WOMEN: WHAT TO STUDY

Minimum Torah Study for Women

For women and minimum requirements for *Torah* study, see Introduction to *Torah* Study.

Women: Torah or Tehillim

If a woman can either study <u>Torah</u> or say <u>Tehilim</u> (<u>Psalms</u>; recited as prayers), the priority is for her to study any <u>halachot</u> that she needs to observe before saying <u>Tehilim</u> or other prayers.

NOTE However, for the purposes of prayer, saying *Tehilim* is more important than "saying" (or reading) other parts of *Tanach*.

Women: Studying Talmud

Women are not prohibited from learning *Talmud*, but men should not teach them.

NOTE Since women are not required to study <u>Talmud</u>, they do not make a <u>siyum</u> if they complete studying any part.

Women: Blessings over Torah

Women are required to say the blessings over the <u>Torah</u> (<u>birchot haTorah</u>) before studying <u>Torah</u> or before praying.

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