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This week's issue is dedicated as a Zechus for our brothers and sisters all over the world and especially in Eretz Yisrael and those in captivity. Our Minds and our Hearts are with them. May Hashem Protect, Heal, and Comfort all of Klal Yisrael!

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CAUSED SUCH AN UPROAR IN HEAVEN"**  
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*This week's issue has been dedicated as a zechus for yeshuos for our family and for the entire Klal Yisroel!*  
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## Emunah and Bitachon News

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### A VISA DESPITE EVERYTHING

A Yid in Eretz Yisrael related:

I deal with helping people get US visas. One day, a bachur came over to me and



asked me to arrange a visa for him immediately. That same day, this bachur's mother called me and said, "My son came and asked you to take care of a visa for him. I am begging you – do whatever you can to make sure he does not get approved for the visa. Unfortunately, he has left the proper path, and I am very worried about him. If he leaves Eretz Yisrael he's liable to lose the last shred of Yiddishkeit left in him. I just don't want him to intermarry!"

Who could stand the tears of a Yiddisheh

mother asking to save her son from falling into the pit of Gehinnom? I promised I would do everything I could. I couldn't refuse to help the bachur, but I assisted him only in technical matters, without advising him what to do.

On his application he wrote that he was unmarried, and in the American consulate they don't like allowing bachelors to enter the U.S. He also wrote that he was looking to make money, something that also made it very improbable that he would get ap-

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**NOBODY HAS EVER DEFEATED KLAL YISRAEL!  
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KLAL YISRAEL!**



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ר' שלמה זלמן בן ר' ישעיה זצ"ל





Continued proved, because Americans  
from front don't like poor people. The  
page bachur took the documents



he'd prepared and, quite unexpectedly, the visa was approved.

The boy's mother left no stone unturned. She called me and told me she was sending a messenger to pick up the visa for her son, and he would make marks on it and ruin it, so it would be invalidated.

The messenger came to take the visa, but I told him, "That bachur was here before you. He came on his own and took the visa."

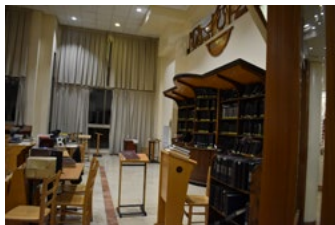
The family members were very hurt. The mother was totally crushed. She had been working so hard to protect her son as much as she could, and here it seemed that she was not seeing any siyata d'Shmaya. Her son got the visa in a totally unnatural way.

In the end, the bachur went to the U.S. and met up with some special yungeleit. They took an interest in him, spoke to his heart, and gave him chizuk. They would not give up on him, and with extreme dedication, ahavas Yisrael and a feeling of achrayus, they helped him to do teshuvah and get back on track.

Several months passed, and his mother called to tell me, "My son wants to come back to Israel, and I fear he will meet up with his old friends and will be drawn to them again, chalilah. Please, do everything you can so that he will not be able to get back to the country..."

[Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

**SHAAR HABITACHON OPENS UP GATES**



Everything was going along splendidly. I was learning in kollel, and the stipend went into my bank account every month without any problems. Then one month, Rosh Chodesh came and the stipend did not appear in my account. In addition, the government's child allowance that I was accustomed to receiving was cut down as well, to about 300 shekels less than I had been receiving previously. I thought that I must strengthen myself in emunah and bitachon, and I decided to start learning the daily limud of Shaar Habitachon in Chovos Halevavos.

The next day, an avreich approached me and asked me if the stipend for my children had been cut down. "Yes," I re-

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sponded.

"Does your wife work?"

"No."

"Someone gave me a sum of money for you," the avreich responded.

He took out an envelope and handed it to me.



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A moment later he began to walk away, and I tried to catch what was going on and asked him, "Since when do they give out money here?" "Don't ask questions," he responded. "Take it. It's yours."

When I got home, I found a message was waiting for me from the kollel, that the stipend would go into my account in the coming days.

