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**May HaShem protect our soldiers; may He send Refu'ah Sh'leima to the many injured;
may He console the bereaved families and all of Israel; may He end these wars with
total success and peace for Medinat Yisrael and Klal Yisrael wherever we are.**

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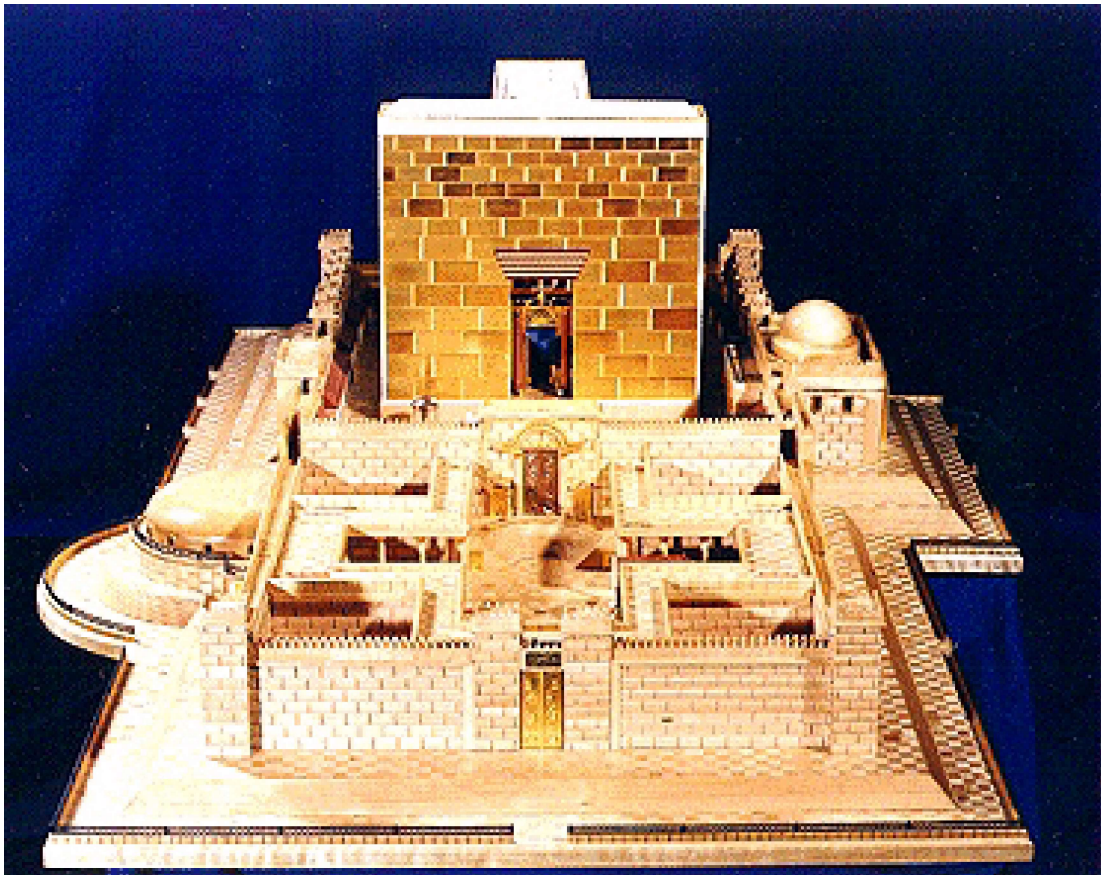


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SHABBAT NACHAMU

י"א מנחם אב ה'תשפ"ו • July 24-25, '26

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KIDDUSH L'VANA

Those who follow Minhag Yerushalayim on the issue of Kiddush L'vana will have already said it on Motza'ei Shabbat Chazon.

Most people wait for after Tish'a b'Av to say KL.

When said right after Tish'a b'Av, it is preferable to have washed one's hands fully (unlike what is done on Tish'a b'Av itself) and broken one's fast. Preferable, but not absolute. If washing and eating something is not practical, KL can be said while still fasting.

When Tish'a b'Av is Thursday (as it is this year), some say to wait until Motza'ei Shabbat Nachamu for Kiddush L'vana - the setting is more appropriate for KABALAT P'NEI HA-SH'CHINA.

Others (the ARI Z"l for one) say that saying KL right after the fast (Thursday night) shows our faith and trust in the coming of the Mashiach because the renewal of the Moon is a symbol of the renewal of the Kingship of the House of David.

Whichever works for you, just remember to say Kiddush L'vana this month - and all months.

Minhag Yerushalayim, largely based on the teachings of the Vilna Gaon, favors Z'RIZIM - do a mitzva as soon as possible; do not push it off.

The standard practice is based on the mood of the day and the setting. Gathering outside after davening on Motza'ei Shabbat, still in one's Shabbat clothes and mood, is a nice setting for Kiddush L'vana which is described as Greeting the Divine Presence.

On a practical note, Thursday night is the eve of the 10th of the month. Motza'ei Shabbat is the eve of the 12th of the month. Last opportunity for KL this month is all night of Tuesday to Wednesday.

The more one delays KL, the greater the risk of running out of nights. In Israel, it is unlikely, at this time of year, that we will run into cloudy nights that will present a problem for KL. But other locations might be different.

Shabbat Nachamu

It is appropriate to up Oneg Shabbat a notch on Shabbat Nachamu because it is the first of the seven Shabbatot of Nechama between Tish'a b'Av and Rosh HaShana.

What does upping Oneg Shabbat a notch look like? A special side dish, a fancier dessert, a special drink... more z'mirot - use your imagination.