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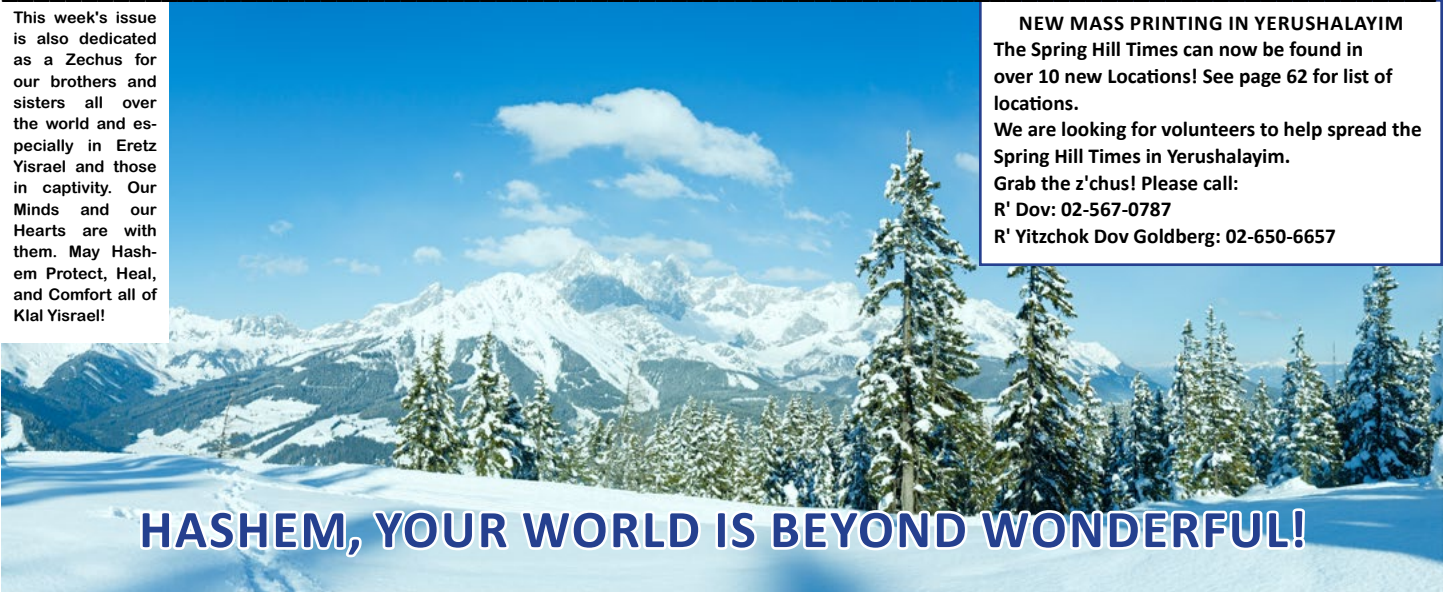
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SHOES FROM SHAMAYIM!

R' Gold* owned a specialty shoe store which sold sports shoes. One day, his business partner came over to him with a request. "There's a family whose father was suddenly niftar. Would you consider going to be menachem avel?"

R' Gold had lost his own father very suddenly as a boy, so even though he did not know this family at all, he agreed to go. He felt that he could

relate to what they were going through, because he had gone through a similar situation.

R' Gold arrived at the shiva house, and tried his best to provide some nechama. Before he left, he told the son, Yossi,* "I own a special shoe store; I sell special sneakers for playing sports. I want to give you a pair of sneakers as a gift. Whenever you want, come pick up a pair of sport shoes, for free."

Yossi's eyes opened wide. For a moment he was speechless. Then he said, "You don't know what that means to me!"

He explained, "I was going to camp next week, and the day before he was niftar, my father told me he would take me shopping for sports shoes the next day. The next day he was niftar so he couldn't take me. Now you came a day later and

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Continued from front page you are offering me the exact pair of shoes that my father promised me!



Now I see that Hashem will always take care of me!" [Rabbi Zevy Golombeck]

IN THE ZCHUS OF TEHILLIM

Seven years ago, R' Rabinowitz* traveled to Meron for Lag Ba'omer. He traveled with a heavy heart. He was waiting for a yeshuah in a certain matter, and he hoped to open the gates of Shamayim. He hoped



that in the zchus of davening by the kever of Rabi Shimon, his tefillah would be accepted.

R' Rabinowitz came to Meron and started to daven with concentration, doing all the necessary actions, but his heart did not open up. The davening was dry, as though closed up under lock and key. The words emerged from his mouth, but the tears did not come, although they were very necessary, considering his situation. He was left with the feeling that this was "not it."

After three hours, he got back on the bus to Yerushalayim feeling the bitter taste of a missed opportunity.

He felt that his tefillah had not been accepted.

On the bus going up to Yerushalayim, a Yid from Monsey settled into the seat next to his. A pleasant conversation ensued between them, and the Yid started telling stories of tzaddikim and hashgachah pratis. Among other things, he described an incredible series of occurrences.

He related: "My neighbor had three children at home in need of shidduchim. The oldest was 26, the next one was 25, and then there was a 24-year-old daughter. They were all great – excellent bachurim and a wonderful daughter, but no shidduchim in sight.

One day I asked him, "Do you say Tehillim as a zechus for your son to get engaged?"

"I daven for him a ton," he said, "but not specifically Tehillim."

"Say Tehillim for him," I proposed. "One perek every day."

He took my idea seriously and started saying a perek of Tehillim every day as a merit for his oldest son. Two weeks passed and I got a call from him: "My son got engaged!"

I came to the engagement and wished him mazal tov. He poured tremendous brachos on my head, filled with emotion and joy. "What an amazing piece of advice you gave me! Amazing! From now on I'm going to say two perakim of Tehillim every day as a zechus for my second son to find his zivug."

He kept his word. Two weeks later he called once again, happy and excited. "My second son just got engaged!"

Once again we met and shook hands warmly. Once again he benched me with all the brachos one

could find in the Torah, thanking me again for my good advice, and he said, "From now on I'm going to say three perakim of Tehillim every day as a zechus for my daughter to find her proper zivug."

Two weeks passed, and the story repeated itself a third time: His daughter was engaged. Mazal tov!"

The bus arrived at its destination. R' Rabinowitz parted from the Yid from Monsey, and as he got off the bus, he said to himself, "It's not possible that the tefillah in Meron didn't accomplish anything. In the z'chus of my tefillah, this Yid was sent to be my travelling companion to arouse me to the importance of reciting Tehillim!"

R' Rabinowitz took upon himself to say one perek of Tehillim every day for his personal yeshuah.

He started perek aleph on Sunday, beis on Monday, and so on. His yeshuah came quickly.

Three weeks later, the matter that had disturbed him so much was resolved, Baruch Hashem!

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BITACHON AT THE SEA

The Greenbaum family from Manchester, U.K., went away to the coast for a few nights. One day, they went to walk along the promenade. They found a nice, quiet spot, and the four big boys decided to go in the sea to have a swim. It was quite windy, but it wasn't so cold outside.

They all went into the sea and the waves were quite powerful.

[Editor's Note: Going into the sea



without a lifeguard ensuring that all is safe may not always be safe.]

One of the big boys was quite far into the sea when he suddenly got thrown by a very strong wave, and his glasses fell into the sea.

Baruch Hashem, he was able to move to a safer spot, but due to the strength of the waves he was unable to look for his glasses.

The boys came out of the water, and the Greenbaum family walked

up and down the shoreline, hoping that the glasses would be thrown by the waves onto the shore. They sang the song "hakol yachol" many times, but they still could not find the glasses.

Later on, the boys went on a longer walk, and on the way back they went past the same spot. The tide was further out and again they looked all over for the glasses, but they still couldn't find it.

Another son had a spare pair that he had brought along. It was hashgacha pratis that he had brought it, because even though it wasn't the exact prescription, it was a lot better than nothing!

The next day, before setting out on the day's outing, Mrs. Greenbaum went with one of her sons along the promenade to the area on the shoreline near where the glasses had fallen off, and she looked again. She thought to herself, "What are the chances that we're going to find the glasses in the vast sea? There are rocks that could have broken them. The glasses could have got buried in the sand. It's been a whole day."

Nevertheless, she walked along and sang the song "Hakol Yachol" to herself, while also thanking Hashem for the vacation and for everything he gave to her family.

Hashem had put them there to show them He can do anything! Mrs. Greenbaum picked up the glasses, and they burst into songs of "Hodu LaHashem Ki Tov" and "Hapaam Odeh es Hashem". They danced and sang and gave thanks to Hashem, and they hoped they would never forget the amazing feeling! (As heard from Mrs. Greenbaum)

HASHEM LOVES US!

A group of mothers of children with special needs went together on a trip to Niagara Falls to give themselves an opportunity to recharge.

The weather report called for rain all day, but it was too late to change their plans. Despite the forecast, there was no rain as they arrived at Niagara Falls, and no rain as they went about their planned activities!

At one point during the day, the planned activity was the 'Maid of the Mist' boat ride that goes right near the falls. As the mothers put on the ponchos, that were handed out



to all tourists so that they shouldn't get wet from the heavy mist near the falls, it started to rain!

Everyone was already wearing their ponchos, so nobody got wet. The boat was equipped with indoor viewing areas with large windows, so the mothers were able to get out of the rain and still enjoy the Niflaos Haborei. As the boat started to dock, the rain stopped! The rest of the

Suddenly, Mrs. Greenbaum's son pointed to the missing glasses! They were lying on the shore, not cracked, smashed or even bent! Just a bit sandy!

It was as though



their day was rain-free.

The mothers clearly saw the unbelievable hashgacha pratis, and they felt Hashem's love!

HASHEM PROVIDES APARTMENTS

R' Yosef* and R' Binyamin* had apartments in Beitar. Their Rebbe lives in Yerushalayim, so they preferred to rent out their apartments in Beitar and use the rental money to rent apartments in Yerushalayim. Initially, this was a comfortable arrangement for both of them. However, as their families grew, their rental apartments became too small, and they concluded that a change was needed. How? They had no idea. "The best thing would be to buy an apartment in Yerushalayim," R' Yosef told R' Binyamin.

"I think so too," R' Binyamin answered, "but it doesn't seem realistic to me. Where would I get the money to pay the outrageous prices for apartments here?" "I have no idea," R' Yosef answered, "but we can certainly daven."

The two friends decided to daven, each for the other, to find an apartment. They chose perek 76 of Tehillim, which includes the passuk, "And he was in Shaleim...and his dwelling in Tzion," which they would say with kavanah every day, and ask Hashem to arrange an apartment in Yerushalayim for them.

A half a year of reciting Tehillim passed, and Hashem put an idea into Yosef's head. The apartment he was renting belonged to someone who owned the apartment next door as well. He called the owner of the two apartments and proposed that he would buy both apartments from him and combine them into one large apartment of 105 square

meters. The owner of the apartment was interested in selling, but his price was quite high: 2,600,000 shekels.

"I have no way to come up with such a large sum," R' Yosef explained. "I own an apartment in Beitar which I can sell, and I can add a little extra, but the amount you're asking for is much more than I can afford."

The owner of the apartment, a Yid who does not keep Torah and mitzvos, answered in a completely unexpected way. "As you know, I am not religious. My children are also irreligious. What will be with me in the World to Come? What merits will I have? By now I've known you for fifteen years. You've acted honestly with me all the years. You've always paid rent on time, you have a large family, and you'll buy the house and do mitzvos in it. This will be a zechus for me. I'll sell you both apartments for the price of 1,400,000 shekels.



Let's close the deal!"

R' Yosef joyously related to R' Binyamin that his prayers were answered, and he'd found an apartment to buy. This roused R' Binyamin to do some more hishtadlus in the matter. He checked out every potentially suitable apartment but did not close a deal on any of them, due to the high prices. At one point he went to look at a four-room apartment, and he saw, hanging in the dining room, a picture of a great tzaddik, his wife's grandfather.

He asked the elderly woman who owned the house, "What is your connection to this tzaddik? We are his grandchildren!"

She related that the tzaddik had a connection to her family. "Twenty years ago, after my husband passed away, this tzaddik advised me to move to Eretz Yisrael. I did so, but now I've decided to move back to

Miracle and 'Mi K'amcha Yisrael' stories from Eretz Yisrael that were sent in by readers.

MI K'AMCHA YISRAEL!

A team of volunteers have rolled up their sleeves to clean the houses of southern evacuees. They come from all over the country to clean the houses of the residents who were evacuated from Sderot and the south, and who have not yet returned to their homes. They clean the refrigerator, empty bins, wash dishes, and air out the house, to remove all traces of the traumatic moments of leaving. The manager of a Sderot hardware store has provided all the cleaning products and Sano sent 30 boxes of products to supply the teams!

The volunteers go to the hotels where the evacuees are staying to collect the keys to the house, and then drive south to start cleaning. In every home they enter, they can see the panic and haste in which it was abandoned: Pans of food, food left on plates, refrigerators full of perishable products, toys and games scattered all around. The houses have been left for over six weeks and you can imagine the sights and smells of the rotting food. The volunteers work hard to make a lovely, clean home for the families to return to. *What a Nation!*

America. It would be a zechus for me if his grandchildren would purchase the apartment. How much are you willing to pay?"

This was a very expensive apartment, worth more than 2,500,000 shekels, but the woman was so happy to sell it to the grandchildren of the tzaddik that she agreed to sell for only 1,600,000 shekels.

Thus, two avreichim were able to buy apartments in Yerushalayim, with the belief that only Hashem could help them and the zchus of saying one perek of Tehillim daily with kavanah. [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

TRAFFIC JAM MINYAN

R' Einhorn,* an avreich from Kiryat Sefer, learned each afternoon in a kollel in a yishuv called Na'aleh, a distance of eight minutes' travel from Kiryat Sefer.

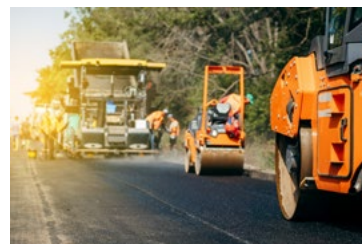
In Na'aleh there was a large group of

baalei teshuvah, and baruch Hashem, after facing much opposition, they succeeded in establishing a beautiful shul. Each day, the kollel members arrived at the shul about 25 minutes before sunset and davened Minchah there. Often the minyan relies on them and if they would be late, there would be people there who'd want to daven but would have no minyan.

Since the war broke out there's been a lot of chizuk. Many Jews who were not accustomed to davening started filling up the shul for Minchah, and the presence of the kollel became less crucial, as they were often able to form a minyan without the kollel members.

One day the group of avreichim set out toward the kollel in Na'aleh, travelling in two separate cars. They left Kiryat Sefer and found ourselves stuck in traffic, which was not moving.

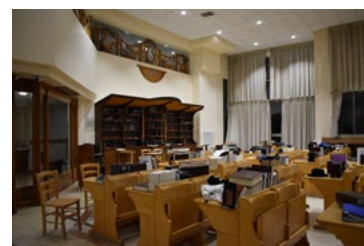
one car ahead of them, the traf-



fic cop closed the lane once again. They started to feel quite pressured. There were only five of them in their car. How would they daven Minchah with a minyan?

The Rosh Kollel tried asking the traffic cop to let them go, because they had to make it to Minchah before sunset, but he claimed there was no possibility of doing so, since cars were now traveling in the opposite direction on this lane. Suddenly, one of the avreichim came up with an idea. He went over to the traffic cop and asked him to let them all get out on the side of the highway and walk to nearby Yishuv Nili.

He agreed to this.



At the entrance to the shul in Nili they were amazed to discover seven people who wanted to daven Minchah but didn't have a minyan. They were very happy that the avreichim had arrived. They joined them and davened together. Now they understood that Hashem had arranged the traffic jam in order to send them to the place where they were needed. [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

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They called their friends in the other car, which was a little ways ahead of them, and they explained that there was construction on the road, and that's why they were allowing travel in only one direction at a time. Now it was the other lane's turn. What to do? In another twenty minutes the sun would set, and who knew how long the traffic jam would last?