And what about the cut in the child allowance? Three hundred shekels each month is not a paltry sum. Hashem took care of this for me as well, with chessed and rachamim.

In my kollel we have an option

to commit to a more stringent learning program, and I really wanted to be accepted into that program. Exactly then, I was accepted into the program, for which they pay 300 shekels more than for the standard kollel program.

I had opened the Shaar Habitachon, and the gates of bounty were opened up for me.

[Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

**SHTREIMEL YESHUA**

There was an excellent bachur who had succeeded in yeshivah ketanah and yeshivah gedolah, and now he had come of



shidduchim age. He traveled to Lizhensk and said the entire sefer Tehillim as a zechus to find his zivug quickly.

A year passed, and he was still a single bachur. Again he traveled to Lizhensk. He poured out his heart and finished the whole sefer Tehillim. Another year passed, and his yeshuah was delayed. From year to year his tefillos became more desperate, more pained, the tears

poured out and came up from the depths of his bitter struggle, and yet...proposals came and went, and nothing moved; there was no hope on the horizon.

The tenth time the bachur came to Lizhensk, he was already thirty years old. At that time there was no one else at the tziyun. The bachur cried out emotionally, "Rebbe!" he cried, "for ten years I've been coming here. My friends came only once and were immediately helped, while I come here year after year with the strongest emunah that I'll be zocheh to siyata d'Shmaya in the merit of the Rebbe. This is it. I can't do this anymore. Ad masai? I'm letting you know that the next time I come here, I'll be wearing a shtreimel!" That's what the bachur screamed



from the depths of his heart, and he concluded his tefillah, his face awash in tears.

At the time there was a chassidische Yid who lived in a small moshav and thought to himself that his children were getting older, and if he wanted proper shidduchim for them, he should move to Yerusha-

layim in order to enable people to get to know him and make shidduchim with him. He started looking into rental apartments, and for some reason was unsuccessful



**WHEN YOU SEE ANOTHER YID:**

**Ignore his type of hat**



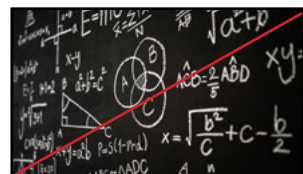
**Ignore the color of his shirt**



**Ignore the style of his shoes**



**Ignore his level of intelligence**



**Don't accuse! Don't judge! Don't convict!**



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in finding one. Time after time, different matters held him back from signing. One time the price was too high for him; another time, moments before he signed a contract, someone else came and signed; another time, for some unknown reason, the owner did not want to sign a contract with him.

He told his problem to a friend who lived in Yerushalayim, and this friend told him, "I just saw an advertisement for an apartment for rent in Sanhedria Murchevet. Try speaking to the owner of the apartment." He gave him the phone number, and indeed, it was a wonderful apartment in a great area.

"This dirah has been waiting for you for a long time," the owner told him. "For several months it's been empty and I haven't been able to rent it out. This is really strange, because it's an excellent apartment in a sought-after location. It seems totally miShamayim that it was held back from everyone else so that you would get it."

The Yid from the moshav settled in Yerushalayim and went on to the next stage – seeking a shidduch for his daughter. Several shidduchim were suggested for her, but none worked out. At a certain point, this older bachur who went every year to daven in Lizhensk, was suggested. The proposal went over nicely, and the meeting between the bachur and the girl took place in the home of a neighbor – a family named Weisblum.

While the meeting was going on, the girl's father got a call: "I'm only telling you this for your own good," the caller told him. "I think you're making a mistake marrying off a young girl to a thirty-year-old bachur. I really don't understand you. Call it off now, before it's too late." The father was very confused. He'd actually thought the bachur was very suitable, but the call gave him cold feet, and he almost canceled everything.

A minute before taking that fatal step, he related the phone conversation to Rav Weisblum, the neighbor who was hosting the meeting between the young couple.

