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**CTN Young Jewish Professional's Summer Event.
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Young Jewish Professionals Relationship Seminar

by Chana Levitan, Author, "I Only Want to Get Married Once"

Monday, August 16, 2010

7:00 pm

2020 North Lincoln Park West, Chicago - Party Room

Advanced Pre Paid Tickets \$10 by August 12
At the Door \$20

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*"I Only Want to Get Married Once is a 'must' reading for young people, older people, dating couples ... Give yourself a chance to avoid becoming a casualty ... If you read I Only Want to Get Married Once **twice**, you increase your chances of being married only **once**."*

Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski, author, former clinical director, Department of Psychiatry, St. Francis Hospital, Pittsburgh.



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Hang in there - Shabbos is coming!

TORAH PORTION: VA'ESCHANAN (DEUTERONOMY 3:23 - 7:11)

This week's CTN Shabbat Fax is sponsored by Dr. Albert Zickmann, in appreciation of Chicago Torah Network, and in honor of Chavah, Sarah Yarden, Moshe Benyamin, Yishai Eliran, and all of Klal Yisrael.

1. Do not take the name of G-d in vain. (5:11)

It's one of the Ten Commandments. And the simple understanding has to do with our speech. That we be careful not to say G-d's name in vain.

But Jewish tradition gives us another powerful insight into this verse.

... It sees each human being as "bearing G-d's name".

Because G-d created each of us in His Image. And gave each of us the potential to be G-dly.

Which presents us with a challenge.

To live up to very high standards.

In our relationship with G-d. And with every other human being.

To deal with absolute honesty. And integrity.

And to emulate G-d. By doing chessed. Acts of kindness.

... Because if we don't?

If we can tolerate unethical behavior? If we allow ourselves to become self centered?

... Then we carry G-d's name in vain.

▪ *Rabbi Shmuel Salant. One of the 19th century's leading Rabbis and Torah scholars. People were constantly at his door. They had questions about Jewish law, or needed advice on personal matters.*

And many just needed someone who would listen. As they poured out their heartaches and troubles.

His home was always full of people.

Until his family thought it was a bit too much.

... *"Maybe you should set aside specific hours to see people.*

At least then you'll be able to rest a little during the day."

... *The Rabbi's response?*

"G-d lets me pour out my heart whenever I need to.

He's always ready to listen to me.

... *G-d doesn't have special hours.*

So neither do I."

2. Hear Israel, the Lord our G-d the Lord is One (6:4)

The Sh'ma: "Sh'ma Yisrael, Ado-noy Elo-haynu Ado-noy Echad."

It's the fundamental Jewish declaration of faith.

Always has been. For as long as we've been a People.

It's our way of saying that we believe in One G-d.

It was the first prayer a Jewish child said.

And the last words a Jew said before dying.

• **Poland 1946.** After the Holocaust.

Thousands of Jewish children had been placed in non-Jewish orphanages.

Dedicated volunteers, search through the orphanages, trying to identify the Jewish kids.

So they can be raised by Jewish families. As Jews.

One Rabbi has tremendous success finding them. How?

As he walks through the hallway of the orphanage, he says the Sh'ma in a soft voice.

Using the traditional bedtime melody.

And one by one, he hears voices joining him.

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Saying the Sh'ma they never forgot

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Shabbat Shalom and have a wonderful week.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Moshe'.

Rabbi Moshe Katz

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Doni'.

Rabbi Doni Deutsch

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