Ten minutes passed and their lane opened up. They started moving along nicely, but when there was only

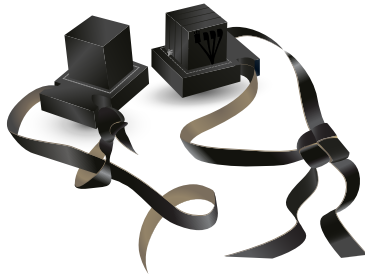


By R' Yisrael Meir Ehrenpreis

WEEKLY NEWS ROUNDUP

Mi K'Amchah Yisrael!

Aaron* from Eretz Yisrael lost his pair of Tefillin. He started searching for them, but they were nowhere to be found. Two days lat-



er, he received a phone call from someone who said that he found

his Tefillin.

When he had found the Tefillin, he started intensive research to find their owner. The only clue as to who they belonged to was the name on the Tefillin bag. He made many phone calls to

discover the owner. When he finally got in touch with Aaron, he was so happy!

"Jewish people love reuniting lost objects with their owners!"

[R' Zevy Golombeck]



And just like that all ten bochurim had Seudahs for Shabbos, all while feeling so good!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

"Kol Man D'oved Rachmanah L'Tav Oveed"

While waiting at the bus stop, Mrs. Levine*, from Eretz Yisrael, noticed a bus arrive. At the same time, she saw a yeshiva bochur was running towards the bus in an attempt to catch it. But just as the bochur reached the bus stop, the bus began to pull away, leaving him behind.

As she was thinking, "Oy, why did such a thing happen? All he wanted to do was go to Yeshiva!" right



"A Nation of Diamonds!"

Ten yeshiva bochurim made plans to eat the Shabbos Seudahs by someone. When it got closer to Shabbos, their host told them that it wouldn't work out.

They then met an amazing Jew who said, "By me, there's no such thing as you have to call by a certain time to come for a meal. I always make extra food! I love having people over for Shabbos!"

then, a kind Jew rolled down the window and called out, "Where do you want to go? To yeshiva? Of course, I'll bring you to Yeshiva; hop right in!"

She realized that while she was thinking, "Oy, why did such a thing happen?" Hashem had better plans for him; door-to-door service!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

Hashem is in Charge of Emotions!

Mrs. Cohen* was faced with a dilemma. Her daughter had a friend who was not having a good influence on her. She felt she that she should say something to her, but

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on the other hand she knew that whatever she would say would only backfire.



So, Mrs. Cohen devised a strategy, the best strategy; she went straight to the One in charge of emotions, Hashem, and she said, "Hashem, You are in charge of emotions. You can do anything and everything. Please put in my daughter's heart to not to want to be friends with this person anymore."

The next day, her daughter came over to her and said, "I thought about it. I don't know why I'm friends with this person; it doesn't make me happy. I want to have good friends."

And just like that, she made a complete turnaround!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

Am Yisrael- The Most Amazing Nation!

The Kaufmans* had a baby a few weeks ago and Mrs. Kaufman wasn't managing; she couldn't return to work. They called their Daas Torah and he answered, "On'es Rachmanah Pat'rey"- she shouldn't return to work.

Shortly afterwards, a relative called, "Our business is thriving, we have a lot of extra Ma'ser money to give and we would like



to support a family." And just like that, they had all the money they needed!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

Hashem's Perfect World!

Mrs. Blum,* A Morah in a school, had a baby. Six weeks later, when it was time for her to go to work, she was still exhausted, and did

not want to go to work. At the same time, they needed the money, and her husband wanted her to return to work.

They asked Their Da'as Torah and he told them that she should go back to teaching and that Hashem would work everything out.

Mrs. Blum saw a pattern that when the baby was up the whole night or didn't feel well, Hashem



worked it out that there wasn't school that day or that there was a school event, which made it that she could come late, or not come at all.

One morning, Mrs. Bloom's baby wasn't feeling well at night, so she needed extra sleep. Then, out of the blue, she got a phone call that a new teacher was trying out at the school and they were merging the two classes, so she should come an hour late!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

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Mrs. Horowitz has an organization that rents

apartments near NYU and Columbia hospitals. She gives them out to families of patients for free.

One day, the landlord of the apartment near Columbia called her up and told her that he's raising the rent to an exorbitant amount. It would be out of her budget. She decided that she was going to call him up and tell him that she is terminating the rental.

On that very day, she received a phone call from someone, and the person said that many years ago, they stayed in one of her apartments. They decided today that as a sign of hakaras hatov, they would like to cover the rent for an apartment, no matter what the price is! **"V'divrei Nifliosecha Asicha!"**

Klal Yisrael Loves Its Lomdei Torah

Reb Chaim Gold, from Kiryat Sefer, went to buy a second hand table.

The seller asked him how many children he had, and Reb Chaim

said, "Nine."

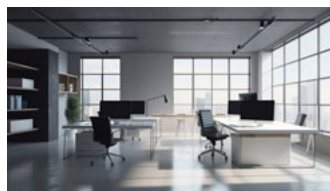
The seller asked him if he was an avreich who is learn-

ing Torah, and he replied, "Yes." The seller said, "If so, I am not charging you; take it for free!"

"Ulidovko Bo! Hadbek Btalmidim Uvchachamim!"

Man from Illinois Trusts in Hashem

Mr. Berger from Chicago, Illinois



works in an office. On Erev Shabbos Parshas Mikeitz, his boss came over to him and asked him to do a different job. Mr. Berger was really not interested in doing it; it was too much for him, but he didn't say anything. He thought to himself, "Ein Od Milvado." The entire time over Shabbos and Sunday he did not think about it, and he wasn't worried. He knew that



Hashem would take care of it for him.

On Monday he went to work, and his boss came over to him. He said to him, "You know that idea that I had on Friday? Forget about it; just continue what you were doing up until now."

"Baruch Hagever Asher Yivtach BaHashem!"

Man Loves Bizyonos

Reb Moshe messed up on something and received a lot of criticism for it. He was yelled at and



screamed at. The entire time he was chazering to himself the yeshodos of a Life with Bitachon: that it's soap and shampoo, and that it's saving him from accidents and gehenom. It became the highlight of his day and it did not bother him!

"Baruch Hagever Asher Yivtach BaHashem!"

Woman Trusts in Hashem

Mrs. Stern needed to send a very important letter in the mail. The

mailman comes to her house every day at 2:00. The problem was that she was at work, and she would only get home at 4:00. The post office was too far from her house to mail the letter at the post office, and she did not know what to do. She said to herself, "Hashem is the one who orchestrates everything, and He will make it work out." She came home at 4:00, and there was her mailman!



"Vdivrei Nifliosecha Asicha!"

What a Beautiful Nation

Raizel Esther, an 8-year-old girl from Lakewood NJ, had four dollars left from her

Chanukah gelt.

She decided to give all of it to tzedaka!

"Mi K'amcha Yisrael!"

The Power of Shalom

Mrs. Mizrachi had an older daughter in shidduchim for a very long time. No names were coming in. She was mekabel as a zechus that she is



always going to look for shalom. Two days later, her daughter was redt a shidduch, and she got engaged!

"Lo Matzah Hakadosh Baruch Hu Kli Machzik Bracha, Elah Hashalom!"

Hostages Thank Hashem

This past Tuesday, three of the hostages who were freed from Gaza came



to the Kosel Hamaaravi to thank Hashem! They said Bircas Hago-mel and Mizmor Lisoda!

"Yodu I'Hashem Chasdo V'niflionsav Livnei Adam"

Miracle in Gaza

Reb Ezra Hali, from Eretz Yisrael, met a mother of a soldier who was fighting in Gaza. She was asking everyone to please daven for her son. Reb Ezra said he would daven. He asked her if she could please do him a favor and start covering her hair. He told her that it will be a zechus for her son. She agreed to cover her hair.

She called Rav Ezra back a while later, and she told him a nes that happened to her son. An Arab sniper shot at him.



The bullet went through his helmet and stopped right there! The bullet did not enter his head!

She said, "I covered my head, and Hashem protected my son's head!"

"Ki Vi Shachak Vafalteihu Asagveihu Ki Yada Shmi!"

Non-Jews Are Nice to Yidden

In two separate instances in Lakewood, NJ, Yidden were waiting to turn onto a main road. A non-Jew



stopped his car, rolled down his window and smiled at them. He waved them onto the road!

Thank you Hashem!

Woman Trusts in Hashem

Mrs. Silber was running an event in her school, and she needed to print papers for the event. She tried using the printer, but it was broken. She tried for over a half hour. She tried this and she tried that but it was not working! The next day her secretary tried for over 45 minutes, but to no avail! On the day of the event, as Mrs. Silber on her way to school, she turned to Hashem



and said, "You're Hakol Yachol. You're the one Who can make the printer work." The entire way to school, she was singing to herself, "Hakol Yachol." When she got to school, she went to the printer and turned something, and the printer started working better than ever!

"Baruch Hagever Asher Yivtach BHashem!"

Hashem is Watching Over His Children

There is a surgeon in NY who left her job to help the wounded in Eretz Yisrael. She said that she sees nissim every day. She and her colleagues

looked at the
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scans, and time after time they marvel how they see the bullets seem to go out of the way to miss the vital organs!

"V'al Nisecha Shebichol Yom Imanu!"

Klal Yisrael is Coming Home to Hashem

A woman who was involved in helping families who became inspired to keep Shabbos said that the organization has distributed close to **FIVE THOUSAND** hot plates!



to go to work. But I really want to stay in learning." Later on that day, someone came over to Reb Yechiel and asked him what he was doing. Reb Yechiel told him that he was learning until now, and now he needs to go to work because he is not making ends meet. The man asked Reb Yechiel how much money he needs. Reb Yechiel told him. The man said, "No problem! It's on me! I'm sponsoring it! Go back to your learning!"



"Hamelamed Torah L'amo Yisrael!"

"V'amech Kulam Tzadikim!"

Hashem Loves Our Learning

Reb Yechiel was learning in kollel and was not making ends meet. He was going into debt. His wife told him that he needs to ask a sheila; it might be time for him to go to work. Reb Yechiel went to his Rebbe and his Rebbe told him that yes, it is time for him to go to work. Reb Yechiel turned to Hashem and said, "I understand that the halacha is that I need

Yom Kippur Saves Life

According to reports coming from Eretz Yisrael, there is a girl from the United States who was planning on going to Eretz Yisrael to the gathering near Gaza on Simchas Torah. Her parents managed to convince her to keep Yom Kippur.

On Yom Kippur day, she received a phone call from the bank, but she did not pick up. The bank kept on calling again and again. She didn't know what to do, but she held strong and did not pick up the phone.



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After Yom Kippur, she called back the bank, and the bank told her that someone had been withdrawing money from her account. It turned out that the person emptied her account. She had lost 15,000 dollars! She was very upset. Here she was trying to do Hashem's mitzvah, and she lost so much money because of it!

(According to another version, the bank froze her account because they suspected fraud).

She was not able to travel to Eretz Yisrael. When the story happened on Simchas Torah, she realized that this had saved her life!

"U'bacharta B'chaim!"

First Grader from Lakewood NJ Helps Bring Mashiach



Sarah, a first grader from Bais

Faiga, learned about Mashiach.

One night, in middle of the night, she woke up and ran to her mother. Sarah asked her mother, "Did Mashiach come yet??"

"V'af Al Pi Sheyismaameah Im Kol Zeh Achakeh Lo B'chol Yom Sheyavo"

Hashem is Running a Perfect World!

Mrs. Miller was cleaning up her house, and she put a bucket on the couch. One of her children was taking a shower upstairs, and the water started leaking. It leaked over the couch, but because she

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stayed dry!

"Mashgiach Min Hachalonus Meitzitz Min Hacharakim!"

Umal'ah Ha'aretz Deah Es Hashem

A not-yet-frum Knesset member got up in the Knesset and declared that she believes in Mashiach!



She quoted a pasuk in Yeshaya, "Lo Yisa Goy El Goy Cherev Lo Yilmidu Od Milchama." She said, "Ani Maamin Beemunah Shileima Bvi-as Hamashiach!"

"V'shavta Ad Hashem Elokecha!"

Hashem is Our True Doctor

In the middle of Chodesh Tishrei, a man from Yerushalayim was



rushed to the hospital in critical condition. He was in the ICU for a long time. Now, he just made a seudas hodaah! He recovered without any major side effects!

"Baruch Rofeh Cholim!"

Open Hisgalus Hashechinah

Mrs. Sheiner just made a chasunah. She had no money left over and she did not know how she was



going to buy food for Shabbos. She



also did not know how she was going to make her monthly mortgage payment. She wanted to call the mortgage company to ask them when is the latest day she could pay the mortgage.

She went to her pile of old mail, and took out a mortgage statement. Suddenly, she noticed that attached to the statement was a check. The mortgage company had sent her a reimbursement check! The money on the check

was the amount of money that she needed to buy food for Shabbos!

"Einei Chol Elecha Yisabeiru V'ata Nosen Lahem Es Ochlam B'ito!"

Family Davens to Hashem

Kav Hashgacha Pratis reported that on Chanuka, the Singer family from Kiryat Sefer went to visit their grandmother in Har Nof.



They remember seeing that there was a bus back at 7:45. At 7:45 they went to the bus stop. They waited and waited, but no bus was coming. It was cold outside, and the children started complaining.

Rabbi Singer told his children to start davening to Hashem! They davened to Hashem that He should send them a bus.

A few minutes later, a bus came. They were the only people on the bus!

When they got back to Kiryat Sefer, Rabbi Sing-

er checked the schedule, and he saw that there was no bus scheduled for 7:45! The only buses that were scheduled were for 8:45 and 9:45! Hashem had sent them a bus because he heard his children's tefillos!

In addition, the Rav Kav machine on the bus was broken. The law is that if it's broken, people don't have to pay! Hashem gave them a free ride!

"Baruch Shomeiah Tefilla!"

Hashem Loves When We Think About Others

A few months ago, we reported in the Spring Hill Times about a Yeshoma from Eretz Yisrael who went over to Rav Chaim Zaid and told him that she has 6,000 shekel saved up. She wanted to use that money to buy pairs of tzitzis for the Israeli soldiers. Reb Chaim took the money and bought 127 pairs of tzitzis. One of those pairs of tzitzis miraculously helped the Israeli soldiers find a terrorist and they were able to kill him!



Reb Yaakov Rahimi reported on Torah Anytime that a wealthy man from Florida heard this story and called up Reb Chaim. He told him to tell that girl that he'll be her father now! He said he is going to pay for her wedding and buy her an apartment in Bayit Vegan! The girl is now is engaged and her wedding will be paid up Be'ezras

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Hashem, and she'll have a beautiful apartment in Bayit Vegan! She gave to others and Hashem gave her back more than 100 times!

"Uvichanuni na b'zos amar Hashem tzevakos."

Hashem Loves His Children

The Orensteins needed a new couch, but money was tight.



Mrs. Orenstein was speaking to her friend, and she told her that they needed a couch with two recliners on the side in a specific color and shape. Her friend told her to say to Hashem, "I'm Your child, You love me. You could help me!" That is what Mrs. Orenstein did.

The next day, Mrs. Orenstein's daughter came home from school and told her mother that she was speaking to her friend. Her friend asked her if she knew of anyone

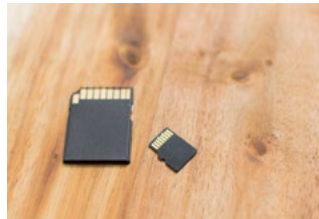
who needed a new couch. Her family was getting a new couch and giving away their old one, which was in good condition.

The couch was the exact couch that the Orensteins needed! They got it delivered to their door for free! Door to door service!

"Vidivrei Nifiosecha Asicha!"

Hashem Loves Yeshiva Bachur

Chaim, a yeshiva bachur from Monsey NY, lost his SD card. He searched all around for it, but he could not find it. He turned



to Hashem and said, "Hashem, please help me find it. Not because I deserve it, but because You love me!!" Within five seconds, he found the card!

Thank you Hashem!

Man Trusts in Hashem

to himself, "One second, there's no such thing as something is broken. Hashem can make anything work!" He tried it and it started working! It's working now better than ever!

"Vihaboteach BaHashem Chesed Yisovivenu!"

Hashem is Running a Perfect World

Ba-ruch, from



Monsey NY, sponsored the Avos Ubanim on Motzei Shabbos in the shul where his nephews daven and learn. His two nephews won the raffles!

"Mashgiach Min Hachalonos, Meitzitz Min Hacharakim!"