Rav Weisblum responded, "As you know,

I've seen all the bachurim that were suggested to you, and I'm telling you – this bachur is the most suitable for your daughter. Totally hand to glove. As soon as I saw him, I felt that this was it!" His good words had an effect, and the shidduch was closed with mazal tov.



The couple was married b'shaah tovah, and they have lived happily with great joy to this day. The neighbor who helped close the shidduch, Rav Weisblum, is a direct descendant of Rav Elimelech of Lizhensk, ben achar ben, and the next time the bachur traveled to Lizhensk, he indeed came with a shtreimel! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

**BITACHON BRINGS PARNASSAH**

R' Kaufman approached his friend in kollel for advice. "What should I do?" he asked. "Since Yom Kippur, my wife hasn't received any salary from her work."

"Learn emunah; learn bitachon," his friend advised him.

"Do you have a sefer I can borrow?" he asked.

"Yes. I have a kuntres – 'Beis Halevi – Middas Habitachon.' Learn from it and you'll see brachah."

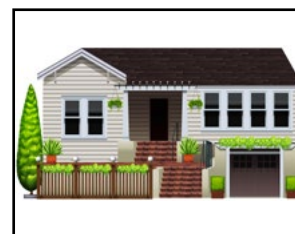
For the first two weeks, he learned from the kuntres inconsistently; some days yes, and some days no. After those two weeks, he decided to learn it systematically. From that point on, he determined, he would learn the kuntres every day without fail, delving into the daily page.

The decision worked out well on Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. Then on Wednesday, in the middle of the night, at 4 a.m., he woke up and re-



**WHEN YOU SEE ANOTHER YID:**

Remember that he is part of your family!



Notice his smile!



**SEE BEYOND THE SURFACE!**

See his holy Chelek Elokaï m'ma'al- his glowing Neshama!



Accept him and love him to pieces!



called suddenly that he had not yet learned from the kuntres. It wasn't easy to get out of bed, but he was determined to keep his kabala. He washed his hands, said birchos haTorah, opened the kuntres, and learned for two minutes before returning to bed.



The next day, his wife received a call from work to let her know that most of the sal-

ary she hadn't received over the past few months had been deposited in her account.

It happened specifically on that day, following that night when he had truly demonstrated his commitment to learning about bitachon. [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

A student from the Cheder of Passaic shared a heartwarming story about the Bob-over Rebbe.

During an airport ordeal with his passport and boarding, a diligent official went above and beyond to assist and expedite the process successfully.

When asked about his exceptional effort, the official revealed that his father had been a mailman in Boro Park, and he vividly remembered how the Rebbe unfailingly offered him a cup of coffee whenever he delivered the mail to their home. This small gesture left a lasting impression on the official who had deep respect for the Rebbe. (Living Kiddush Hashem Foundation)



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

Narrator: I heard this story from Daniel himself. Whoever doesn't believe it can call the number on the screen themselves and hear it directly for themselves.

Daniel: We were at a party, 12 friends together. One and a half hours prior to Shabbat I had a really bad feeling. After Yom Kippur I had accepted upon myself to keep every Shabbos until the end of Simchat Torah. And this was supposed to be my "last" Shabbat keeping it, it's what I promised Hashem. I said to myself, I MUST keep my word like a real man.

So I told my friends that I was going to leave and I begged them to come with me – at my expense. I'm talking about a group of us that not one is Shomer Shabbat.

Seven of my friends agreed to come with me and taste a bit of what it means to keep Shabbat.

I quickly did a search on "booking" and found an apartment in Asheklon. The owner offered to take care of getting us catered

food as well, so I booked. We left and got to this apartment just 30 minutes before sundown.

That night (of Shabbos, Simchas Torah) I had a dream. A childhood friend of mine named Yitzchak ben Yosef from Yerushalayim, who drowned in the Kinneret in 2017, came to me in my dream and said to me: Daniel! Just know that what you did caused such an uproar in Heaven that ONLY because of your adherence to Shabbat, you were saved!

