

Jewish Renaissance Center Winter Week of Learning

# Prayer: More Than Opening the Heavenly Gates

“Is G-d really listening? Do my prayers really matter to Him? And doesn’t He already know what I want and need? What if I don’t even feel like praying?”

Almost universal, yet often misunderstood, prayer is more than a (surprisingly two-way) communication, more than a cry from a troubled soul, more than an expression of gratitude. Please join us for this special week dedicated to exploring one of the most powerful tools given to us.

	Sunday 12/23	Monday 12/24	Tuesday 12/25	Wednesday 12/26	Thursday 12/27
9:30 - 10:45		<b>Prayer as a Substitute for Offerings</b> Mrs. Leah Kohn	<b>Portion of the Week: “... and G-d heard their cries”</b> Mrs. Leah Kohn	<b>Psalms 130: “... from the depths of my heart, I call You” (In-depth textual analysis)</b> Ms. Aviva Yodaiken	<b>Voice and Prayer</b> Mrs. Leah Kohn
11:00 - 12:15		<b>Prayer Prototypes from Torah and the Purpose of Prayer</b> Rabbi Eliyahu Bergstein	<b>Insights into the Structure of the Middle Blessings of the Shmona Esrei</b> Mrs. Esther Wein	<b>Making a Difference/ Changing Through Prayer</b> Mrs. Mina Glick	<b>Spiritual Growth Through Prayer</b> Mrs. Mina Glick
12:15 - 1:15		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
1:15 - 2:30	<b>Introduction</b> Mrs. Leah Kohn <b>(1:00 – 1:15)</b>  <b>Creating a Mindset; Creating a Bond, Part I</b> Mrs. Chani Juravel	<b>“... that I was not created a woman”</b> Mrs. Esther Wein	<b>When G-d Says No</b> Rabbi David Clyman	<b>The Connection between Prayer and Difficult Times</b> Mrs. Mina Glick	<b>The “How”s of Prayer</b> Rabbi Eliyahu Bergstein
2:45 - 4:00	<b>The Lesser-Known Laws of Prayer, Part I</b> <b>Beginner:</b> Rabbi Eliyahu Bergstein <b>Advanced:</b> Rabbi Yisroel Teichman	<b>Creating a Mindset; Creating a Bond, Part II</b> Mrs. Chani Juravel	<b>Prayer and the Patriarchs</b> Mrs. Leah Kohn	<b>The Lesser-Known Laws of Prayer, Part II</b> <b>Beginner:</b> Rabbi Eliyahu Bergstein <b>Advanced:</b> Rabbi Yisroel Teichman	<b>Questions and Answers, Open Forum</b> Mrs. Leah Kohn

## This Week of Learning will take place at Park East Synagogue 164 East 68th St. (bet. Lexington and 3rd)

Jewish women of all ages are invited to participate, regardless of background or affiliation. Participants are encouraged to attend all classes but are welcome to participate part-time as well – each class, even within a series, is a unit unto itself.

Limited Hotel Housing is available for individuals outside the NY/NJ area for an additional \$100, double occupancy. (\$200 for a single room). (Individuals may also be set up with families.) Please call or email to register, to request housing, or for more information.

**Fees:**

**Full Week, including breakfast & lunch: \$225**  
**Per Day, including breakfast & lunch: \$60**  
**Per Class: \$15 (Lunch, if paying per class, is \$10)**  
**Deduct 10% from the above fees if pre-paying.**  
**Financial assistance available**

If you would like to sponsor a class, a day, or the week in honor or in memory of someone, please contact Esther at the JRC. Your sponsorship will enable individuals who cannot afford the full cost of the program to attend.