Non-Jew is Nice to Yid

A Yungerman was in the airport, and a Muslim came over to him and asked him how he was doing. He even gave the yungerman a compliment and told him that he likes



his black hat!

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Reb Yaakov had an appliance that was broken for a few months already. He was about to throw it out, but he said

LIVING WITH HASHEM

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Editor's note: Many of these stories are from Av-Tishrei.

CHIZUK VIA POSITIVITY



One evening, a Yerushlami Meshulach knocked on the door of R' Yosef Cohen. R' Cohen said to the meshulach, "You've had a long day collecting; why don't you come eat supper?"

The Yid said, "Thank you so much!" and took him up on his offer.

They started schmoozing, and the meshulach said to him, "Do you know what I do in Eretz Yisrael?"

Every week, I go with ten bachurim from hospital to hospital, and we sing a few niggunim for the patients. Not only do we lift up their spirits, we do techiyas ham-eisim! It gives such chizuk to see these people, it brings such bracha."

The meshulach started telling R' Cohen how his mahalach hachinuch is to ooze with positivity. "People are constantly screaming and yelling at people and putting people down. I always lift up people's spirits."

He continued to tell over a story:

"There was somebody that no one was able to connect to and was involved in bad activities. All I did was say to him, "Let's shmooze! Let's have a conversation." He said, "Wow! You made me feel like a person!" That's how this person opened up. He became a ba'al teshuva!"

EVERYTHING IS FOR OUR BENEFIT!

Baruch Rosenstock picked up his car from the mechanic. When he got home, he noticed that the mechanic left his tools in his car. Baruch decided to do Hashavas Aveida by bringing them back. Just then, his car's air conditioner stopped working.

It



was 90 degrees outside. He said to himself, "Okay, another expense."

He went to the mechanic, Shloimy, to return the tools to him.

Shloimy said to him, "Oh, you're doing hashavas aveidah? I'm fixing your air conditioner for free!"

Baruch felt Hashem's love so clearly! Hashem made the mechanic leave his tools in Baruch's car so that he would have to return them,

and at exactly the same time, He made it that Baruch's a/c should stop working! If it would have stopped working earlier or later he would have had to pay for it!!

BITACHON BRINGS PAR-NASSAH!

R' Spitzer*, a Rebbe, had a friend who was a "lo mutzlach" – he couldn't get his act together in any area in life. He didn't have a penny to his name.

R' Spitzer decided to take it on himself to go collecting for his friend and his family.

He made one condition; they have to accept on themselves to follow 'A Life with Bitachon' hotline twice a week.



A few months passed, and the friend's business picked up. He didn't need R' Spitzer to collect money for him any more!

"THANK YOU, HASHEM, THAT I MISSED THE FLIGHT!"

Mishpachas Feldheim from Eretz Yisroel has been married for 40 years. On her 40th anniversary, she called to tell this story.

While Mrs. Feldheim was still

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single and looking for a shidduch, she was trying to catch a plane from America to Eretz Yisroel. She missed the plane. She didn't know why she missed the plane, but she knew that everything Hashem does is good.



After she missed the plane, someone saw her and said they have a shidduch for her. She ended up getting married to that boy, and it was all because she missed the plane! Missing the plane was probably the biggest bracha in her life. She has now been happily married for 40 years!

MONEY FROM HEAVEN

Mrs. Levi from Beit Shemesh had a big bill to pay and no money in sight. She didn't know what she was going to do. She said, "Hashem has helped me in many ways in the past when I had no idea what I would do. Hashem will always help."

She was passing by the sefarim shrank and saw an envelope full of cash. She had no idea how it got there or where it came from. Her husband also had no idea.



One thing they did know was that Hashem had the money there ready for when they would need it and it was more than enough money to pay their bills!

TRAFFIC IS TERRIFIC!

Yisroel Kellner told me that he enjoys sitting in traffic because then he has more time to listen to the "A Life with Bitachon" hotline! He learns more about emunah and bitachon when he is sitting in traffic.

How amazing it is that he turned traffic into a positive experience!

BITACHON JOURNEY

R' Hirsch* from the UK had a very old and rusty car. He needed to drive with his family from London to Gateshead, which is a drive of between five and seven hours. He wasn't sure whether it would be responsible to drive with his car because of its condition, so as basic



hishtdalus he brought it to a mechanic to get checked.

The mechanic said it should be able to make the trip.

At first Rabbi Hirsch thought he would buy a motor care kit as an extra precaution, but then he decided against it. Instead, he strengthened himself in emunah and bitachon, concentrating on the thought that Hashem is the one that guarantees safety, not a motor care kit or anything else.

R' Hirsch and his family went on their journey.

On the way there, Baruch Hashem, everything worked out 100% amazing. There was some traffic, so the journey took six and a half hours.

On the way back, R' Hirsch decided that he's going to strengthen himself even more with bitachon that it is going to be the most amazing journey!

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They were traveling during rush hour so he was very much mecha-zeik with bitachon.

At one point they saw a sign that said something about delays on the road. He told his family that the sign says, "You're going to have the most perfect and amazing journey." Everyone laughed!

Then, as they got closer to London, which is where the traffic typically starts, he turned to his wife and explained, "Surely you agree that we don't believe in the whole concept of rush hour and all these cause and effect and nature types of things.



We only believe in Hashem, who is Hakol Yachol, and there's no issue of rush hour or anything like that." His wife definitely agreed!

Baruch Hashem, they had the most amazing journey. They hardly got stuck in traffic getting into London, or anywhere else! The journey back took just over 5 hours.

R' Hirsch had taken this journey a number of times, but this was the quickest he ever recalled doing this journey!

VATRANUS BRINGS SIMCHA

Dov Hepner, a yungerman in Eretz Yisroel, had a brother-in-law that

was in the parsha of shidduchim for a couple of years. His brother-in-law encouraged his younger brother to start shidduchim as well. He was very happy for him when he got engaged and was so much part of his simcha!

At the vort, someone saw him and was so impressed that he suggested him a shidduch. He ended up getting engaged soon after!

HASHEM ARRANGES EVERY "ACCIDENT!"

R' Schwartz* was trying to start a business and needed a very large sum of money in cash. He was trying to think where he could come up with the money.

He was using his phone and tried to press the number "7," but 'accidentally' pressed "77" and ended up calling an old friend of his, Rab-



bi Goldstein*.

He had not spoken to him in ten years, but once he was on the line with him he explained to him that he needed help. Rabbi Goldstein* was extremely generous and on the spot offered to lend him the money in the most gracious way! Klal Yisroel is the most amazing nation!

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Q: Where in this week's Parshah do we find a connection with the pictures below?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 40

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Niflaos Haborei Riddles

T. Bauman

I'm a twin and we are busy
All day and all night.
My twin sits on the left
And I am on the right.
We expand and we contract
As we welcome and let go,
All controlled by a muscle -
Which lies right below.
We are vital for survival,

But can be mimicked by machine,
You also need our service,
To even talk or sing.
So take a deep breath and concentrate,
I'm sure you'll guess our name,
We are referred to in plural,
Cuz we are two parts of the same.

Find the answer somewhere on the page

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Riddle #70 Parshas Vayechi

The first time that Hashem revealed Himself to Moshe, was by a thorn bush - a burning "Sneh". Thorns are prickly and can make one tense, that's why for a garden they're the perfect fence. The Medrash explains that this is a hint to our nation, something that describes our unique vocation!

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Parsha Delight Question of the Week

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Why must the pasuk (2:11) say, "מִן־אִישׁ מִצְרַיִם אִישׁ מִצְרַיִם אִישׁ עָבַד מִצְרַיִם" and (Moshe) saw an Egyptian man strike an Ivri Man of his brothers (relatives)"!

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b) There is no such thing as something 'bad' happening to a person. Everything that ever happened and will ever happen is wonderful!

2. Start thinking about the trillions x trillions x trillions of kindnesses that Hashem is showering upon you every second!

The world is bursting with love, kindness and compassion and contains absolutely nothing else!

Everything else is pure imagination!

Ayin Tova

Seeing the good in every situation

CASE OF THE WEEK:



More than two feet of snow fell overnight, and the cars parked on the streets were buried. Donny Shapiro called his boss who said he could come in an hour late. Donny's son started clearing off the car in front of the house while Donny was shoveling a path so he could get to the main road which had been plowed.

After a half an hour of back breaking work in the freezing cold, Donny realized that he parked his car a few spots back and the car they were cleaning was.... his neighbor's car!

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Help Donny and his son have ayin tova for their situation.

Suggestions for the case where a big produce chain opens next to a smaller store owned by Yaakov

- Parnassa is from Hashem and not from the people around you who are just the messengers that Hashem sent your way to make it happen. The more we believe and embrace that, the more the whole story will look differently.



- Perhaps, this is Hashem's way of ensuring that he becomes the very best store owner. Perhaps, he will find a specific niche in the market. He should view this as Hashem giving him a nudge to become better at what he does.

- He can realize that bigger isn't always better and he can work on giving personal attention to the customers and be more discriminating about choosing better produce. This can help him build up a more loyal clientele than he had before.

- This can help Yaakov realize that he wants to open a bigger business and work up a better reputation.
- If he has leftover produce, rather than be anxious that he is not making enough of a profit, he can use it as an opportunity to give these fruits to tzedakah. He traded a profit from Olam HaZeh for a profit from Olam Haba!
- Maybe now it's time for him to pursue something that he always wanted to do but never had time for.

SIXTY SECONDS OF INSPIRATION

With Rabbi Label Lam - Monsey, New York

Life at the Airport



I can't forget: It was a giant snowstorm, and I was stuck at an airport for thirty-six hours, trying to get to California.

There was no information at the courtesy phone or at the airline desk, and people were getting very frustrated. I managed to keep myself busy with davening and learning, and I caught part of a conversation of an Oriental fellow as



he was passing by. He was disoriented, and he was talking to somebody thousands of miles away. He summarized the general frustration by saying,

"I don't know where I am; I don't know who I am; I don't know why I am!"

I chuckled at the time, but then I realized that that's the pshat in the world without Torah—it's like we're at the airport, all the existential anxiety and nausea and forlornness, despair, not knowing where we are, or who we are, or why we are. Dovid HaMelech said, Lulei Soros'cha, if it wouldn't be for Your Torah, sha'ashu'ai, my thing that I'm busy with, az avadti be'onyi, then I would be lost in my poverty. But B"H we know where we are, and who we are, and why we are.

Good Shabbos!



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Living With Appreciation

By: R' Daniel Shasha

Each day Yisro's daughters went to the well to draw water but it was always a challenge. They were constantly taunted by the local shepherds and would arrive home late and exhausted. Yet one time they come home much earlier. and in much better spirits. Yisro was very surprised by what had changed and they explained "an Egyptian man saved us (2:19)." Although the simple explanation is that they were referring to Moshe, the Midrash (Shemos Rabbah 1:32) explains that they were also referring to the Egyptian taskmaster whom Moshe killed.

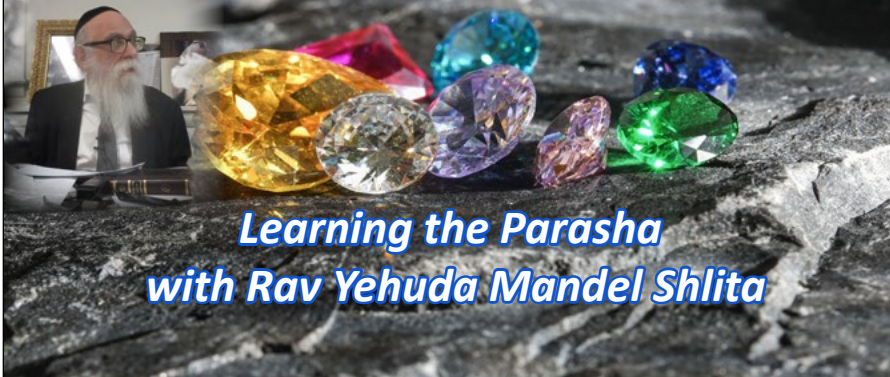
The Midrash brings the following mashal. A man was attacked by a wild donkey and ran to the nearest river to wash his wounds; he saw a drowning child and was able to save him. The child thanked him profusely stating "if not for you I would have died." The man responded "no, it was because of the donkey that you were saved." So too, the daughters of Yisro were able to focus on the bigger picture and appreciate all the events that led up to their salvation. They knew they were saved by Moshe and this was because Moshe had to flee Egypt since he killed the taskmaster and therefore went to seek refuge in Midian. Therefore they had some gratitude to the Egyptian man whom Moshe killed! This is a powerful idea in the importance of gratitude. There are often many different factors that help cause our yeshuah and we should try and appreciate them. We could also learn from here the importance of appreciating those who help us, even if they didn't mean too. The daughters were thanking the Egyptian man since he helped cause Moshe to go to Midian, even though this wasn't his intention.

Towards the end of his life, Rabbi Isser Zalman Meltzer was visited by a former student who came to invite him to his son's Bar Mitzvah. "I don't expect the Rabbi to come", the student said, "we live across town and our apartment is very high up". He knew it would be very challenging for the Rabbi to come, but felt it was courtesy to invite him anyway. To the student's shock, Rabbi Isser Zalman walked through their door with warm mazel tov greetings to the entire family. The host was very surprised he came and asked why he went to so much trouble. "I have a great deal of gratitude to you", the Rabbi replied. "What gratitude do you have?" asked the confused father. Rabbi Isser Zalman explained that when the man came to invite him to his son's Bar Mitzvah, he was able to reflect that it had been many years since he taught this student when he was a child. Now he was a fully grown adult making a Bar Mitzvah for his son. "This was a wakeup call to me that I am getting on in years and it inspired me to do teshuvah" he explained. "I am therefore extremely grateful to you that you helped give me this wake-up call, and I troubled myself due to my great gratitude to you.



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Bitachon Gems



Learning the Parasha with Rav Yehuda Mandel Shlita

תבן ולבנים

It is interesting that תבן and קש which symbolize a flammable and weak substance (straw) turns into לבנים – tough, hard bricks. Similarly, the filthy dirty earth is the basis of the most beautiful and sweet fruits and flowers and all kinds of growing things. Mr. Nobody zero turns into the most important and glorious person. He made his world with this concept, and perhaps when the לבנים were manufacturing bricks from קש - they were given a רמז for their future ישועה.

Part II

Such slaves of lowly Egyptians suddenly become tough army men. The world is full of opportunities to convert the lowest to the highest like במקום שבעלי תשובה עומדין אין צדיקים גמורים יכולין לעמוד.

It says that when the body of שאול המלך was dug up they found that it was whole. It is known that the reason why a dead body decomposes is because of the מדה of jealousy.

Part III

רקב עצמות said שלמה המלך and big צדיקים who were known for עין טובה even many years after their death like שרגא ר' משה יו"ט and פיבול מנדלוויץ ז"ל (the father of ר' נתן ז"ל). The stories of שאול ודוד are loaded with קנאה of שאול's unending.

why was his body whole after he was נפטור?

Part IV

There are 2 types of people who do evil. Those who want to do evil and those who can't help it. The חוה"ל of the הקדמה is loaded with proofs of how the main thing is what you want to do and עבירות בשוגג are a different world than מזידין.

Part V

שאול המלך and דואג האדמוני were both involved in destroying נב עיר הכהנים. Despite this, דוד is constantly in awe and respect of שאול, and he curses דואג so he should die young and lose his עוה"ב (סנהדרין פ' חלק).

נסיכים of שאול remains one of the great כלל ישראל and כלל ישראל were punished years later because he wasn't נספד כהלכה.

Part VI

the גמ' mentions one of the great מעלות that is a key to keep התורה כולה:

and it means not saying שקר.

The יעקב gives as an example and the ריב"ן explains that at first יעקב didn't want to say שקר and make believe he was עשוי. Although in the end he did say שקר, he still remains the top example of a man of truth.

Part VII

We see that not only is an אונס רחמנא פטרי, but those who didn't want to do evil can be consid-

ered special in the same area that they were נכשל! We can suggest בס"ד that although שאול was loaded with דוד – he is probably totally innocent because he had a רוח רעה. And for sure he wished to be a person since דוד who symbolizes מלכות was unusual in עין טובה.

