *bracha* (even if he only said ברוך) he must begin *Bentching* again. But if he remembered before he said ברוך he should say what it says in the *Siddur* "ברוך...אשר נתן.."
- הרחמן: We add the *Horachamon* for *Shabbos* and הוא ינחילנו ליום שכולו טוב.

Shabbos, Acharon Shel Pesach, 22 Nissan

- * **Latest Krias Shma:** In NY: 9:41 am.
- * **Birchas Kohanim:** Prepare children for *Birchas Kohanim* at the end of *Mussaf*.
- * **Hallel:** After the *Amida*, half *Hallel* is recited.
- * **Yizkor:** Before *Musaf* we add *Yizkor*. Those who have to say *Yizkor* and cannot attend *Shul* may say it at home.
- * **Mussaf** for שלש רגלים.
- * **ולקחת סולת:** After *Musaf* we say *Velokachto Soles* etc.

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Kiddush and the Meal:

- It is a *minhag* to use the *Matza* of the *Eiruv Tavshilin* as לחם משנה. Some eat it at *Seuda Shlishis*, however this year it may be an issue if *Seudas Moshiach* is in another location (and the *Eiruv* was not brought there yesterday), so it is eaten now.
- **Kiddush:** Everything before *Kiddush* is said like a regular *Shabbos* until ויקדשהו, but **quietly**. Then we say אלה מועדי out loud.

* **Gebrochts:** We stress the concept of eating געבראקטס – שרוי' with every part of the meal.

* **מים אחרונים:** We once again put water over the lips.

* **Bentching**

- *Retzei* and *yaale veyovo* are added in *bentching*. If one forgot to say *yaale veyovo* and remembered after he already began the next *bracha* (even if he only said ברוך) he must begin *bentching* again. But if he remembered before he said ברוך he should say what it says in the *siddur* "ברוך...אשר נתן.."
- **הרחמן:** We add the *Horachamon* of *Shabbos* and הרחמן הוא ינחילנו ליום שכולו טוב.

***During the day:** learn מסכתא סוטה דף ז'.

Mincha

* We daven *Mincha* (we don't say *Tzidkoscho*) and then we prepare for *Seudas Moshiach*.

Seudas Moshiach

1. We wash our hands like for any other meal (**before** *shkiah*, and eat at least a **כזית** before *shkiah*).
2. Some have the custom to eat the *Matza* of the *Eiruv Tavshilin* (if the *Seuda* is in their home or where there is an *Eiruv*).
3. **Drink 4 cups of wine** – “with the intention that this is for *Geulah*. If one is unsure if he had this in mind, he should surely drink again, being that through drinking this he hastens *Moshiach's* arrival, and therefore it must be done properly”. [quote from the Rebbe's Maamor on Acharon shel Pesach 5749].
4. It is customary to sing *Niggunim* from all the *Rabbeim* and then האפ קאזאק.
5. ***Moshiach's* Dance:** There are two explanations for this: The first is, that it is a dance welcoming *Moshiach*, and the second is, a dance in which *Moshiach* partakes; we explain it the way it is worth it for us - the second... (From a *Sicha* of the *Rebbe*).
6. **Bentching**
 - *Retzei* and *yaale veyovo* are added in *bentching*. If one forgot to say *yaale veyovo* and remembered after he already began the next *bracha* (even if he only said ברוך) he must begin *bentching* again. But if he remembered before he said ברוך he should say what it says in the *siddur* "ברוך...אשר נתן.."
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The end of *Yom Tov*

- * **Maariv** (or saying לחול בין קודש לחול): in NY: after 8:10 pm.
- * **אתה חוננתנו** is said. If one forgot to say it and remembers after he said "ה'" of הדעת he doesn't go back, rather, after he finishes the *Amida*, says לחול בין קודש לחול.
- * ויהי נועם and ואתה קדוש are recited.
- * **Sefiras Haomer** – Day Number Eight- One week and one day.
- * The custom is to wait some time after Maariv (or after לחול בין קודש לחול) before opening the *Chometz* places etc. (until after the *Rov* and the *Orev Kablon* arrange the purchase etc.) Some have the custom to wait about an hour after the end of *Yom Tov*.
- * **Havdala**: Regular *Havdala*, with בשמים and אש, and ויתן לך is recited.

On טוב יום מוצאי it is customary to wish
א געזונטן זומער און א פרייליכען תמיד!

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