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They said I have to do Kiddish BMakom Seudah. But I wanted the meal too.

You get it? That means to make Kiddish in the place you are eating the meal. I thought they meant to make Kiddish instead of the Seudah.

RABBI ANSWERS HIS PUPILS

Dear Rabbi. What Jewish stuff happened this year?

Shalom My Dear Pupil. I will go through some of what I remember, and we shall call it 2023 The Jewish Year in Review.

- In prep got October 7th protests for Intifada start in January on college campuses. Month ends with Motzei Shabbis terror attack in Jerusalem. January is a good month for Jews.
- In February, Israeli rescue workers are the first to volunteer to go to Turkey to aid with the devastation caused by the earthquake
- Something about Bibi and Israeli Supreme Court. To quote one Israeli, 'Why should we have to miss out on hating Jews. We're people too.'
- Fake bomb threats reign down on Jewish organizations. The Iron Dome does not work against these.
- Parade, musical of 1915 lynching of Leo Frank, wins Tonys and received protests from Neo Nazis. To quote, 'It wasn't anti-Semitic enough. The music could've been more upbeat.'
- Jewish summer camps. Expensive.
- Lithuania restores Jewish synagogues. To quote: 'The new tinge of pastel colors on the facade will bring Jews back.'
- Israel kicks off seventy-fifth year celebrations with cheers of 'We hate Bibi.'
- Lithuania restores shuls. To quote: 'A tinge of pastel colors will bring Jews back.'
- Israelis are now allowed to visit America without a visa. Now Israelis are the only ones who can't get through the southern boarder without an ID.
- October 7th tragedy, and cheers are heard in Arab towns of Judea and Samaraia and England. College students can finally voice hatred of Jews in a safe space.
- Rally for Israel support DC brings 300k or 5k, depending on your news sources are.
- Ivy Leagues now teach English as a language, so faculty can learn words like 'context.'
- IDF takes out eight and half million Gazan residents, as reported by Hamas and the UN. Twelve million of them are babies... People hate Jews. Jews are shocked by it.

SERMONS OF REBUKE: VAYECHI

Shabbat Shalom My People...
 Yaakov didn't steal Yosef's sons. He just said, 'They will be to me' (Bereishit 48:5)...
 Some grandparents are like that. They like the grandchildren and want them instead of he kids they birthed. I can understand. I know the congregants in this shul...
Yaakov says, (48:11) 'I never expected to see your face, and behold Gd has shown me your children too.' Abeautiful moment. He wants to see his family. When I've seen Bubbies and Zaydies in the shul, I've heard them say, 'I hoped to never see your face again. But then Pesach came and we had to come in for the Seder...'

In life, we look back and we see these beautiful gifts Gd gave us. I see you here today and I'm not thanking Gd for having to see your children running around the halls. Nobody is happy to see Chaim. Yes. We're amazed he is still single...
 You look back on family and the times you shared... Not Chinese food on Xmas. Xmas is not a holiday. Chinese food isn't Jewish... Jews eat it. But it's not Jewish. No Jew living in Asia put together a Chinese cookbook. I know, because they would be selling it at the Jewish Book Festival. New Year's isn't a Jewish holiday... I know more Jews celebrate it than Rosh Hashana. That's why we are repenting this year.
Rivka's Notes on Rabbi Mendelchem's Sermon:
 Chaim is a loser. He's just happy to see Rugulach at Kiddish.

SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NitelNacht programs were a huge success. I think we had more people at shul on Xmas than they got at the churches.

For New Year's we will be hosting Selichot. We understand that many of you didn't show up for Selichot to repent during Rosh Hashana. We figure most of you will at least celebrate this New Year's correctly.

We are allowing single people to not show to shul events anymore. It is awkward for everybody when Chaim shows to an event. Parents have to guard their children and husbands have to cling onto their wives. We will try to find a place for single people in a community somewhere. It will happen. We think. We are just not sure Gd cares about them.

If anybody wants to give Daniella a Bat Mitzvah gift, we're starting a charity fund for her parents. Parents Who Don't Give a Kiddish.

The Bris. That was a sight. We want to make it clear that Chaim was only there for the Mitzvah.



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