Part VIII

שאול saw good in his worst enemies like שאול and אבנר and שמעי and his wicked son אבשלום. אבשלום's son was his competitor and דוד killed the 2 people who assassinated him and he called איש א צדיק. A true מלך sees good in everyone and the רמב"ם calls a מלך the לב of the כלל. We can suggest בס"ד that שאול was in truth a true מלך who excels in עי"ט (at the beginning of his reign he was super nice and forgiving to people who defamed him.) But the רוח רעה caused his קנאה.

Part IX

Also, since כלל ישראל asked for a מלך שלא כהוגן to be therefore they get a situation with שאול. He wasn't from the royal שבט of יהודה and the name שאול means borrowed (he was indeed a "borrowed" temporary מלכות – like his name שאול).

רחמים who is total truth and understood the true greatness of שאול and in his death his body was still whole like an עי"ט person.

Part X

So many of us suffer because we can't achieve what we strive for. There is a מדרש רבה in תשא פ' כי תשא that says that משה was shown many עוה"ב of אוצרות and then he was shown an אוצר גדול for those who wanted to do מצוות and they weren't able to. If you suffer from lack of התמדה, תורה, קדושה, נחת, בטחון, ב"א לחברו סו, מדות טובות, נחית, סבלנות, קנאה תאוה וכבוד – you should cheer up. It's possible that in שמים you are דוקא the example of success in the very area that you feel you are lacking! נועם רחמנא לוא



בעי.

Part XI

Here we have a person who spent years of his life being full of קנאה and he's known for that weakness forever, and in the world of truth he remains דוקא the symbol of an עין טובה. How precious are those frustrated חרדי Jews who wish they could improve themselves. Without a question the entire world stands on them – but they have a hard job to respect themselves properly and if you don't repeat these concepts regularly it can go into one ear and come out the same ear and you remain as depressed as ever.

Part XII

This is the greatness of having a regular מוסר סדר – חזר to those יסודות that give you חזק. I heard בשם ר"א קרלינר ז"ל that if a בחור goes from ביהמ"ד to his home without looking once at what's אסור to look at, and he isn't dancing loads for this accomplishment – then that's the reason why people don't become great.

Part XIII

And not succeeding can be even more טוב (as long as you keep trying and struggling) since טוב פ"א בצער מק' בלי צער. You need to חזר daily לפום צערא אגרא at least 10-20 times and you'll become a happy person. Also, אאונס רחמנא פטרי 10

הוי דן עצמך לכף זכות and 20x or 10-20x as needed. Of course make sure you have a Rebbies' guidance.

ויחר אף ד' במשה

Look how extensively the תורה speaks about what appears like רבינו משה's weaknesses

Of course we don't truly understand משה רבינו but we certainly have plenty to learn for our own issues. Look how much he has a give and take with הקב"ה Himself and he hesitates again and again back and forth and he loses גדולה and many more problems, and he also causes the הקב"ה to get angry with him etc. He is making mistakes all over the place and yet he is משה רבינו the greatest human that ever lived.

Part II

I know a yid who is a famous שיעור אדם גדול who gives a high level and is renowned for his שמים יראת and all kinds of high מדרגות which are way above even our greatest צדיקים.

He is heavily involved in thanking הקב"ה regularly and he has loads and loads to thank for – much, much more than the most successful people in the whole world ברוחניות and גשמיות.

Part III

However, this person is still a human being (although even גדולי ישראל consider him like a מלאך), and he has a single serious weakness which is totally unknown. In that area he is ממהלך super weak with no how to deal with it. By the way, he is not alone – there are many "giants" out there who can have strong weaknesses that you and me don't even have. But they are still great people.

Part IV

When he thanks הקב"ה he spends the lion's share of his thank-you on his painful and embarrassing weakness! He thanks for all those times that he was able to overcome it and all those קבלות that he never even kept, and all those outrageous inconsistencies in this area. He is total מסודרדיק and phenomenally אויסגהלטן – a real בוקי – a בוקי and a חריף – he's "got it all".

Part V

But in his weak area he is nowhere! Yet, his main thank yous are for the fact that he wants so much to improve and his striving to have better רצונות. He has volumes of what he calls his greatest צדקות – all those many failed attempts to improve and when he succeeds he considers it like משיח just came.

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Our entire day is around our families. We start our day taking care of them. We work through out the day for them and we again take care of them at night and throughout the night!

We love our children more than we love ourselves!

Every morning, we happily wake up early to take care of them.

We jump out of bed and give them a hearty breakfast. After that we clothe them as we are following in the ways of Hashem.

Just like Hashem feeds us and clothes us we do the same for our kids.

Then comes the race to the bus. Many people stand with their kids in the heat, cold or rain. Sometimes they miss their bus, so we

happily drive them all the way to school and enjoy the extra time with them...

We then go to work. The purpose we go to work is to support the family.

When we come home, we are once again caring for our children. This includes feeding them supper, doing their homework with them, talking to them and encouraging them to continue on their journey through life with positivity and joy.

Then comes bedtime. We read to them bedtimes stories and make sure they are comfortable.

Even after we tuck them in, we are caring for them. Sometimes they remember that they are hungry and sometimes have all sorts of

aches and pains that need to be soothed.

We do it much love and care.

Sometimes a child wakes up in middle of the night. Sometimes the child is sick r"l and he keeps us up, turning the night into day. This in turn causes your day to turn into a night.

Yet we lovingly and happily

take care of them! It's fun and we enjoy it! It's the most delicious thing in the world!

When a child is sick r"l, our love and care goes up to a whole new level. We take off from our busy schedule and go with him/her to the doctor.

All this is just a tip of the bucket. We, parents, are love machines. We give, give and give non-stop!

We do it selflessly and lovingly.

We are doing exactly what Hashem does with us!

We all run a love and care organization. Where is it located? At home!

Hashem wants us to take this a step further and give the same love and care for every single Yid!

Rav Belsky zt"l was well known for his mesirus of how he gave up from his precious time for a fellow Yid.

A distant relative of Rav Belsky once called him with some guidance on Kashering appliances. Rav Belsky spent a while on the phone giving him directions.

Approximately an hour after they hung up, Rav Belsky showed up at his cousin's house. He asked him, "Why did the Rav come?" Rav Belsky explained that he detected in his voice that he didn't have the confidence in Kashering, so he came over to help.

Rav Belsky's time was extremely calculated and precious, but he was willing to give up his time for a fellow yid. All he knew was that his distant relative needed his help now. Everything else will have to wait.

Time is precious but caring and loving another Yid is even more precious!

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YOU HAVE NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT!

"I'M IN"

I'm in-- The game,- The deal, -The decision, all sounds positive. The term "I'm in" on something usually connotes and gives you the feeling of someone joining to do a deed with good intent, with total involvement in whatever they're doing and with a positive state of mind.

Well how about if we add the word "bed," "I'm in bed"?

From the mouth of a sweet obedient child, that's: in bed on time! Sounds great!

Well, I'm penning this article now, while being out of Yeshivah and "in bed." If my Menahel calls me and asks me, "Rebbe, how are you feeling?" and I answer, "in bed." It won't sound too good.

In truth, however it all depends on how I'll say it. I could say, "B"H in bed!" So now, "How's that going be for an answer?" I figured, "Let me first take this "in bed" toward some nice, positive thoughts."



#1- B"H I'm in a bed! In a bed with a nice comfortable mattress and with clean perfectly fitted colorful linen, together with a set of gesh-make pillows and a fluffy blanket that B"H is keeping me warm! THANK YOU, HASHEM!

I should really be thanking Hashem for this bed every day! This is where my tired body gets a healthy, good few hours of recharging and refreshing sleep every night! Baruch Hashem, I arise in the morning with renewed vigor and strength for a new day on this world!

When I need a nap, again this is my physical recharging station. B"H for this bed and for all the beds in my house!

#2- When I don't feel

well, well, here is where Hashem, so to speak, Rests His Shechina!

As Chazal teach us "The Shechina rests at the headboard of a sick Yid's bed" As we know that's the reason that Yaakov Avinu bowed toward the headboard of his bed, when he was sick.

The famous Slonimer Rebbe Z"L, who became well known with the name of his sefer, Nesivos Shalom, was, at sometime during his heilige life, bedridden and very sick. When he B"H recovered his health, he mentioned to someone, that in his hardest times during his sickness, the thought that Hashem's Shechina is at his headboard, comforted him immensely. He said, "I felt like I was by the Kosel Hamaaravi!" This helped him emotionally and physically until his full recovery.

#3- I'm actually enjoying a day off from work (Don't tell this one to my boss!).

#4- I got a chance to write another article for The Spring Hill Times!

So here I am with the company of The Shechina, comfortably snuggled up in a gift from Hashem, called "a bed" writing an ar-



ticle. I think that sounds pretty good! B"H!

B"H for Tylenol and Motrin, all antibiotics and other medications! They're all hidden Nissim!

They are wonders hidden in nature! I feel much better with them. BORUCH HASHEM!

THE END OF WONDERS

There is a very powerful p'shat from the heilige S'fas Emes, on the words in the Neviim referring to the Geulah Shleima as "Keitz Haplaos" The Wonderous End. Simply translated into meaning that there's going to be a lot of great Nissim and wonders at the time of the Geulah. The S'fas Emes asks that grammatically speaking, those words would be translated as "The End of Won-



ders"!?

His answer is thunderous and enlightening! He says "This world the way we see it in Galus, is the greatest peleh-wonder ever! The way Hashem is concealing Himself so to speak, He is hiding in a Galus world of teva is a tremendously, wonderous thing. This is The Biggest Wonder of Wonders, in our Wonderous World! Hashem is

everything. Everything comes from Hashem. Everything Hashem does is good. Everything is constantly, carefully, purposely, for good reasons being done and run by Him. It's wonderous how Hashem seems hidden in teva and in the struggles we encounter in our galus.

Now comes The Bombshell! The S'fas Emes says:

"The Geulah is going to be the "Keitz Haplaois," The End of

the Wonders. It'll finally be the end of those Great Wonders that went on through our Galus days!

Hashem's presence in this world, His involvement, and the knowledge of all His doings as "everything being good", is finally going to be revealed. The veiled will be revealed!

Nature will be saturated with Hashem's revealed presence.

Hashem Hu Ha'Elokim

Numerically Elokim=86 HaTeva=86.

In the Seforim Hakdoishim The name Eloikim refers to Hashem running the world within the confines of His hiding in nature. That Name Elokim also alludes to Hashem's running the world with strictness or Chas V'shaloim punishment. Concealed, and Hidden Kindness.

The Name Yud-Hei- Vuv and the final Hei, allude to Hashem running His world in a way that's not confined to nature. Above nature. That Name of Hashem also alludes to Hashem's running of this world with mercy. Revealed Kindness.

When The Geulah Shleimah will come about, those two names of Hashem will become united!

We'll see nature and miracles as the same exact thing! All that we'll see, will be realized by everyone to be merciful. The doings of The One and Only All Merciful Hashem!

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By: R' Moshe Hirschberg - Lakewood, New Jersey

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One time, while I was playing with my child, I covered his eyes so he wouldn't know where I was. When I did so, I immediately noticed how he slowed down and was functioning with much less energy than he had exhibited just a moment before. He couldn't freely go wherever he wanted once he couldn't see! Seeing is a billion-dollar gift from Hashem! Thank you, Hashem, for our eyes!

PROVEN BRACHAH

Mr. Charlie Harari says over that he one time was at a shiur from R' Shalom Arush, who told an incredible story about a couple who had come to him after

a decade of being married and still hadn't been blessed with children.

R' Shalom started telling them something, but then retracted, and just told them, "Brachah v'hatzlachah!"

"We have not come here merely for a brachah," they told him. "We came here because we want something that'll ensure us a



child, right away! Please tell us what you were going to say."

But R' Shalom told them, "I have no such answer. All I can give you is a brachah."

But after persisting, he turned to them and said: "Go into a room for one hour a day, and thank Hashem for not giving you child."

"What? Thank Hashem for that?"

"Yes! Thank Hashem for not giving you children."

"How can I do that?" the wife asked. "For the last decade, I have been crying myself to sleep. I can't walk the streets or go to the park from the intense

aggravation of being childless."

"Do you run the world," R' Shalom asked her, "or does Hashem? Hashem runs the world, and He knows what He's doing. Sit back and trust Him. He'll take care of you."

Hearing this, the two returned home and started doing as R' Shalom had told them to do. Although at first it was hard, over time it got easier until it became second nature. Within one year, R' Shalom was invited to be the sandek at their son's bris.

R' Shalom has a book of incredible stories of how people got unbelievable yeshuos through thanking Hashem. Before thanking Hashem for the "challenges," there's so much good to be thankful for. We must initially thank Him for the open brachah that we have in our life. Our relationship with Hashem shouldn't only be through thanking for the things that we lack. It has to primarily be from the brachah and enjoyment that Hashem showers on us daily, and the open miracles that we see through our personal life.

There is no one who won't start thinking about his daily life and won't see outstanding brachah from Hashem. It's just a matter of thoughtfulness. By thinking of the brachah, we'll see the brachah, and by recognizing the brachah, we'll be granted more brachah. The cy-

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cle will only get bigger and better.

OUR GEDOLIM

R' Yechezkel Abramsky was once staying at an inn overnight. From the other side of the wall, he overheard someone saying: "Thank you, Hashem, for my health. Thank you, Hashem, for my family. Thank you, Hashem, for my children," and so on. R' Abramsky was very interested in knowing whom this



person is.

The next morning, he approached the front desk and asked who his neighbor had been. The response? None other than the great Chofetz Chaim! What was the Chofetz Chaim doing? Thanking Hashem for all the brachah that he gave him in his life.

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REMEMBER:

Practicing Safety Saves Lives!



When Moshe Rabbeinu was first sent to order Pharaoh to release Bnei Yisrael, he was warned that his mission would appear, on the surface, to be an exercise in futility. Pharaoh would refuse to comply, and throughout the period of the ten makkos, Hashem would repeatedly “harden” Pharaoh’s heart, endowing him with supernatural strength to withstand the pressure of the makkos so that he could continue denying Bnei Yisrael their freedom. Why did Hashem do this?

Rashi explains (Shemos 7:3) that even if Pharaoh were to submit to Moshe’s demands, it would not be the result of wholehearted repentance. Perhaps Pharaoh would have released Bnei Yisrael from servitude due to the makkos, but in his heart, he would never have fully submitted to Hashem’s sovereignty. Hashem therefore chose to continue to harden Pharaoh’s heart so that He could inflict all ten makkos upon him and the Egyptians.

The Shelah Hakadosh (Torah Shebichsav, Parashas



Vaeira) questions Rashi’s explanation: Why was it necessary for Pharaoh’s heart to be hardened in order for Hashem to achieve this purpose? Even if Pharaoh had repented, Hashem would know that his teshuvah was insincere. Wouldn’t that

have been enough of a reason for Hashem to inflict the makkos upon him?

The Shelah explains that, in fact, Pharaoh was given these Divine infusions of fortitude in order to prevent a chillul Hashem from taking place. Indeed, Hashem could have punished Pharaoh for his lack of genuine teshuvah, but the rest of the world would not have recognized the fact that Pharaoh had been insincere. To observers, it would have seemed that Pharaoh had repented for his misdeeds by letting the Jewish people go, and the Divine punishment that he would suffer would have seemed to be unjustified. In order to avoid this chillul Hashem, Pharaoh was given the ability to continue defying Hashem’s commands, thus making his ultimate punishment understandable to the rest of the world.

Incredibly, we see that Hashem Himself goes to great lengths, as it were, to avoid even an unfounded chillul Hashem. Obviously, Hashem does not punish human beings without a reason, and if the nations of the world had “suspected” Him of a miscarriage of justice, chalilah, they would have been mistaken. Yet Hashem still saw to it that Pharaoh’s downfall came about in such a way that it was clear to the world that he was deserving of punishment.

If it was important to Hashem Himself to avoid not only actual wrongdoing, but even the suspicion of wrongdoing that may lead to chillul Hashem, then that is clearly a mandate for us to do the same in the course of our own lives.

