

Ezras Nashim

Posted by bardichev - 21 Jun 2009 16:22

Welcome to the Ezras Nashim

Welcome to the Ezras Nashim .If we are going to have a complete Bais Medrash we NEED an Ezras Nashim

The point of this thread will BE"H be threefold

- A. To present Divrei Torah which will be relevant to women
- B. A place where the women can present their Torah Thoughts
- C. To encourage women both who are struggling or who are trying to help their spouses in their own struggles

It is my fervent hope that a Kiddush Shem Shamayim will come from this thread.

I will dedicate the first Dvar Torah on this thread to a real Tzaddekes on the forum 7yipol-tzadek(es) Vkom!! (7-UP!)

and to the women who stuck it out here as miribin TrYiNg habib 613 and to the many tzadkonios who are guests

One more introduction this Bals Medrash is set up to be a lively give and take in the true Bais Medrash format.I kindly request that debating and personal stories should be kept in the Women's Forum (This applies to the men too.)

bhatzlacha

humble and HAPPY

bardichev

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by 7yipol - 12 Aug 2009 20:24

K, someone just forwarded this to me and I think its perfect for GYE. Im too lazy to paraphrase it, so here it is basically in totality:

Parshas Re'ai

Rabbi S. Borinstein

The Torah warns us that if a loved one passes away it is forbidden to make cuts in our bodies as a sign of mourning. The Pasuk containing this prohibition begins by stating that we are children of HaShem. The Meforshim explain that although it's a difficult time and we don't always understand why someone dies, when they do, we have faith in our Father that he knows what is best for us. Just like a small child doesn't understand why his father may punish him for trying to put a wire in an electrical outlet, he accepts the punishment and continues to love his father. So too, we don't get carried away and start cutting ourselves out of grief. We remain aware that our Father cares about us and all is for the best.

In addition, the Gemora explains that there are three partners in the creation of every child - the father, the mother, and HaShem. The father and mother each contribute five things to the new child while HaShem puts in ten! He is the senior partner. Therefore, although the Torah understands the need for mourning over a parent (and there are many Halachos in the

Shulchan Aruch governing it), a person has to remember that the senior Parent is still with him. Part of the Shiva week is for focusing on how to create a closer relationship with Him. We're never alone. There's always a parent we can turn to.

These explanations for not cutting ourselves may also help us explain something perplexing about this Mitzvah. In general the Torah doesn't give reasons for the Mitzvos. HaShem gives commandments and we follow. Over here however not only does the Torah tell us the reason for the Mitzvah, that we are children of HaShem, but it continues and gives two other reasons as well. The next Pasuk states that the reason we shouldn't cut ourselves is because we are a Holy Nation and that HaShem has chosen us. (The Malbim says that these are two different reasons.) Why does the Torah find it necessary to give so many reasons for this Mitzvah?

Perhaps we can explain as follows. There's probably no more depressing time in a person's life than when someone they love passes away. There's a natural feeling of loneliness and a feeling of not wanting to continue. Life will never be the same. How can I go on? Comes the Torah to tell us that we still have a Father who loves us very much, more than even a human parent. He'll take care of us just like every parent takes care of his child.

But sometimes we stray a bit and don't build up the relationship with Him that we should. We don't feel that Father-child Keshar and are left wondering if we really deserve His love on a private one-to-one relationship. Once again we are depressed. The Torah informs us that even if we don't feel that we deserve the love of our Parent up above, if we are a part of Klal Yisrael that's enough to ensure His love. Since we are a Holy Nation, unlike the other nations, HaShem will be with us at all times. There's no reason for depression.

But what happens when we sin and fall from our holy status? Surely at that point we are alone and that feeling of giving up hope will overcome us. Maybe at that point we can start cutting ourselves out of total grief. The Torah gives one more reason for this prohibition. We are a chosen nation. Even if we sin, even if we don't deserve His love, He has already chosen us for eternity and will always be there waiting for us to return. There's never a reason for giving up because there is always a Father who loves us and will never give up on us. There's no reason for making cuts out of despair. Just look up above and you'll see that you are never alone.

