Baruch HaMavdil... and Birkat HaMazon at Third Meal

SITUATION You washed your hands, said *ha'motzi*, were eating your meal (this could be se'uda shlishit or even a fourth meal) and it is now dark. You want to do *melacha*.

WHAT TO DO If you have not yet finished *se'uda shlishit,* saying *Baruch ha'mavdil bein kodesh l'chol* after dark on Saturday night does not affect the *Shabbat* additions you will then say in *birkat ha'mazon.* So, you may say *Baruch ha'mavdil bein kodesh l'chol* and do *melacha,* and then continue to eat your meal or say *birkat ha'mazon* INCLUDING the two *Shabbat* additions of *retzei* and *ha'rachaman hu yanchileinu yom she'kulo Shabbat u'menucha l'chayei ha'olamim.*

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