The Shelah (ibid.) cites another example of the great care that must be taken to avoid a potential chillul Hashem: When the Jewish people sinned by worshiping the eigel, they approached Aharon and asked him to fashion the idol for them. Why did he comply? Chazal teach us that a Jew who commits the sin of avodah zarah is punished even if he sinned only in his thoughts (as opposed to other aveiros, for which Hashem punishes only for actions). Had the Jews not had an actual idol to worship, they still would have been punished for harboring thoughts



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of worshipping avodah zarah, but the non-Jewish nations would have wondered at the calamity that would befall them. Not being aware of the fact that they had fallen into the abyss of idolatry, those nations would have speculated that Hashem had brought a tragedy upon the Jewish people for no reason, perhaps because He lacked the ability, chas v'shalom, to bring them to Eretz Yisrael. In order to avoid this chillul Hashem, as baseless and unfounded as the non-Jew's suspicions would have been, Aharon felt that it was necessary for him to fashion the eigel hazahav, an act that was a transgression in its own right but that he still deemed preferable to the possibility of creating a chillul Hashem.

Chazal teach us (Yoma 86b) that we are enjoined to "publicize the chaneifim" in order to avoid a chillul Hashem. Rashi (ibid.) explains that "the chaneifim" are people who are actually wicked but pretend to be tzaddikim, and that Chazal direct us to expose these pretenders so that, when they are punished by Hashem



for their sins, others do not question Hashem's ways. The need to avoid chillul Hashem is so great that we are even taught to publicize the wickedness of certain people in order to prevent a chillul Hashem.

In the sefer Barchi Nafshi, Rav Yitzchak Zilberstein shlita relates that an influential Jewish man in another country once consulted him regarding a yeshiva bachur who had been sentenced to a lengthy imprisonment after committing a reprehensible act. The questioner felt that he could use his connections to secure the boy's release from prison. At the same time, the man's connections were still unaware of the case, and he feared that they were likely to conclude that all bnei Torah were capable of such deplorable actions.

Rav Zilberstein ruled that the matter should not be brought to the attention of these government officials, even though it meant that the bachur would have to languish in prison. Bringing their attention to the bachur's misdeeds, he explained, would be forbidden, and the Chazon Ish had taught that chillul Hashem is an even more severe offense than the three cardinal sins of avodah zarah, giluy arayos, and shefichas damim.

Most of us do not contend with issues of this nature on a day-to-day basis, but we certainly find ourselves in many situations in which there is a potential for chillul Hashem. How hard do we work to avoid desecrating Hashem's Name? How careful are we to see to it that our own actions are a credit to Hashem and that we do not create even the slightest trace of a negative impression? Let us take a lesson from the hardening of Pharaoh's heart and make the avoidance of chillul Hashem a goal of paramount importance in our lives.



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Rabbi Yosef Moshe Mizrachi

The other day I was listening to a Shiur, and the Rav was saying, "In chinuch one's goal should be to find the holy Neshama that each student possesses and to nurture and bring forth that special greatness! We don't need to impart something external to our Talmidim, rather all Jews already possess a Holy yearning for Hashem and they just need encouragement to bring it forth! When we view ourselves as inherently holy, we empower ourselves to act in that holy way! And the same works when we view others as holy we empower them as well!..."

After hearing the Shiur, I decided to go to Shul to look up some of the sefarim on this topic. I happened to pass by a friend of mine who I haven't seen in a few years. This was a casual friend who stuck me as a nice regular Yid. However after hearing such a Shiur, I just had to go over to say hello! A Yid is not 'regula' or 'okay', a yid is Holy!

We Shmuzzed and I asked what he currently does. He mentioned the name of the Rav, whose shiur I just finished listening to, and said that he works together with him in his Yeshiva tutoring and mentoring the Bachurim! I was overwhelmed by the Hashgacha!



Amazingly, as I was writing this article, another "average" guy in Yeshiva started shmuzzing with me. He slipped and shared that he needs to get back on track with a kabalah he made. I asked what his Kabalah was and he shared with me that when he was a Bachur in Eretz Yisrael he visited the Ramchal's kever and prayed that he should find his shidduch. He said that he will learn everyday something from the Mesilas Yesarim (Ramchal's classic Mussar Sefer). B"H he is now married and in Shana Rishona so it has been challenging to find extra time. But he is working on getting back into it!

I was blown away again at the Hashgacha from Hashem just when I was writing about the greatness of Yidden, my friend walks over to tell me this! I also witnessed a Yid's Real Emunah and pure desire to grow close to Hashem, wow!

May we all be Zoche to witness and appreciate the true Holiness of a Yid!
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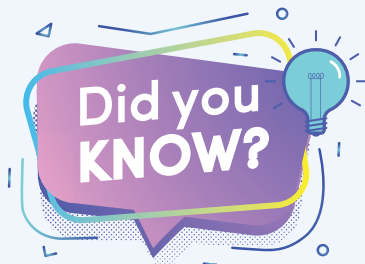


Yum! Yum! Yum!

But nothing compared to what's waiting for you in the next world!

By: Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

Did you know that the Nesivas Shalom, the heilige Slonimer Rebbe who Rabbi Yehuda Mandel always quotes, says that an essential part of Emunah and Bitachon is that you have to believe that there is no difference in how much Hashem loves you before you did an aveirah and after you did an aveirah. You have to always feel the same love from Hashem.



That shows that you have a healthy relationship with Hashem. That shows that you feel that Hakadosh Baruch Hu is your loving, caring, father and that you're His child, and that Hashem's love is unconditional. If a person says after an aveirah, "Oh, Hashem doesn't like me, He's unhappy with me," then chas veshalom, that means that the person don't have a healthy relationship with Hashem.

When someone thinks a friend is unhappy with them, they won't have positive feelings towards their friend, and they'll go in the opposite direction. So too, if a person feels that Hashem doesn't like him, he's not going to have positive feelings. When a person feels that Hashem doesn't like him, it's nothing more than the trick and trap of the Yetzer Hara. A person always has to say, "Whether I did an aveirah, before I did an aveirah, after I did an aveirah, Hashem loves me the same." That will bring you positive feelings towards Hashem.

That will make you connect to Hashem, and that will make you actually bring out your full potential. That will make the best you. So never fall into the trick and the trap of the Yetzer Hara, thinking that Hashem doesn't like you. Hashem always loves you the same! Always the same! Always the same!

As the Slonimer Rebbe said over, "If you can't go from doing the worst aveirah, to be able to go daven the next davening feeling Hashem's love and that He's still interested in hearing from you, it means that you don't know who Hashem is! Hashem always loves you unconditionally." The more you think about that, the more you will have a healthy relationship with Hashem; the more it will bring out the best in you; the more it will motivate you; and that will bring out your full potential. Only think positive thoughts!

Gold Mines

Based on the teachings of Rav Yehudah Mandel

By: R' Baruch Rosenstock

R' Mandel says not to get disturbed by who the leaders of countries are, because it's all the Ribono Shel Olam anyway. We



can see yeshuas coming out of any government! President Bush senior and President Nixon, who both weren't too friendly with Klal Yisroel, really res-

cued us during the Yom Kippur and Gulf wars.

Hashem can make the yeshua come from the worst leaders like Pharaoh in this week's parshah, who brought up the savior of Klal Yisroel, Moshe Rabeinu, in his own palace!

President Biden, who was always giving Israel the cold shoulder, certainly did a lot for Klal Yisroel during this war. Many European countries including Germany, and also Japan that don't have the best history are also pro-Israel during this war.

לִב מַלְכִים בִּיד ד', all the leaders are just puppets being programmed by the hand of Hashem.

MAZEL TOV!

Mazal Tov to R' Yisrael Eliezer Kaufman and family (Kiryat Sefer) on the engagement of their dear son Moshe to Rochel Mendelson (Kiryat Sefer)

Mazal Tov to that Zahn family (Yerushalayim) on the birth of a new baby girl!



This column is part of the "ASHER TO THE YATZAR" initiative, and is written as a *zechus* for a *refuah sheleimah* for my daughter (Esther bas Sara Miriam) a young mother who is undergoing treatment for the *machalah*, and for R' Yossi Hecht (Yosef Chaim ben Devorah Leah), founder of ashertotheyatzar.com. (Please take a moment to say a *perek Tehillim* for them.) If you would like to receive the monthly leaflet, please email ashertotheyatzar@gmail.com.

Shovavim Tat and Asher Yatzar

We are now after Chanuka, and being that there is an extra Adar this year, Purim is a long three months away. But not to worry - on the contrary! Since it is a leap year, we have a special opportunity for strengthening our connection to Hashem. The *Seforim* reveal to us that in a leap year we have the special days of *SHOVA VIM TAT*. This acronym, created by the first letters of the *parshiyos Shemos* through *Tetzaveh*, refers to the special eight-week period that we just entered, where a person can achieve great levels of *tahara*. Rav Chatzkel Levenstein would say (see *Ohr Yechezkel Emunah* page 245) that this is specifically through working on *emunah*. This is because when we read the *parshas hashavua*, those events occur again on a smaller scale (see *Shar Ruach Hakodesh 527* of Rav Chaim Vita). During this time of the year, Hashem is once again fortifying us with *emunah* through the Ten *Makkos* and *Krias Yam Suf*. We stand again at *Har Sinai* and see the purpose of the world through *Matan Torah*. And finally, He gives us the ability to keep that revelation with us by means of the *Mishkan*. Thus, these are weeks during which we clarify to ourselves that Hashem created the world and is still totally and completely in charge.

Besides for making sure to internalize the lessons of these *parshiyos*, there is another very important way to work on our *Emunah*. Rav Chatzkal says that we all believe in Hashem, but that is not enough. *Emunah* means that Hashem is so real to us that it changes every aspect of the way we live, so much so that we would be willing to give everything away for Him. The reason why it is so hard for us to reach this level is because we don't see Hashem with our eyes, and what we see in this physical world actually blinds us and hides His presence. But Hashem gave us the ability to "see" with our intellect and that can be even stronger than physical sight. We need to use our minds to "see" the presence of Hashem in this world, and make Him more real to ourselves.

Let us take Asher Yatzar as an example. A person who doesn't use his intellectual sight may view this a purely animalistic act. However, we, who have been working on bringing the *bracha* of Asher Yatzar to life, know that that nothing could be further from the truth! If a person uses his intellect, he realizes that the process of digestion is so complex that if not for Hashem's constant involvement he would be in serious trouble. After he "sees" Hashem's greatness, he will come to "see" Hashem's kindness, and involvement in his personal life. With a little thought a person can come to so much *Emunah* from something that most people in the world overlook! Let us put special effort to say Asher Yatzar during these weeks of Shovavim Tat in a way that it makes Hashem more real to us!

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BITACHON POWER!

BY: Rabbi Chayim Tzvi Blau
This week's Topic: "HASHEM NEVER FORGETS"



The Quote – The Lesson – The Story

A Meaningful "QUOTE" BASED ON the Sefer Chovos Halevavos "SHAAR HABITACHAN"

The Quote: "A Baal Bitachon knows that the Creator is being משגיח on his life and is not מסיח דעת from him at all. He knows that Hashem NEVER ever forgets about him! Nothing in the world is hidden from Him at all not big and not small. He knows that Hashem busies Himself כביכול with him and NOTHING can cause any forgetfulness by Hashem, not a הלא ידעת - אם לא-שמעת - אלקי עולם - ה' וכו' (ישעיה מ, כז) כי הוא זה

The Lesson: WHAT MAKES THIS SO INCREDIBLE AND AMAZING is that some people may think to themselves 'Who am I already? Does Hashem remember and constantly busy Himself with little me?! The answer is, says the Chovos Halevavos, that you are not little you! You are big you! Yes! Hashem busies himself with you! In a massive world with billions of people a baal bitachon understands and realizes that I am extremely important to Hashem! And Hashem is caring for ME and everything in MY life to the tiniest detail! This feeling alone could make a person shikur from SIMCHA! Any good deed you do will never be forgotten!



The Story: RAV YECHIEL MECHEL STERN SHLIT" A was once sick with a dangerous illness. His wife walked into the hospital one day and noticed that his face had a different look. Rav Stern told his wife the following, "I had a chalom [dream] where I saw a fellow who I used to visit 40 years ago. He came to me and told me that since I had helped him 40 years ago, I would fully recover from my illness." What happened? 40 years earlier, Rav Yechiel Mechel visited a helpless man whose family didn't care for him properly. Once, the fellow told Rav Stern that he needed a procedure done, but his family did not want to pay for it. During that time, Rav Yechiel Mechel had just published a sefer for Mosad Harav Kook. After receiving his paycheck, he immediately went to the hospital and paid for the man's surgery. When Rav Elyashiv came to visit Rav Stern he told him about the dream, and Rav Elyashiv told him that it is a Mitzvah to be mefarsem the story.

Part One

With The Love of G-d and His People

*After the 70 souls descended to Egypt,
B'nai Yaakov flourished and multiplied.
They became intrigued with the culture out-
side of their homeland
and lost protection when Yaakov Avinu, Yo-
sef HaTzaddik, and the Shvatim died.*

*Although the Mitzrim had relied on Yosef
HaTzaddik
to save them when starvation they faced,
now gratitude for all he had done
seemed nullified and totally erased.*

*Pharoh felt threatened that B'nai Yisrael
had become a mighty and imposing nation.
He enslaved them to make them feel tormented and
worn.
Much to his chagrin, the more tzaros he inflicted
the more Hebrew babies were born.*

*Pharoh posted: Your country needs you to rebuild
the cities of Pison and Ramsais!
All loyal citizens, the labor will share.
If you participate the way you should
you'll be paid fair and square.*

*It was a well-crafted plan, B'nai Yaakov were lured
into slavery with a well- conceived trick.
Slowly but surely, the Mitzrim disappeared.
Soon Yiddishe sweat and tears went into every brick.*

*Then Pharoh's astrologers made a prediction
and Pharoh ordered a new decree
to keep B'nai Yisrael's savior from being born
and setting the Hebrew Nation free.*

*He commanded that all baby boys
be thrown into the Nile and, chas v'shalom, be
drowned.
No redeemer could rise to save the Yidden
if, in all of Egypt, no baby boy could be found.*

*The spiritual leader of Klal Yisrael was Amram, the
grandson of Laivi Ben Yaakov.*



*He was a Tzaddik who had never sinned in his life.
When Amram learned of Pharoh's decree,
he decided to separate from his wife.*

*He was married to Yocheved Bas Laivi,
whose name means Glory to Hashem.
Born as B'nai Yaakov entered Egypt, she was
counted as the seventieth soul.
Their children were Miriam and Aharon
who would play, in the fledgling nation, a promi-
nent role.*

*Miriam was a Navia, only six years old,
but beyond her years, wise.
"Breaking up our families," she exclaimed "would
not find favor in Ha Kadosh Baruch Hu's eyes."*

*"The actions of Amram, the righteous leader will
prevail.
Emulated will be Amam's decree.
No boys will be born but also no girls.
With all due respect Dear Abba:
Won't that, chalilah, destroy Hashem's plan for our
destiny?"*

*"Pharoh is a rasha whose command
will soon become dust.
We need to remember Hashem's eternal prom-
ise.*

*In our Father in Heaven we must place our trust!"
Amram listened to his daughter and told the hus-*

*bands
that leaving their wives was a mistake.
They should remarry and continue to build
Torah families for Klal Yisrael's sake.*

*Using the names Shifra and Puah, Yoch-
eved and Miriam
defied Pharoh with their work as mid-
wives.
To preserve Klal Yisrael they cared for the
Hebrew newborns and their families,
at tremendous risk to their lives.*

*They were honored for their courage and
mesiras nefesh
for the holy babies they saved and tended.
The Shevet of Levyim and Kohanim from Yocheved
and the Shevet of Malchus from Miriam, descended.*

*Yocheved and Amram were rewarded with a baby
boy, perfect and pure.
With his birth, their home became light-filled.
Yocheved hid him as long as she could,
of course, ignoring the decree that all infant boys
be killed.*

*Then Yocheved made a basket
sealed with pitch and clay.
Miriam took it with her baby brother to the Nile
River
among the reeds, to gently sway.*

*Miriam was sure that her brother would be the sav-
ior
who would free B'nai Yisrael from Pharoh's wrath.
By Hashgacha Pratis she brought the baby to the
Nile
at the exact same time that Bas Pharoh arrived to
purify herself with a bath.*

*Confident that her brother would survive in his
makeshift crib
to fulfill his chashuv mission in the future,
Miriam waited patiently nearby to see
who would discover her baby brother?
What would occur?*

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Parshas Shemos



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Bas Pharaoh heard the boy when he gave a cry;
a Hebrew, in a basket, by the Nile's edge.
She vowed to raise him as her own child.
No longer will you be Bas Pharaoh, you are now
mine, was Hashem's loving pledge.

