

# תוכן ענינים

## חמשה עשר בשבט תשמ"א

### Sicha 1

The holiday of the 15th of Shevat commemorates the day when the sap begins to flow through the trees, which is the renewal of the tree at the close of winter, before the period of growth begins. Yet we observe the holiday by eating a ripe fruit, the product of many more months of growth and care. This serves as an important, lifelong lesson: we must recognize the potential and ability of every creation. When looking at a tree, in which the sap has only begun to flow, we may be overwhelmed by the immense job that lies ahead of us before we will reap the benefits of our labor. Therefore we eat a fruit; we look at the final product and we remember, that although there might be obstacles and difficulties, therein lies the full potential to grow full, ripe fruit.

When a person wakes up, he must realize that he has a full day, full of opportunities, that they must be used to their fullest, using out every moment in the service of G-d.

### Sicha 2

The importance of having children is stressed during the giving of the Torah. When a new baby is born, he is not just another insignificant being. At Mt. Sinai, G-d singled him out, and said specifically to him "I am the Lord Your G-d, who took you out of Egypt." Also, the child that was just born actually facilitated the giving of the Torah; for children throughout all the generations are the guarantors of the Torah - this new baby as well.

The same lesson that we derived above, regarding using out the full potential of everything, is a very important lesson regarding children. If, when they are young, you recognize and help produce their true self, when they mature they will be able to reach their fullest potential.



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The custom by a wedding is that the shushvinin - escorts should specifically be a man and a woman. The kabbalistic reason is that during the giving of the Torah - the marriage of G-d and the Jewish People - Moshe and Aharon represented masculine and feminine forces of G-dliness. Additionally, the bride and the groom are bashful, therefore they need a good friend to lead them to the chupa. A similar process is needed regarding the kvatter and kvatteren during a bris, because a bris represents the marriage between the physical and the spiritual. A pregnant woman is not considered to be just one person, rather two, the second of an unknown gender, and therefore she cannot take part in the above procedures.

### Sicha 4

Children should sing "We want Moshiach now!"

### Sicha 5

Boys and girls should advance in the levels of Tzivos Hashem. Girls are included, since this is a war of Mitzva. The battle is won through Torah. We have to constantly invest in new projects and initiatives, even though Moshiach is coming now, because we learn a lesson from the Mishkan; it would be completely set up even for the shortest period of time.

We must emphasize to children the immensity of every second that Moshiach doesn't come; it affects G-d, all the myriads of his angels, and all the souls throughout all generations.

### Sicha 6

Answers on questions asked on Rashi's discussed in previous farbrengens.

