Kaarah – Volume fourteen. Kitzur Hilchos Yerushalmi – Halacha derived from Gemara Yerushalmi – Maamarei Mordechai

## Shema

When reciting the words, be careful not to combine the sound of the letter ending one word with the sound of the beginning of the next that begins with the same letter. E.g. עַלּ

If one made a mistake but does not know where he made it, he begins again from the paragraph he is up to.

Professionals in the field read where they are, even in heights. Shema may be said by a porter while he is carrying a load. However, not during loading or unloading.

Facial gestures and hand signals are akin to talking during Shema. *Editor's note: one may do so only for those people that he may greet or answer (out of respect or fear).* 

## Tefillah

The Amidah has a specific order. The paragraph words may be amended by Sages but the order may not change.

One should say the Amidah with intent, initially. After the fact, he fulfilled his obligation even if he did not. If he did not and wants to repeat, he may only do so if he is certain he will have intent the second time. If one davens and realizes suddenly where he is up to, then he can assume he davened with intent.

Even hired professionals during work may not say the Amidah from a precarious place unless it is very laborious and time consuming to descend. Owners must make the time to daven on solid ground. Editor's note: This refers to those who must work at the time of tefillah and are put in a position to be in a precarious place. Those who can daven before or who can find a better place to say Shema and Amidah, should.

A porter may not daven Amidah while carrying a load unless he can stand balanced.

## Meals

Hired workers may only say the first bracha of *benching*. If they eat with their Jewish boss then they may recite the full *benching*. *Editor's note: This halacha is in regards to honesty of* 

workers that must work the full time they are being paid. They cannot take off from their work to protract their tefillah. Practicing one's religion is not an excuse to cheat an employer. All professionals who are billing hourly are included as "hourly workers" if they are in midst of a billable hour.