She named the boy Moshe
meaning she drew him out of the water.
She would raise him with devotion in Pharaoh's palace.
Hashem changed her name to Basya, G-d's own
daughter.

Could it be that the Hebrew who would speak face
to face with G-d
would drink the milk of another?
Baby Moshe went home to nurse from Yocheved Bas
Laivi, his own mother.

Within the heilige family of Amram and Yocheved,
safely returned from his small taiva at the Nile's
bank;
Moshe was imbued with what he needed to be the
redeemer.
With his mother's milk, the love of G-d and his people,
baby Moshe drank.

Part Two
The Outcry Of His Children
He Did Hear

Moshe grew up in the royal palace,
an Egyptian prince under Pharaoh's anti-semitic nose
but he was a Yid through and through
and would shepherd his people to freedom.
He was the Redeemer Hashem chose.

Observing the oppression of his brethren,
at the injustice, Moshe was irate.
He felt their agony and grief.
Rachmanus for every Yid was his core inborn trait.

When he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew slave;
with Ruach HaKodesh, Hashem's secret name to kill
him, Moshe said.
When the matter was known and Moshe's life was
in danger to Midian, Moshe fled.

B'nai Yisrael ached from back-breaking labor

and abuse beyond belief.
They longed for the death of the
evil Pharaoh.
Then Pharaoh died and there still
was no relief.

The Children of Israel davened
with all their hearts:
"More torture we can not survive.
Please, Tatty, take us out of Mitzrayim.
We're scared we'll never leave
this galus alive."

Hashem, the G-d Mercy,
the outcry of His Children He did

hear.
Elokim, the G-d of din, decided that
the time of our first exile had ended
and Pharaoh's punishment was near.

Like the Avos before him, in Midian, Moshe waited
to meet his wife at a well;
Pasturing his father-in-law's sheep,
Moshe enjoyed his days
communing with G-d and contemplating Hashem's
ways.

In the Midbar of Choraiv
where Moshe took Yisro's flocks to graze
Hashem introduced Himself,
in a most unusual blaze.

There was a thornbush, fresh and whole,
engulfed in a flame.
Moshe moved forward and heard
the Ribono Shel Olam call him by name.

"Moshe, Moshe," called Hashem.
"Hinaini," Moshe responded.
"Remove your shoes. Do not come closer to this
holy place."
I am the G-d of your father and forefathers.
Moshe was afraid and covered his face.

"indeed the suffering of Ami that is in Mitzrayim
raeesi and tzaakosom shamati
I have known the tyranny inflicted by their
slave driver's
and of their pain, machavov, Yadati."

"I will descend to rescue the Children of Israel and
bring them up to Eretz Tova ooRechava. Flowing
with Chalav oodvash is that land.
And now! I shall send you to Pharaoh
and you shall take My People out from
Egypt's hand."

"This is the Mountain of G-d,
a sign and proof that you will liberate My People
from Mitzrayim's grip.
You will bring B'nai Yisrael to this Holy Mountain
and here they will pray and worship."

"Tell the Children of Israel you were sent by

I Shall Be As I Shall Be."

Say to them: 'Hashem, the G-d of Avraham, the
G-d of Yitzchok, and the G-d of Yaakov has sent
me.'"

"Go and gather Zknai Yisrael
Say to them: 'the G-d of your forefathers. has
appeared to me.'

'I have surely remembered you and shall bring you
up from your affliction in Egypt, 'Pakod Pakadati'"

"Your brother, Aharon will meet you here
and in his heart he will rejoice.

I will teach you both what to say
and do.

You will be a leader to him
and Aharon HaLaivi will be your voice."

'You will take this staff in your hand so that with it
you will perform signs."

Hashem had prepared this staff for Yetzias Mitzrayim
on the sixth day of creation;
Passed down from Adam HaRishon, for Moshe's use
in bringing B'nai Yisrael's salvation.

With his wife, Tziporah, and their young sons traveling
on the donkey by his side,
Moshe began the journey to Mitzrayim.
The G-d of Yaakov was with him, his loving guide.

The time had come for Pharaoh to let Hashem's People go

and to end His Children's misery and cries.

Soon Pharaoh would learn Who is Melech

Melachai HaMelachim!

The cruel Pharaoh was in for a huge surprise!

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They'll be a great nation

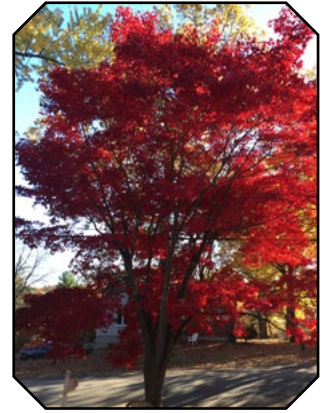
A light to the rest.

To Be Continued.....

With tremendous gratitude to Melech Melachai
HaMelachim who hears our cries and never forgets His
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A Faint Whiff Of Hashem's Unlimited Wisdom and Kindness

We spoke about how without speech our lives would be unrecognizably different, lacking so many of the basic things that we live with.

In Chazal, we find an additional depth in the lack of functionality that would evolve from the lack of communication through speech. People, instead of being an asset to each other, would turn into a danger – turn into an adversary.

This we find in the Medrash that Rashi brings down in Parshas Noach in regard to the Dor Haflagah. The Dor Haflaga rebelled against HKB”H – they built a big tower, and Hashem punished them with mixing up their languages. Rashi explains: one person would ask for cement, another person would give him a brick; they would end up killing each other. Not only does a lack of communication make unity not productive and useless, but we see from this Chazal that the lack of communication leads all the way to murder.

When people interact and work together, there are going to be different opinions and misunderstandings. But if a person has the ability to explain himself, difficult situations can be worked

out and resolved – or at least, it can be sufficiently diffused and it won’t escalate into an intense argument that can become life threatening. Without speech, people are not just lacking the advantages of interaction, but their interaction and proximity would be the cause of friction and danger.

In addition to all of the practical advantages that we receive from the ability to speak, speech and communication are very important functions in their own right. This is even when we’re not receiving new information or discussing anything important. HKB”H created people sociable.

It’s important for us to interact with other people. This is one of man’s basic needs; something he must have for his emotional health.

One of the harshest punishments given to captives and prisoners today is solitary confinement. It’s a punishment that’s greatly feared and also very effective in forcing people to bend to their captors.

Democracies that are restrained by law from using tor-

Answers for the Parsha Game page 19
Milk: Hashem promised to bring Klal Yisrael to land overflowing with Milk and Honey.
Gold Utensils: Hashem said that the Yidden will borrow gold and silver keilim from the Egyptians

ture to get information out of terrorists or using physical punishment to keep wild prisoners in line, turned to solitary confinement as the tool to do the job. Even though this is a passive punishment and doesn’t seem overly cruel, solitary confinement for more than fifteen days has been found to cause permanent psychological damage. Therefore, according to international law, solitary confinement for more than fifteen days is defined as torture.

Just like a human being must eat, breath and sleep – he cannot exist without these functions – a human being also must communicate with others. The ability to speak that Hashem gave us helps us be emotionally healthy.

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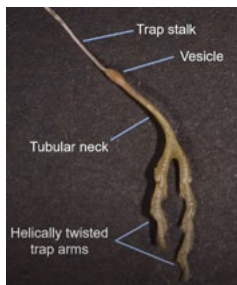


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Underground Genlisea (Corkscrew) Carnivorous plant.

Now we will explain a very different type of Carnivorous plant. This plant is called the Genlisea plant and it has a nickname of the corkscrew plant (and the Eel plant) simply because the part that the bugs go into are shaped very similar to a corkscrew. (I have just one more Carnivorous plant to write about, then we will BE" H move on to other extremely amazing Nilfous Haborei!)

So, here's how it works. The part of the plant that does the insect eating is all underground. It also acts as roots for the plant acting as an anchor for it.

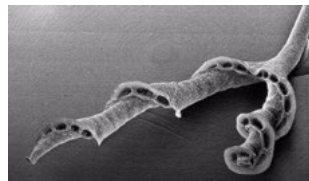


If you see the pictures, you will have a much better idea of what I am writing. The leaves on top (not in the picture) are out of the water and below the leaves is the trap stalk which is the "rope" connecting the top and the bottom.

Now let's jump down to the bottom of the picture since the part of the trap that catches the insects are from the bottom, working their way up to the final destination of the vesical. The Helicallly (it means spiral shaped) twisted trap arms (see picture) are where the insects get in. This trap doesn't need any colors or scents to attract in-

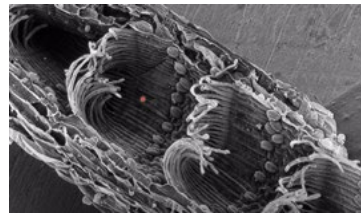
sects since it's in the earth where there's plenty of insects and other very small living creatures that it can capture without those lures. Hashem doesn't waste any material where it's not needed.

In the next picture you can see where in the twists are the holes for the creatures to enter.



Once they enter, they are forced to go in a one-way direction. How's does that work?

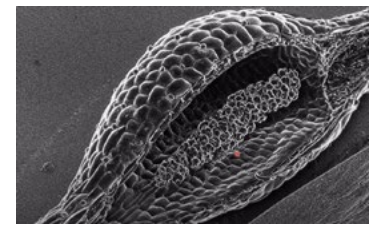
As you can see in the next picture, there's specially shaped hairs that allow the insect through, going up towards the vesicle, but they can't go back out the way they came



in since the hairs don't allow it. It's like a one-way door. So, with no other choice they continue on their way and eventually get to the tubular neck which then leads to the vesicle area. In the vesicle area are special Quadrifib glands that secrete the digestive enzymes. The vesicle is typically full of digestive fluids around the clock. The creature enters the vesicle area and is

quickly suffocated and the digestion process begins. Once digested, the nutrients are absorbed in the walls of the plant and sent to the places where they are needed. This is the process in a nut shell.

So, here we have a totally new method of capture. Once again, we have the brainless plant coming up with unique methods of



capture, and then retention of the prey it has captured. This method of the one-way hairs is a very well "thought-out" plan that no accident could have thought of. Then of course it needs to know how to actually make it happen. Then there's the vesicle digestive area.

As we have mentioned in previous articles about carnivorous plants, its mind boggling how all these unrelated plants can somehow make special glands to emit special super complicated enzymes that can properly digest the prey that it has caught.

These are miracles right before our very eyes!! מה רבו מעשיך ה' How great are Your works Hashem!!

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THE MIRACLES INSIDE YOUR SLICE OF BREAD

By: Mordechai Solomon

Recap: The many miracles that's in your slice of bread.

1. The seed has all the bits and pieces of information to produce more wheat which is needed in the production of bread.
2. The seed stays fresh and does not rot so you can gather them and plant a whole crop's worth.
3. Soil is only found on earth.
4. Soil is the perfect environment for the seed to grow.
5. The soil is a natural habitat for ants to live in and also for the inchworm.
6. The ant is an amazing creature that constantly is making holes in the ground. It tills the ground because Hashem put into its nature to constantly look for food.
7. The inchworm bores bigger holes in the ground which is also a form of tilling the ground.
8. Vegetation grows in the ground.
9. The soil also produces all different types of vegetation.
10. This so happens to be the perfect food for the inchworm.
11. After it eats, the food goes through an amazingly complicated digestive system.
12. The inchworm's body produces waste.
13. The waste is very good fertilizer for the soil to help the growth of the wheat.
14. When the worm dies, it decomposes and is good fertilizer for the plants.
15. Different germs and bacteria grow in the soil to improve the soil for the growth of the plants.
16. The seed reacts with the water to start to decompose.
17. This enables that the water should continue to make the seed rot.
18. Water is made of two gases.
19. The soil is a cool atmosphere.
20. Soil is porous allowing it to absorb water which is a necessity for the seed.
21. This causes the seed to decompose when you put the seed in the earth.
22. No matter how the seed is placed in the soil, the root goes down.
23. The stem goes up no matter how it is placed.
24. The plant survives on rainwater.
25. The ocean is full of salt water which cleanses the water from impurities.
26. The sun shines on the water.
27. The sun is millions of miles away and yet it has an effect on earth.

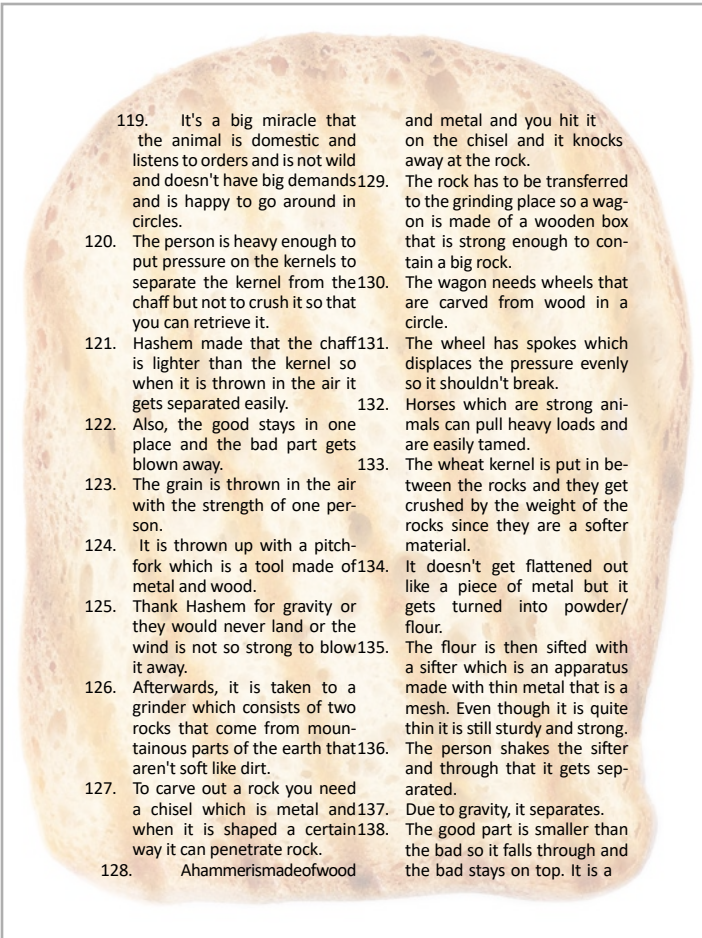


28. If the sun would be too close it would burn the earth.
29. If the sun would be too far, the world would freeze.
30. The sun is a ball of gases.
31. The sun constantly gives off heat by chemical reactions.
32. The molecular structure of water is so that when it gets hot, it starts to change.
33. The water turns into water vapor.
34. Water vapor is lighter than air so it rises.
35. The sun sets in order to let the earth have a rest and certain insects work at night.
36. The earth spins in a cycle which causes the sun to set.
37. It is in constant motion never stopping.
38. Everything in the world is stationary and the movement is not felt.
39. The moon an orb in the sky.
40. It has a certain cycle.
41. It reflects the sunlight.
42. It has an effect on the moisture of earth which is necessary for growth.
43. The earth spins in an angle so that sometimes it is closer to the sun and sometimes it is further.
44. The sun has a force on the earth.
45. This causes all different seasons and climates.
46. During the cold season the earth stops producing as much giving a rest to the earth enabling it to give off a better crop.
47. There are many dust particles in the air.
48. When the water rises, it leaves over all the salt and dirt from the ocean.
49. The water combines with the dust particles.
50. It starts to accumulate into a cloud.
51. Cold air sinks.
52. Hot air rises.
53. The difference causes air current.
54. The wind blows inland.
55. The clouds move inland.
56. The cloud gets heavy with water.
57. The cloud releases the water.
58. Gravity brings down the water to the earth.
59. There is a negative cloud.
60. There is a positive cloud.
61. When they rub together they make lightning.
62. Lightning travels to the ground.
63. The lightning has tremendous heat.
64. The air has in it a gas called nitrogen.
65. The lightning makes a chemical reaction with the nitrogen making nitrites.

