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This Week's News

Shabbos Parshas Vayikra, 5768 – Parshas Zochor

This week we celebrate the eradication of Amalek the ancestor of wicked Haman. We do this through reading an additional Torah section following the weekly Torah portion, VaYikra. We call this additional section, Parshas Zochor meaning remembrance. Hashem instructs us to remember what the wicked Amalakite nation did to our ancestors' when they left Egypt.

Why is G-d's instruction to "remember" what Amalek did to the Jewish people relevant to us today?

Our sages teach us a profound lesson. Amalek represents apathy. After G-d showed an open miracle by splitting the Red sea the first nation to fight the Jewish people were the Amalekites. Their "chutzpa" caused them to disregard G-d's support of the Jewish people. This chutzpa is indicative of apathy.

In our lives, there are times when we are all excited to G-d's Will and suddenly we allow our "rational" to "cool" down our fiery excitement. Other times, we allow others to extinguish our fire. We might say, "Am I really at the spiritual level to put Tfillin on daily?" "Am I really the level of sending my children to a yeshiva day school?"

Parashas Zochor teaches that we must eradicate this "apathy." "Remembering" is the springboard for "eradicating." If we properly "remember" the cause of the problem, we'll properly root out the problem.

In the spirit of eliminating apathy we invite our friends to our upcoming historic event with Rabbi Abraham Twerski, Ph.D.

- **On March 23, we arranged for Rabbi Abraham Twerski, Ph.D. to speak at the Palm Beach synagogue, under the leadership of Rabbi Moshe Scheiner and at the Hillel campus in Aventura. The topic: Happiness and the Human Spirit – Maintaining Harmony in the Family.**

Tickets for the Twerski lecture are available on line at www.hachedesed.com.

Shalom and good Shabbos,

Rabbi Faivish Dalfin

Hachedesed Activity Report for the week of March 9 - 14

Rabbi Dalfin will be traveling to Israel on March 27 for 4 days to make a bar mitzvah for 8 orphan boys and host a party for the families. These 8 bar mitzvah boys will commemorate the loss of the 8 yeshiva students in Jerusalem's massacre.

We will distribute funds for Pesach directly to hundreds of needy families. Hachedesed will bring a smile to these families.

In the merit of Tzedaka we will merit the final redemption now!