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by 7yipol - 13 Aug 2009 20:02

[bardichev wrote on 12 Aug 2009 14:29:](#)

DEAR EZRAS NASHIM

A LITTLE FEEDBACK??

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by bardichev - 13 Aug 2009 20:04

working on it rebbetzin

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by Pintele Yid - 14 Aug 2009 00:09

[7Up wrote on 12 Aug 2009 20:24:](#)

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I like the train of thought but I would modify it a bit.

#1 Reason - Maintain Keshet with Hakodosh Baruch Hu. Great

#2 Reason - We are a Holy Nation and therefore **the Keshet is still there** - even if you don't feel it.

#3 Reason - We are chosen and even if we sin, **the Keshet is still there**.

Bottom line is that no matter what you do to wreck your soul, (not that you can even if you try) the
The Keshet is still there.

Pintele Yid

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by letakain - 16 Aug 2009 21:15

I like that. You need a match/ candle for you avatar, pintele!

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by bardichev - 19 Aug 2009 15:09

NEW TOPIC TESHUVA '09

I POSTED THIS IN PHOTO ALBUM BUT IT BELONGS HERE

I NEED NEED NEED YOU FEED BACK

I HOPE THIS WILL BE A DISCUSSION THAT WE AN GROW FROM

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I WILL GET TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER

LADIES, ESPECIALLY WE WERE ALL TAUGHT (OR FORCE FED) THAT DOING

TESHUVAH IS THIS HUGE OMG HARD WAY OUT DEEP HASHKAFa THINGY.

HERE YOU HAVE A BUNCH OF EX-P**n ADDICTS TELLING YOU TO FIGHT THE YH

WITH LOGO PICS SUSHI TRADITION SOUP SONGS GRAMMEN JOKES!

HELLO WHATS GOING ON ??

WHO IS RIGHT ? "MORAH RIGHT" or a tzadekkes who calls herself 7up?

or "Rebbetzin Strictasaruler" or Mr.b

or "rosh yeshiva of yeshivas pie in the sky" or E.L.

think about it

I have an answer

I would love hear your.....

stay tuned....

bardichev happier than ever!!!!!!

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by TrYiNg - 20 Aug 2009 02:07

I understand your point , bardichev, but tshuva *is* a 'deep hashkafa thingy'.

LOGO PICS SUSHI TRADITION SOUP SONGS GRAMMEN JOKES, help along the process, ONCE YOUR ON THE WAY. But first must come introspection , getting in touch with yourself, understanding your weaknesses , admitting your mistakes, 4 steps of tshuvah...

Once we're done with kabbalah al ha'osid, we must not dwell on the past and be be'atsvus. On the contrary,we must be hopeful and confident that we will do it right this time, be'zh.

This is how i understand it. Am I making any mistake?

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by Efshar Letaken - 20 Aug 2009 03:16

Shomaim News-Sports Section

TryinG hits a home run.

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by TrYiNg - 20 Aug 2009 03:19

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by kutan - 20 Aug 2009 03:29

Trying,

we are waiting for Bardichev's drumroll conclusion... where he is going to convince us for good that teshuva is not this somber state of affairs, but rather a process of coming close to Hashem.

At least, I think that is what he is going to say.

Anyway, I think Dr. B's trying to build up the suspense...

BTW, did you see yechida's latest post in the name of the Lubavitcher Rebbe?

Best regards,

kutan,

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by TrYiNg - 20 Aug 2009 03:34

Am waiting too.

running off to check out yechida's thread...

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by bardichev - 20 Aug 2009 04:35

am I that predictable?

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by TrYiNg - 20 Aug 2009 04:51

Ya betta believe it :D NU?

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Re: Ezras Nashim

Posted by 7yipol - 20 Aug 2009 08:27

[bardichev wrote on 20 Aug 2009 04:35:](#)

am I that predictable?

Its not that you're predictable, rather, as my Rebbe says, its a sign of true talmidim. A real talmid knows his Rebbes mehalech so well, that after a while, can basically predict what he would say in every situation!

Nu, so lets see if we are correct Rebbe....

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