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# Stop the Talking in Shul!

## Halacha L'maaseh for the Shabbos table

- During *Chazaras HaShatz* - It is strictly **forbidden** to talk, (It is permitted, however, for a *Rov* to answer a *halachic* question that is posed to him during *Chazaras HaShatz*; *Aruch HaShulchan* 124:12.) since one must pay full attention so that he can answer *amen* properly. Even someone who feels that he can concentrate and respond *amen* at the end of each *bracha* may still not talk during *Chazaras HaShatz* (*Mishnah Berurah* 26. Consider also, that the person you are talking to, is likely to miss saying *amen*).
- One who talks during *Chazaras HaShatz* is called "a sinner whose sin is too overwhelming to be forgiven and we **protest** (against his actions) **vigorously**." (*Orach Chayim* 124:7; this may be the reason, why in *yeshivos*, a *rebbe* will say, "Nuuu!" to a *bochur* who is caught talking during *Chazaras HaShatz*. Perhaps through teaching these pertinent *halachos*, it will create an awareness and adherence to *halacha*.) The *poskim* report that several *shuls* were destroyed on account of this sin (*Mishnah Berurah* 124:27). Sometimes we hear of a shul that somehow caught on fire *r"l* - electrical fire - and no one can figure out how it happened. Perhaps, Hashem is sending a message to that specific *kehillah* that the reason this happened (to their *shul*) was because members of 'that *shul*' were talking during *Chazaras HaShatz*) and have been turned into **churches** due to the fact that talking took place in those *shuls* (*Magein Avraham* 151.).

We ask the public to please be mispallel for a sick child in our community – הילד אברהם בן לאה. May the learning of these *halachos* of *tefillah* and keeping quiet in shul be a *zechus* for his *refuah shelaimah*.

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הוא היה  
אומר כן למקום שאני אודהב שם הנלי  
מוליכות אותי אם (פ) תבא אל ביתי אני אבא  
אל ביתך אם אתה לא תבא אל ביתי אני לא  
אבא אל ביתך שנאמר " בכל המקום אשר  
אזכיר את שמי אבא אליך וברכתך

The Gemarah in Succah (Daf 53a) quotes Hillel Hazakein:

Hashem says, "If you will come into my house, I will come into your house. If you will not come into my house, I will not come into your house. As the Posuk says, in every place where I cause my name to be mentioned I will come to you and bless you".

If we want Hashem to enter **OUR** homes and bless us, shouldn't we have to show the proper respect when we enter **HIS** home?



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