

# THE Kibbitzer

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## My friend is very mad at the Israeli army. He told me he donated to FIDF.

\*You get it? FIDF is Friends of IDF. They support the Israeli defense forces. If he'd have said he was giving money to F the IDF, that'd be different.

### RABBI ANSWERS HIS PUPILS

## Dear Rabbi. We are thinking of ways to spread support of Israel through signs. Please share ideas.

Shalom My Dear Pupil. I was touched by the support shown at the rally in Washington DC last month. And that support was shown with signs. There is no greater way to show support at a rally than with a sign. Otherwise, you're just yelling at everybody. Here are some signs I saw. They inspired me. Maybe they'll inspire you.

- Defeat Terror* It's good to know these people were not pro-terror. I didn't see a sign saying 'Terror. We Support You.' No 'Terror. We miss you.' This wasn't a pro-Palestinian rally in England or Australia. No Ivy League was willing to host the event.
- Pro Peace. Anti Hamas. Pro Israel. Anti Bibi!* I think they were yelling, 'I hate Bibi.' That should've probably been the sign. Not everybody has time to make signs for everything they want to say. Is Bibi part of Hamas? I'm trying to figure out what the sign is truly trying to convey.
- America Stands with Israel* At least one Jewish American stands with our people in Israel. Come to think of it. I think it was an Israeli holding that sign. Wishful thinking. There was a lot of standing. At a rally, you want to stand. All the people with signs were standing with something.
- I need to go to the bathroom. Is there a clean toilet in Washington DC?!* That wasn't a sign. That was me yelling. I needed anything not a porta-potty. They're disgusting.
- Thank You Israel for Fighting Terror* That was held up by a group of people that insisted they were not willing to help.
- Free Hostages. Support Israel. Combat Terror!* I think he got in the important points, while repurposing the word 'free.' I hope they don't get sued by the Palestinians. The only thing they left out of that sign is how much they hate Bibi.
- From the River to the Sea, Israel Will always Be Free.* Very confusing. I think this one was pro-Israel as well... I hope the signs inspire you, as you put yourself in harm's way.

### SERMONS OF REBUKE: VAYIGASH

Shabbat Shalom My People...  
 S Yehuda came to Yosef... If you came to me with a normal question, I wouldn't be mad... Yehuda's question is legitimate. Please don't bring up the Bar Mitzvah boy who's still leading in Anim Zemirot. Will we ever get another child to learn it...  
*(Bereishit 45:1) 'Yosef couldn't hold himself back.' And so he asked everybody to leave and he revealed himself to his brothers....*  
 No. He didn't ask them to leave because he wanted to beat up on Dan with nobody watching. He didn't want a fight. This isn't a board meeting. He wanted to let his brothers know it was him... Yosef couldn't

hold himself back from crying... When Michael says, 'Hold me back,' it's pathetic. Who are you going to hurt with your two column Hagba?!...

Yehuda's cares... *(44:34) 'How can I go up to my father and the youth isn't with me, lest I see the evil that I've brought upon my father.'* Do any of you care?! The evil you've brought upon me. Like Yosef, I cry a loud cry when I have to answer your questions. Staff hears it. The pain I suffer... Another annoying questions. You fast on fast days. That's why they're called a fast...

*Rivka's Notes on Rabbi Mendelchem's Sermon:*  
 The course on Israeli Advocacy was not attended by any of our members. The rabbi said that was better for Israel. MidDrasha The rabbi got questions about how not to eat. The rabbi spent twenty minutes explaining what a fast is. Members were shocked. 'How do you fast without bagels???' The rabbi explained how you eat the bagels after the fast.

## SHUL ANNOUNCEMENTS

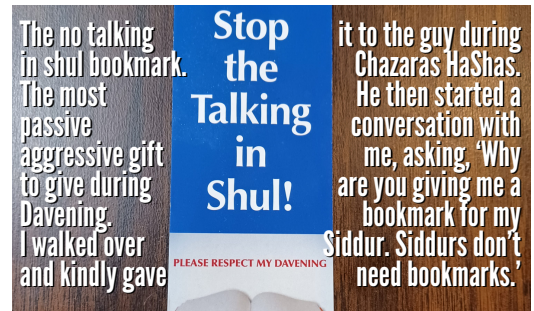
We still care about Israel. Thought people should be reminded.

The Bergstein Bat Mitzah will have Kichel. That's it. Even though they are not paying for anybody to enjoy themselves, the Bergstains said they're proud of their daughter.

The rabbi will be giving a course in Israel Advocacy. He asks that Bernie not come. Anything Bernie represents will not be good. People will hate it. As advocacy is supposed to be positive for Israel, the rabbi is urging only non-members of the congregation to come. To quote: 'I believe it will be better for Israel if people advocating are people that are liked.'

Asarah BTevet is a fast day. You fast on it.

The youth leader wants to apologize for the kids coming into shul before Kiddish. They didn't mean to shock the congregation with youth. She said that she will do her job and keep the children from praying anything more than Adon Olam and Yigdal out of a book with pictures.



The Kibbitzer this week is dedicated to all of our holy brothers and sister who have been affected by the terror.  
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