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FAST DAYS

In connection with Asara B'Teves, we present this pictorial overview of the Rebbe on fast days.





The Rebbe joins the minyan during Shacharis.

Before Chof-Beis Shevat 5748 the Rebbe generally did not daven *Shacharis* with the main *minyan*, but would join for *krias haTorah* on Mondays and Thursdays. On fast days, the Rebbe would also join for *selichos*, and remain until after the Torah was returned to the *aron* following *kriah*.

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At *Mincha*, the Rebbe is called up for the third *aliya*.



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Following the *kriah*, the Rebbe reads the *haftorah* of "דרשו ה' בהמצאו."

As these are the only *haftoros* not read on a Shabbos or Yom-Tov, they were able to be recorded and today give us the opportunity to hear and see how the Rebbe would recite the *haftorah*.



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After the haftarah, the Rebbe would follow behind the sefer Torah as it is returned to the aron kodesh. The Rebbe would wait until the aron kodesh was closed before returning to his place. During a sicha on leil Asara B'Teves 5738,¹ the Rebbe reinstituted *"divrei kivushin,"* an age-old custom for a leader of a community to speak words of rebuke and inspiration following *Mincha* of a fast day. The next day, the Rebbe said a *sicha* after *Mincha* in the shul and thus began the practice of *divrei kivushin*.

The Rebbe said these *sichos* twice in 5739, and from Taanis Esther 5740 and on, he would do so on every fast day (besides for Tisha B'Av).²





Following the *sicha*, the Rebbe would distribute dollars for tzedakah to the assembled. In the earlier years, they were distributed via the *tankisten*, just as the Rebbe would do at the end of farbrengens. After Chof-Beis Shevat 5748, the Rebbe would personally distribute the dollars to each individual.



Maariv was scheduled earlier than usual, approximately at the time that the fast ended. Following Maariv the Rebbe leaves 770 for home.

