

עניני תפילה

Matters of Prayer

“It is proper for a person to set aside an hour to prepare himself to meet Hashem and to purify himself that he may worship Him with joy and fear with songs and praises with all our concentration. Then our prayers will be a crown for our King and then our requests will be justified.”

(דף ס"ד)

ספר מקדש מעט

“Although children, life, and livelihood are not accorded by merit, rather by mazal, nevertheless, through prayer one can change the mazal”

(פרק ד')

תוספות יום טוב

“What is considered proper Kavanah/intent for davening? When one clears his mind of all other thoughts and then he works to realize that he is standing in front of Hashems glory”

(משנה תורה הכל תפילה פ"ד הכל ט"ז)

הרמב"ם

“One must be careful not to speak while the Shaliach Tzibbur repeats the Shemone Esrei, even Divrei Torah. He should concentrate on responding “Amen” to every single bracha and he should pay attention to what the Shaliach Tzibur is saying. His eyes should face downward and his heart should face upward exactly as he does during his own prayers”

(שער הקדושה פרק י"ד)

ראשית חכמה

“As long as the Torah is placed on the Bimah, all present must listen with great seriousness and concentrate on the reading as if he's standing at Har Sinai receiving the Torah”

(פרשת ויקהל דף ר"ז ע"א)

הזוהר הקדוש

“During Chazaras HaShatz he must have an open siddur and he should listen and concentrate on every word from the siddur. During the reading of the Torah, he should listen and concentrate on every word from the Chumash. G-d forbid that he should interrupt the prayers from “Boruch SheAmar” until after Chazaras HaShatz with any speech”

סידור הארי

“One should not speak while Kaddish is recited, whether it is said by the Shaliach Tzibur or by an individual. ...It is a greater mitzvah to respond to Kaddish than Kedusha”

(או"ח סי' ס"ו, ס"ק א')

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