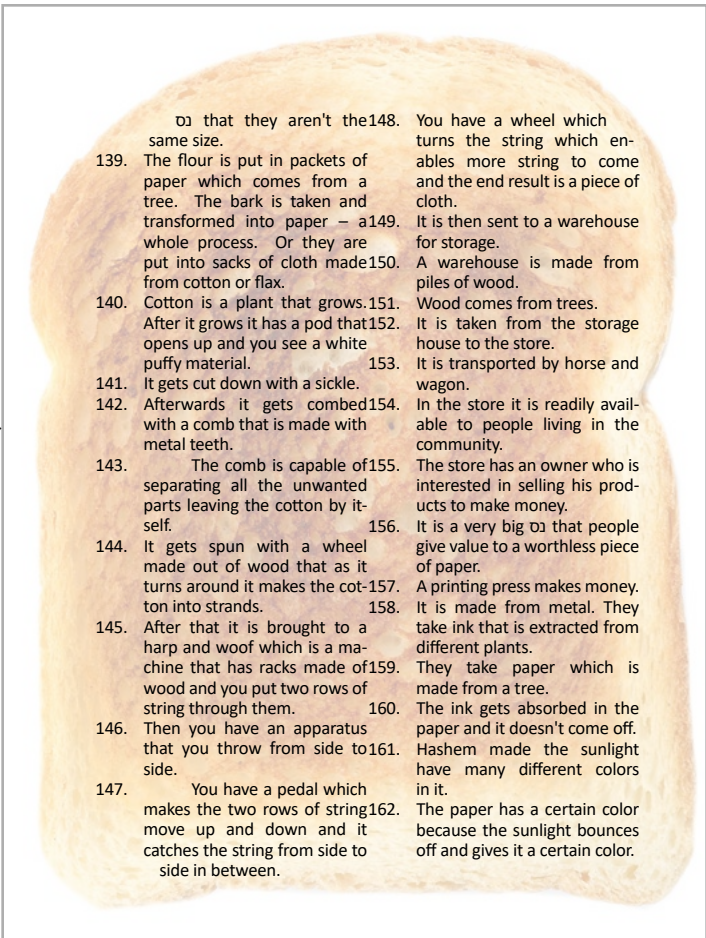
66. The nitrites are a very good fertilizer to help the growth of the plants.
67. The stem starts to push itself out of the soil.
68. The sunlight has energy.
69. The plants know how to absorb the energy.
70. The plant turns green called photosynthesis.
71. As the plant grows the roots also grow in order that the plant shouldn't fall down.
72. The roots absorb the water.
73. The roots send water to the whole plant.
74. The roots send water to the whole plant.
75. The leaves send energy to the whole plant.
76. Carbon dioxide is made up of two different elements.
77. The leaves absorb the CO2.
78. The leaves give off oxygen as byproduct. When all the CO2 in the vicinity of the plant gets used, how does it get more? The wind blows new air with CO2.
79. There is a constant production of CO2 because animals breathe out CO2.
80. When they breathe in oxygen, the by-product is CO2.
81. The rains come only certain times during the year.
82. These times are beneficial.
83. and are the exact time the plants need water.
84. The amount is not too much to drown them.
85. It doesn't come too forcefully.
86. It doesn't come too little for the plants.
87. Sometimes it comes like small needles to penetrate the ground.
88. It doesn't keep on pouring which would also drown the plants.
89. The plant stem starts to rise straight up and it is elevated from the ground enabling it to be cut easier.
90. They grow in a straight line so they don't get tangled.
91. Very bendable to they don't break in the wind. The leaves absorb the nutrients and bring it down to the roots.
92. Each one miraculously knows how much to give to each part of the plant.
93. After the stem reaches a certain height it starts to produce the grain.
94. The grain is on the top where it can get the most sunlight and not be affected by the shade of the stem.
95. They grow in the spring when the sunlight starts increasing because it is necessary to have a lot of sun.
96. The field is full of green



97. stalks of wheat when they become ripe they give a sign changing from green to white what a miracle that the plant knows that a person sees different colors.
98. Now comes the time to harvest and you need a sickle to cut the wheat. A sickle is made of metal, which is found in the earth mixed with impurities.
99. When the metal is heated with extreme heat then the impurities go out because they burn out and the metal is left over. This is a miracle that the metal doesn't burn out and the other stuff does.
100. You can mold metal any shape you want.
101. The metal dries and becomes hard.
102. The stalks are very soft, not hard, so without great difficulty it can be cut, not like a tree that needs a lot of time to cut. (A miracle that these things need to be used on a constant basis are easy to cut or pluck).
103. Metal becomes very sharp in order to cut it.
104. It's also very strong so it doesn't break.
105. The sheaths of wheat are very light in order that you can bundle it and transport it.
106. Flax is a plant that grows from the ground.
107. Their stalks can be used as string.
108. String enables one to tie the sheaths and transports them easily.
109. The sun dries them out and can stay as kernels a long time without spoiling.
110. The kernel is made up of (at least) two parts, the grain and the shell (chaff) which is made to protect the kernel from spoiling.
111. Hashem made the kernel that it can be easily removed by rubbing it vigorously. The way it was done it was put on the floor and you put a piece of wood on top of it.
112. Wood comes from a tree that grows very tall and has a big trunk that is quite strong unlike the stalk of the wheat.
113. The wood can be carved in different shapes without breaking and it is made into ridges to press on the wheat kernels.
114. The man stands on the wood and hold onto straps which hold onto an animal that goes around in circles etc.
115. The straps that the man holds onto are made of leather.
116. Leather comes from the hide of an animal.
117. Leather is formed by a process called tanning and it is very durable and lasts a long time.
118. Salt is used for tanning.
119. Salt is made of two gases.
120. Eventually it dries and becomes ready for use.




- 119. It's a big miracle that the animal is domestic and listens to orders and is not wild and doesn't have big demands129. The rock has to be transferred to the grinding place so a wagon is made of a wooden box that is strong enough to contain a big rock.
- 120. The person is heavy enough to put pressure on the kernels to separate the kernel from the chaff but not to crush it so that you can retrieve it.
- 121. Hashem made that the chaff is lighter than the kernel so when it is thrown in the air it gets separated easily.
- 122. Also, the good stays in one place and the bad part gets blown away.
- 123. The grain is thrown in the air with the strength of one person.
- 124. It is thrown up with a pitchfork which is a tool made of metal and wood.
- 125. Thank Hashem for gravity or they would never land or the wind is not so strong to blow it away.
- 126. Afterwards, it is taken to a grinder which consists of two rocks that come from mountainous parts of the earth that aren't soft like dirt.
- 127. To carve out a rock you need a chisel which is metal and when it is shaped a certain way it can penetrate rock.
- 128. Ahammerismadeofwood




- 139. The flour is put in packets of paper which comes from a tree. The bark is taken and transformed into paper – a whole process. Or they are put into sacks of cloth made from cotton or flax.
- 140. Cotton is a plant that grows. After it grows it has a pod that opens up and you see a white puffy material.
- 141. It gets cut down with a sickle.
- 142. Afterwards it gets combed with a comb that is made with metal teeth.
- 143. The comb is capable of separating all the unwanted parts leaving the cotton by itself.
- 144. It gets spun with a wheel made out of wood that as it turns around it makes the cotton into strands.
- 145. After that it is brought to a harp and woof which is a machine that has racks made of wood and you put two rows of string through them.
- 146. Then you have an apparatus that you throw from side to side.
- 147. You have a pedal which makes the two rows of string move up and down and it catches the string from side to side in between.
- 148. You have a wheel which turns the string which enables more string to come and the end result is a piece of cloth.
- 149. It is then sent to a warehouse for storage.
- 150. A warehouse is made from piles of wood.
- 151. Wood comes from trees.
- 152. It is taken from the storage house to the store.
- 153. It is transported by horse and wagon.
- 154. In the store it is readily available to people living in the community.
- 155. The store has an owner who is interested in selling his products to make money.
- 156. It is a very big **ו** that people give value to a worthless piece of paper.
- 157. A printing press makes money. It is made from metal. They take ink that is extracted from different plants.
- 158. They take paper which is made from a tree.
- 160. The ink gets absorbed in the paper and it doesn't come off.
- 161. Hashem made the sunlight have many different colors in it.
- 162. The paper has a certain color because the sunlight bounces off and gives it a certain color.

♪ הזן את העולם כולו בטוב!!! ♪




163

The person brings the flour to his house.




164

You take the flour and put it into a bowl of wood.




165

You add water which comes from a faucet in the house.




166

The faucet is a hollow tube made of plastic or metal.



167

It goes to the house from under the ground where it connects to very big pipes.



168

It goes until a water plant that is connected to reservoir which is body of water.

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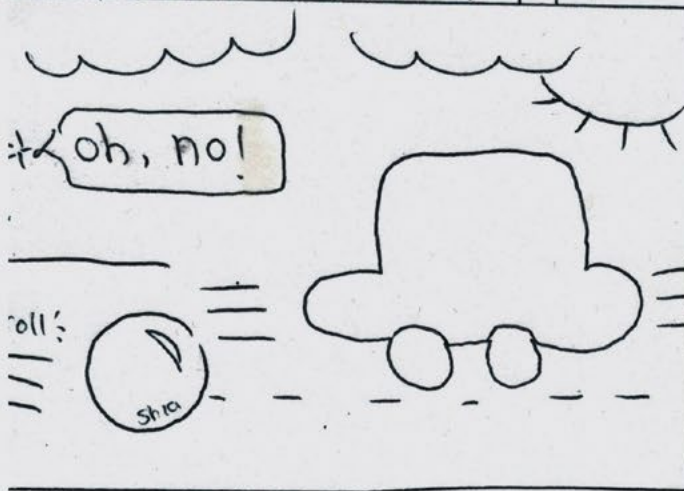
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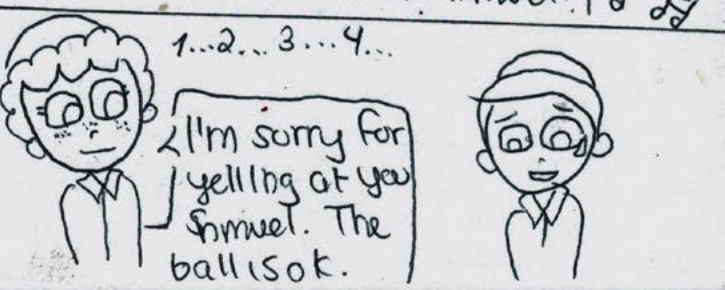
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HAVE FUN!!! THE **צ'ינ** HOME!



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How do you keep a bagel from running away?
 You put a lock on it!

Unscramble

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**Rav Avigdor Miller Speaks
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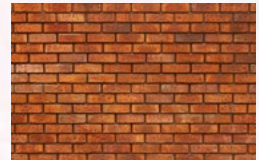
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"If you would ask a wall for a favor and the wall doesn't respond will you become angry at the wall...."

Whenever you ask a human being a favor you are actually



Rabbi Zevy Golombeck - A Life with Bitachon

We continue our Ahava Rabba column by looking at the many ways we can pump people up. We can mimic Hashem who showers us with tremendous love by sharing our love with other people. This week we look at the idea that we can pump people up at all times of the day! Just like we eat three times a day I try to think about pumping people up at least three times a day! We can set reminders for ourselves three times a day to pump at least one person up by saying a compliment to them, giving them a Brocha or telling them we are thinking of them.

I learned this from my aunt A"H who recently went to be next to Hashem in the Olam Haemes. My aunt A"H was my role model in Ahavas Hashem, Ahavas HaTorah, and Ahavas HaBreiYos. She truly held up the world as it says Al ShlosHa Divorim Haolum Omed: Al HaTorah, V'al HaAvoda, V'al Gemilus Chasodim. My aunt exemplified these three ideas! She pumped people up who learned Torah by encouraging them and making sure they had what they needed to be able to learn. She was so pumped to be close to Hashem. This past Sukkos when I went to Eretz Yisroel to visit her although she was physically very sick, her Ahava for Hashem and people was as strong as ever. Her face shone as she Davened each word clearly. Then she was thanking Hashem for the many gifts He gives her. She was busy pumping me up saying how special it was that I came to visit her. Her focus was always on pumping others up.

Story:

My aunt A"H moved from one tiny one room apartment to another tiny one room apartment in Yerushalayim. A few Bochrin came over to help her move. She was marveling at how good Hashem is to her that she has this new (tiny) apartment because it has an extra inch here and an extra inch there and there are windows in this apartment where she can see Hashem's gorgeous world. She was so joyous, thanking Hashem and spreading love that a Bochur remarked, "today we do not need a Mussar Seder. This special person was our living Mussar example."

She loved pumping people up. One week, a bochur came to eat by her Friday night. He remarked that her challah was so delicious. He shared that he was a little homesick and her challah reminded him of his mother's challah. The next week the bochur was so surprised to see that he had a package at the dorm from my aunt. Inside the package was her delicious warm challah. He felt so cared

for, pumped and special.

My aunt A"H was such a big giver and liked to give everything to others and make people feel good. She had a kind word for everyone. She once remarked that she made a meal for herself that came out tasting delicious. Since it was so delicious, she decided she would give the whole meal away. In this way she pumped someone else up so they could enjoy it, and feel loved and cared for.

She sold cakes to Bochrin to try and make a little money. She sold it for very very cheap. However anyone who did not have money, she just gave away her cake to them free of charge. To my aunt A"H more important than money was pumping people up and making them feel good!

She was once in a temporary apartment locally for Pesach. She was making Pesach and a nephew stopped by. She pumped him up and then she wanted to gift him with something. She opened the cupboards but they were empty. So, she took her cooking oil and she said "here take this oil and enjoy".

We can learn from my aunt A"H that pumping people up all day includes giving of our smile, of ourselves, and thinking about other people. May all the things you do to pump people up be a zechus for my beloved special Aunt A"H.

Idea:

It's so easy to share love with other people.

- If someone is having their first day at a new school, new job, or new Chaburah, you can let them know you are thinking of them!
- If someone babysat for you and did a great job, you can tell the parent how much their child helped you!
- When you pass other Yidden on the street smile at them and wish them a great day!
- Think of someone you didn't talk to in a while. Try to send them a text or give them a call to say "I am thinking about you."
- When your child arrives home from school tell them that you were thinking about them at a specific time of the day. For example, "At 12:30 pm I was thinking about you". If you do this a few times then while your child is having lunch at 12:30 pm in school, they may re-



member "oh it's lunchtime and mommy is thinking about me now." There is a great feeling for a child to know they are being thought about. You can do this with a spouse as well by letting your spouse know you were thinking about them at a specific time of day.

Song:

Tune:

Shabbos is coming:

We are so lucky were going to sing

We are going to sing and shout out loud

We are the children of Hashem

Hashem loves us and we are so proud!

High:

Let's dance the hora- we love the Torah

Let's spin and spin - we love all the Yidden

Let's dance again - we love Hashem

Tell it to the world- we are a chosen nation!

Let's jump up and down - we love the Mitzvas

Let's turn around - we love Shabbos

Let's clap near the ground - we love Hashem

Tell it to the world – we are chosen nation!

As an adult, I try to sing this song all the time! I try to change up the motions or dance steps as I sing this song. This creates a function called expansion. When we add



change to something while we are singing, it helps solidify the feelings associated with it. The more times we sing and add a small change, the more neural pathways we have connected to what we are doing. This

helps it become more integrated into our beings.

Feeling Hashem's Love!

We can feel Hashem's love around the globe!

I was in Miami last Shabbos and it is usually pretty warm in Miami so I left the air conditioner on pretty low for Shabbos. Friday night it was really freezing in my room. My zipper on my sweatshirt broke earlier that day and I didn't have another one to use to warm myself. I said, "It's not the air conditioner that makes it cold in the room - it is Hashem. Hashem can make it warm." And all of a sudden it was nice and warm in the room. Later the smoke alarm started beeping, and I did not want to go down the eight flights of stairs (I was on the eighth floor)

to get someone to shut it off. I just asked Hashem to take care of the alarm and it went right off. Since I love spreading how much Hashem loves us, on Shabbos morning, I was telling these stories to somebody that I never met before who was at the Shul's Kiddush. The person is originally from Vienna. She said that she had a story of her own: Once, while she was driving, her GPS wasn't working and then she asked Hashem to make it work and then it worked.

Later, I saw Hashem's love once again as I was walking and all of a sudden something from a bird dropped from overhead. This dirt missed me by a quarter of an inch. Hashem made the bird's droplets miss me so I was not caused discomfort. I felt so loved by Hashem!

