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Why did they clean with Pledge? Because they also had to annul their Chametz.

You get it? When Pesach comes, you have to clean your house, get rid of all of your Chametz, annul it. You make a pledge. Pledge is a cleaning product. A pun with a brand.

RABBI ANSWERS HIS PUPILS

Dear Rabbi. I am looking for a job. I heard that Mashgiach work can be very meaningful. What do I need to know as a Kosher worker?

My Dear Pupil. As a rabbi, I've found Kosher to be the most meaningful work of all, as I don't have to deal with congregants. I'm happy you're looking to get into the field. Here are some tricks of the trade, to help you along.

•*Get Good at Seeing Small Things*
Lettuce checking is key. Take pride in it. Hold up that leaf with confidence that you can find a creature in there. If you can't find a bug in a vegetable, you should lose any Mashgiach license given you. Before allowing anybody to be a Mashgiach, they should have a test to ensure you're not farsighted. To note: There is no greater feeling than finding an insect in a vegetable. That's nachis. Grandchildren are nothing next to a meadow spittlebug.

•*Know Your Symbols* Learn to find 'O's and other random letters. Basic rule: Any shape of a state with a letter in it is Kosher. And any 'O' that doesn't have a 'R' in it is Kosher. Any randomly flying 'K's on the package, the Kosher world has not figured out if that's Kosher yet.

•*Sit and Learn* Learning is what good religious Jews do. Sit, learn and stay away from the kitchen. People'll trust you, even if you didn't check anything. As long as you're learning.

•*Make a Big Deal When You Tell Them The Empire Chicken is Kosher* Want job security? Let them know with authority, it's Kosher. Slap the chicken for emphasis. 'Empire is good. Cook it.' Grilling it? Yell out, 'Cook it.' Anything you know, express it with enthusiasm. You see a bug, shout, 'I found one.' Celebrate. Do a Siyum. Take pride. You'll want a Simcha, possibly break into a Horah or a one handed side to side kick. It just happens. The joy of finding a bug touches the soul. Anybody asks you what kind of meat it is, you say 'brisket.'

•*Make a Big Deal About Pesach* For Pesach, throw everything out. They ask about the oven, 'Throw it out.' Counters, in the trash. If you can, blow torch the place. It looks good when a rabbi walks through a kitchen with exposed fire. It lets them know who's in charge. It also instills the necessary fear in the staff who are thinking of treifing up the place. And remember to wear a suit. Nobody asks people wearing a suit to do physical labor.

SERMON OF REBUKE- TAZRIAH

Shabbat Shalom and Rosh Chodesh Tov... They should've smacked the table louder, so people would say 'Ya'aleh vYavo'... Fear is the only way they say it... Holding people hostage is Asur. It's forbidden to hold them hostage in conversation, Hymie. You trap them. I've seen the arm hold...

(Vayikra 12:4) After her days of impurity, the mother that gave birth has to sit for extra days. 'She shall sit in the blood of her purity. She shall not touch anything holy, and to the Sanctuary she shall not come...' In those days of purity, she cannot come... She didn't sit in blood. It wasn't a collected puddle from children who got injured at the playground... Watch the kids. Even when she's holy, she

still separates for longer... Sometimes we separate for good. It would be good if Hymie separated from prospective members at Kiddish... This way they would want to join... Chametz is good, but we separate from it on Pesach... We have to know when to separate. That's why I'm going away for Pesach. There is a reason you get off of work... It's not time for a vacation. Your kids are running around the shul. That's when you don't come into the Sanctuary. You watch them. Because they're loud... They get injured on slides...

Rivka's Notes on Rabbi Mendelchem's Drasha:
After the rabbi said it was Rosh Chodesh, twelve people got up to start redoing the silent prayer. They all realized they forgot to say 'Ya'aleh vYavo.'
People started reporting conversations with Hymie, when he told them a joke. They walked to shul the following week with 'I'm a victim of conversation' Tshirts.
Beautiful sermon on the thought of separation being holy in itself. The whole idea of not going to the sanctuary, the rabbi couldn't get a Minyin the following week.
The rabbi did a great job of justifying his vacation.

SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Freidberg Shiva is over. You missed it. They know you don't care.

No holding somebody's arm at Kiddish. We've had too many complaints about Hymie not letting people go in the middle of his jokes. People must be allowed the freedom to escape conversation. There's no need for violence, to get people to listen. Hymie has also caused a 10% drop in membership.

We're raising money for Ukraine, cause we found that nobody pays their dues. So, we're supporting another cause. The Ukraine fund won't take pledges. After consulting with our office, they understand that pledges won't work. They're only taking cash. They're also afraid that you will cancel the credit card payment and ask for a refund on your kindness.

Selling Chametz means it's not yours, but it is. So sell with the rabbi, who will get rid of it for you, while you keep it in your house.

We're hosting a youth convention next month. In preperation, Wednesday, there will be a class in how to lean into a picture properly.



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