AHAVAH RABBAH

HeartTsharing:
Sharing our love with others

Dr. C.F. Yakoby PhD LCSW



I took this picture on my walk! Can you think of ten different places in nature that you can thank Hashem for? For example: a valley, an ocean, a forest, a garden etc. Can you imagine you are in that place? What do you see in that place? What do you hear in that place? What do you smell in that place? What are you touching while you are in that place?

Creating a game of finding the beauty in Hashem's gorgeous world helps us solidify the experience, thus making it a real part of us.

Text your story of how you pumped someone up to 732-523-4824. Texting means you give permission to have your story included in this column. Texting does not guarantee your story will be in the column. Disclaimer: All information is for educational purposes only. For any medical or mental health advice contact a healthcare professional. Thank you to my parents and family for always pumping me up and being there for me! Thank you, Hashem, for showering me with daily love and kindness in millions of ways.

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illuminating Words of Chazal

"Everything about Hashem, His Torah and His world is supposed to bring out positive emotions and help us have a healthy relationship with Hashem."
Rav Yehuda Mandel

the lomdus? Why is it that when a person is learning Torah, he can't die? The answer is because Hakadosh Baruch Hu is the source of all chaim. Va'atem hadveikim baHashem Elokeichem chaim kulchem hayom. Whenever a person clings to Hashem, automatically he's going to be davuk to chaim. Torah is the way that we cling ourselves to Hashem. Torah is the marriage; it's like the ring Hashem gave us. Torah is how we cling to Hashem. So as long as you're learning Torah, you're clinging to Hashem. If a person is clinging to Hashem, Hashem is the source of chaim, so if you're touching the source of chaim, automatically a person is going to live.

When Harav Hagaon Hagadol Harav Aharon Leib Shteinman came to America the first time, everyone was so excited; everyone was so happy. When he came to Lakewood for a few days, and he went all over Lakewood speaking, everyone was running around to see him. My Rebbi said over that a Hatzalah member said that they

didn't get any phone calls that day, no hatzalah calls. My Rebbi explained that Rav Aharon Leib Shteinman was davuk to Hakadosh Baruch Hu, and when everyone was being misdabek to Rav Aharon Leib, they were being misdabek to chaim. So that's why there was a shefa chaim. When you are misdabek to Torah, you get more chaim in your life, more bracha.

Therefore, Hakadosh Baruch Hu said that when a person is learning Torah, He won't take away a person's life, because you're being misdabek to chaim. That's how Hakadosh Baruch Hu runs the world.

However, if Hashem want something to happen, obviously Hakadosh Baruch Hu has ways to make anything happen. So, when Hakadosh Baruch Hu wanted to take away Dovid Hamelech's life, He made it that he wouldn't be able to learn that second, He made a whole setup.

The bottom line is that Hashem is running the world. Hashem wanted Dovid Hamelech to be niftar. It was good for him to be niftar, so Hashem made it that he wouldn't be able to learn that second. Hashem has ways to make anything happen, but Hashem set up the world that if you're learning, then that will give you chiyus.

Q. The gemara Shabbos 30b says that the Malach Hamaves couldn't take away Dovid Hamelech's neshama because he was learning Torah. There is a similar gemara, Bava Metzia 86a, about Rabba bar Nachmeini.

We hear many times on 'A Life with Bitachon' that there is no such thing as the Malach Hamaves; it's all Hashem. How could it be that Hashem can't take away the neshama when the person is learning Torah? Hashem can do anything.

A. The answer is that of course Hakadosh Baruch Hu can do everything and anything! However, Hakadosh Baruch Hu said that Torah is matzil umagein. Since Hashem said that, so that's why Hashem wouldn't take away Dovid Hamelech's neshama while he was learning. Now what's

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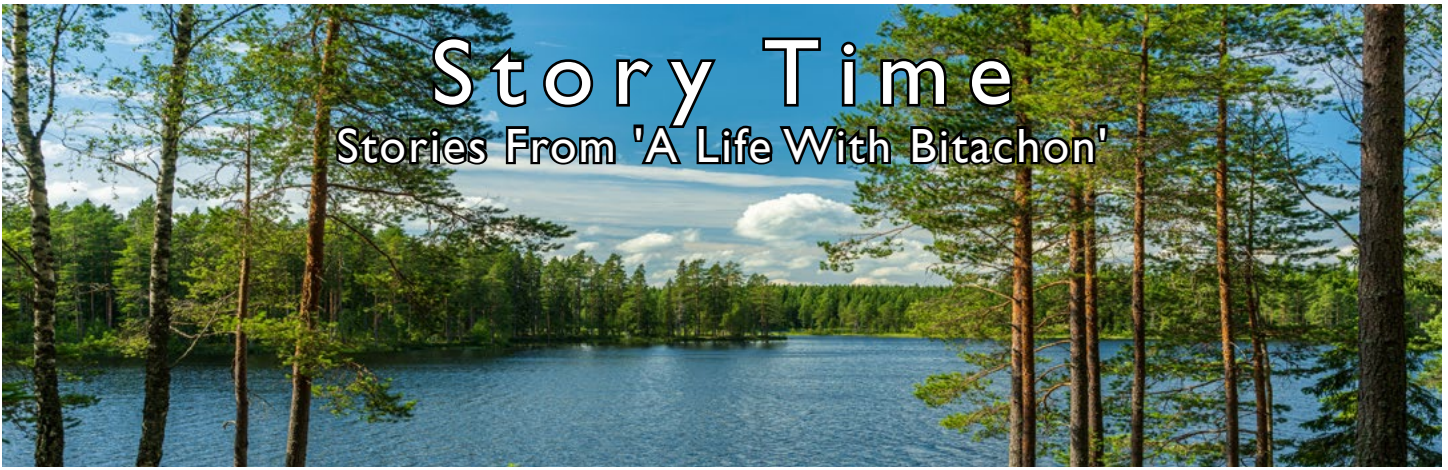
Sit Back and Relax!

Have No Worries & Have No Fears!

Hashem is Taking Care of You!

Story Time

Stories From 'A Life With Bitachon'



1698- This story was called in by my very chashuva friend, Yehoshua Leib Kenarek. He said that there was somebody who was trying to get through the front door, but the door was jammed. The lock was broken. Nobody was able to get it open. Everyone was trying this and that but to no avail. It wasn't budging. it wasn't moving. Everyone was coming to try, one after another. They tried for over



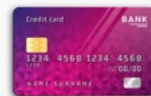
one hour! Nothing happened.

Then his wife came and said that she has the master key! She said, "My master key works whether the lock is broken or not. Do you know why? Because my master key is called Ein Od Milvado. It's Hashem that's the one in charge of opening the door. For Hashem it makes no difference if the lock works or the lock is broken. For Hashem, there is no such thing as a lock!"

With that, she took a knife and said "Ein Od Milvado!" Right then, the door swung open as if there was no issue and no problem!



1699- This story has been called in by my very chashuva friend, Aron Apter. He said that he was looking for his bank card for a few hours. He checked his whole entire house from top to bottom, but it was nowhere to be found. He was at a loss! What should he do now? He really needed the bank card right away.



Then he said, "One second. Up until now, I was the one busy searching and looking for it. Now, instead of me searching for it, let me leave it up to Hakadosh Baruch Hu, the Ribbono Shel Olam. He's Hakol Yachol! Hakadosh Baruch Hu knows where it is, and He could give it to me just like that." Within ten seconds of thinking this way, he looked under the table, and in between the top of the table and the leg he saw his bank card! His little son must have stuck it there. He got his bank card in no time, exactly what he was looking for! ❖

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Q. I have a child who's a good boy, but he never caught on to learning Gemara. I feel bad that he doesn't fit into the system.

A. The reason you feel bad is because you think 'the system' means: what's good for other people. But you have to understand and realize that 'the system' really means the situation that is good specifically for your son. And since Hashem put him in his current situation, that means that this is the very best for his tikkun haneshama.

Q. My son recently got married. It's apparent that he was never taught the correct way a husband is supposed to treat his wife. I tried a few times to tell him the basics of how he

should be treating his wife, but nothing I said is having an impact on him. As his mother, I want my son to thrive, and it bothers me to see him acting the way he does.

A. In Novhardok they taught that whenever a person finds that something is bothering him, he should zoom into his emotions and ask himself, "What's really bothering me?"

Over ninety percent of the time, we will discover that what's bothering us is that our kavod is hurt. In your case, too, it's true that you want to see your son thrive. But deep down, what's really bothering you? You're concerned, "What's my daughter-in-law going to think about

me; what type of chinuch did I give my son? My daughter-in-law is going to look down at me."

Therefore, the first thing you have to do is to internalize, "Hakavod Hevel Havalim. I don't serve people; I serve Hashem. I will do my hishtadlus to help my son improve as best as I can, but I don't care what people think about me."

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Hakol Yachol!

My name is Avrumi Barkin and I live in Jackson, New Jersey. For a few days in a row, I was trying to get a video about the Bais Hamikdash off the computer, but it wasn't going. It wasn't working. After a few days, I decided to say 'Hakol Yachol.' I said it few times but without so much concentration. Then I said it with a lot of kavana, and it worked! Thank you for your amazing newsletter.



Everything is from Hashem

This is the Tzucker family. Our baby wasn't feeling so well and he woke up in the middle of the night crying. He wasn't stopping. We took him out of the crib, but he didn't want to play. He wanted to eat nosh and go outside but it was in the middle of the night! We didn't want to take him outside and give him all those things. We just wanted him to go back to sleep.



After two hours, we decided that it was time for him to go back into the crib. He was crying and crying and he didn't want to go to sleep. I was reading the Spring Hill Times while I was trying to put him to sleep. I thought I should start singing "Hakol Yachol." Within two minutes, he fell asleep! No more crying! I was thinking as I was singing the song, that my baby is not the one who will make me stay up late. Whenever Hashem wants me to go to sleep, I'll be able to go to sleep. Nothing to do with him. It gave me a lot of chizuk, so thank you very much!

Niflaos Haborei Bring Ahavas Hashem

This is Mrs. Greenbaum from Manchester, England. Thank you for your amazing, amazing paper which brings so much simcha to us! We're telling everyone about it. It is such a beautiful thing to read; such oneg Shabbos! I just wanted to share something. We planted a packet of mixed flower seeds in the spring in our small front garden. It's absolutely amazing to watch the development; how each seed develops into another kind of beautiful flower. When the



flower falls off, we see how the seeds have developed. We then collect the seeds. Each day, we go out into the garden and we see what's happening. We thank Hashem for such a yummy, happy, beautiful, wondrous world. Watching closely the development of flowers brings one to such ahavas Hashem. I just wanted to share it. I highly recommend it! Hatzlacha raba!

Hashem Opens Eyes

My name is Shana Ribman. I was working in a summer day camp for the whole first half. I was working really, really hard, including changing diapers; it was a lot of work. During the hours, after the hours, it was always tons of work. At the end of camp, we got paid. My friend and I split the money.

Later, I couldn't find most of my share of the money. I was missing about \$700 dollars; a big sum of money. I was very upset because I really worked very, very hard. Now after all my hard work I was left with only \$300? It was very frustrating for me.

I decided that I'm going to say that it's up to Hashem, and do my hishtadlus. I said tehillim and I gave tzedaka.

Right after I gave tzedka, I searched the same places that I had already searched so many times before. The money was just there! It was such



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hashgacha pratis! I really saw Hashem's hand. All you need to do is show your appreciation a drop more; give tzedaka! Even though it was only two pennies! Two pennies saved me 700 dollars! Thank You, Hashem!

Hashgacha in the Seforim Store



I print out the Spring Hill Times and I give out about ten to fifteen copies every week in the shul that I go to. My children love reading it and it's very geshmak. Thank you very much! It gives us a lot of chizuk!

I was going to the country for the summer. I had started learning Maseches Rosh Hashana about a month or two previously. When I came to the country, I wanted to buy a Mesivta Gemara, Rosh Hashana, Chelek Alef. I arrived at the country Thursday, and Thursday night I went to the store in Woodbourne. Most of the stores in the country don't bring up their whole stock to the country, so they have a limited selection. I went to the backroom to look through all the mesivta gemaras. There were piles, piles, and piles. I came to the last row where they had the gemaras for this seder. I only saw one masechtas Rosh Hashanah, and it was Chelek Bais. I was looking for Chelek Alef. There were a bunch of shelves of sefarim, so I decided that I'm going to look again. So I went through all the sefarim again, one by one. I searched carefully, and again I didn't find it. I said to myself, "I'm going to mechazek in Emunah and Bitachon, and hopefully I'll find the Gemara that I'm looking for." I thought to myself: "The Ribbono Shel Olam wants me to learn Torah. He wants me to have the Gemara." I was mechazek in Emunah and Bitachon, and I went back. I told myself that I'm going to go through each Gemara individually. So I started slowly, one by one. I went through the whole wall. There was no Rosh Hashanah Chelek Alef.

Meanwhile, another person showed up in the store and was looking through the mesivta gemaras. Now,

the aisles in the back of the store are very crowded and very narrow. You can't pass so easily. After I finished looking through the gemaras I said, "Okay, I didn't find it," and I wanted to leave. I couldn't walk down the aisle because it was too crowded. So I walked around to the next aisle, and my eye caught a box that looked like there were mesivta gemaras in there. I looked inside the box. They taka were mesivta gemaras!! I started pulling them out to see if I could find the Gemara I wanted. One by one by one I took them all out. The last gemara in the box was a maseches Rosh Hashana Chelek Alef!! This is just the beginning of the story...

When I got to the cash register to pay, I was a little impatient, because I was in a rush. Somebody walked into the store holding a blue Artsroll. He came to the counter and put it down. The person behind the counter started talking to him. I decided I wasn't going to interrupt. Turns out that this gentleman had bought this gemara earlier that day or the day before. He told the cashier that the sticker in the gemara says a different price than what he paid for. He paid five dollars too much, and he was asking for a refund. The cashier said, "Thank you for coming in. The price that I charged you is really the current price. I have stock here from years in the past, so the old price is many times on the label. I do honor the older price if the label has it." So he proceeded to give the gentleman back the five dollars.

After the gentleman left the store, the cashier told me, "I want to tell you a story. Hashem always helps me make sure that I don't steal from people. A few years back, I had a bachur who worked for me; he was an alte bachur, and he worked for me for about six or seven years. After six years of working for me, he begged me to teach him how to roll up mezuzahs l'halacha. So, eventually, I showed him how to do it. The day after I taught him how to do it, I went to New York to pick up something. When I came back the next day, this bachur told him that he sold a bunch of mezuzahs while he was gone. I asked the bachur to please show me

how he rolled the mezuzahs. So he showed me, and it was taka wrong. I was so distraught. In those days, the receipts had the person's last name on it, and the person paid by credit card. I was on the phone the whole Friday morning trying to locate the person. I wasn't matzliach. Earlier, my wife asked me to go to the grocery to pick up something for Shabbos. This was unusual, because I never went to the grocery; my wife took care of all the shopping. I left the store and I forgot about the grocery stop; I went back to my bungalow. When I got there ten minutes later, I realized that I hadn't gone to the store. I turned around and I went. When I came into the store, someone came over to me and said, "Oh, I missed you at the store yesterday. I went to buy some stuff." I asked him, "What did you buy?" He said, "A bunch of mezuzahs!!" I said, "Really? Baruch Hashem!" I went to his house and unrolled, then re-rolled, all of the mezuzahs. If my wife hadn't asked me to go to the store, I never would have met him. In addition, the fact that I went home first, and I was delayed, caused me to meet this fellow at the store. It was such hashgacha that I was able to fix the problem!"

I said to the cashier, "You should know, I read the Spring Hill Times. When I read it, I'm always amazed that when a person has proper Emunah and Bitachon, Hashem makes things happen for them. You're telling me this story of hashgacha, I just had a story now with hashgacha!" I told him the whole gemara story. As I was telling the story, there was another person who was standing behind me. He was the one who had been blocking the aisle. He heard the story, and he said, "You know, I'm also looking for a Rosh Hashana Alef gemara!! I wasn't going to ask because I figured that you didn't have it! Now that I heard this story, I'm going to ask you if you have another one!" The cashier went looking in some other boxes, and he found the gentlemen another Rosh Hashana Alef gemara!!

Thank you so much for all the chizuk that you provide.

Ezra Bergman, Lakewood, New Jersey



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