In the morning, we were awakened by sirens, but I did not yet know the [full extent] of the meaning of my dream. Later, when we heard about the massacre, I understood beyond a shadow of a doubt how I am ALIVE and not dead! To my great sorrow, of my 5 friends that stayed behind (at the party), I went to three of their funerals... and 2 were taken as hostages to Gaza...

And today, of course, I and my friends, who saw before our eyes the power of keeping Shabbat are continuing to keep it...because more than what we do, Shabbat protects us."



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By R' Yisrael Meir Ehrenpreis

# WEEKLY NEWS ROUNDUP

## Hashem is the Best Party Planner!

### Feeling Hashem's Endless Love!

Rav Golombeck had the most amazing encounter with a very chushuv Yid, Shmuel, who works as an electrician, and he goes around fixing electricity in people's houses. He told Rav



Golombeck that three years ago he went to fix the electricity by a youngster by the name of Efraim Rosen.

While he was at his house, Efraim had 'A Life with Bitachon' playing on speakerphone. Shmuel was blown away by the Emunah and Bitachon! He asked for the number of 'A Life with Bitachon', and they ended up schmoozing for over one hour! He didn't wind up going to anybody else that day. He was just so amazed by Emunah and Bitachon.

He said that ever since that day three years ago, he has been following 'A Life with Bitachon' every day, and it has changed his entire life. He told Rav Golombeck, "Right now, I'm making a Simcha." (His child's aufruf.) "Instead of caring all the time what type of impression I'm making, being scared of this person or that person, trying to please and impress everybody, I say that I

am here just to impress and please Hashem. It's so easy to please and impress Hashem. Everything is from Hashem, and everything is perfect! Hashem is running the simcha and Hashem is making the simcha!" He said he was able to be so calm and relaxed with a smile! He never believed

he could make a simcha so stress and worry-free! Just like having a party planner, he saw how Hashem was taking care of everything from start to finish and everything in between!

(R' Zevy Golombeck)

## Parnassah is from Hashem!

### Feeling Hashem's Endless Love!

R' Dovid Weinstein's\* grandparents were brought up with the hashkafa that in order to be successful in life, one needs to go to college. You need money in order to support your family. College, college, college.

R' Dovid was brought up with everything is: Torah, Torah, Torah, Emunah



and Bitachon, and that Hashem takes care of us.

When he was getting married, they asked him, "Nu? Does she have a good job? Does she have a degree? Does she have anything?" He said, "No, no, no." They said, "Who's going to support and take care of you." He said, "I have an idea."

They answered, "Well, how do you know she will be successful?" His response was, "I don't know, I didn't think about those things; I left it up to Hashem."

R' David's wife has a friend who had built a very successful business but was finding the workload too much to handle, so she decided she was going to give away the company. She said to R' Dovid's wife, "I'm offering it to you first." And just like that, his wife took over the company. Usually, it takes years to build up a business, but she got it all in one second!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

## One Nation!

### Am Yisrael- The Most Amazing Nation!

Eitan\* lives in America. He works in the emergency room in a hospital. Because of the war, he wanted to go to Eretz Yisrael to help



out. He wanted to work in the hospital there in case anyone came in wounded and needed his help. When he arrived in Eretz Yisrael, he saw many other American volunteers.

They said, "Baruch HaShem, there are not too many casualties; we don't need more doctors!" Despite being at war, they were able to make do with their regular staff without any extra help.

He just went back home.





Some of the other doctors he knew were sent to work on the farms due to the shortage of farmers caused by the war. Doctors became farmers! Klal Yisrael is just amazing!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

**Yidden Love Each Other!**

**Am Yisrael- The Most Amazing Nation!**

R' Yisrael's Braun\* was called into his boss's office. His boss told him, "Even though you're a great worker, you're not for my company. We don't see eye to eye; I don't like the way you do things. You need to find a new job."

Nevertheless, the boss who fired him gave him a whole goodbye party. He gave him a \$1,000 bonus to show him his appreciation and how much hakaras hatov he has for him. Yidden are amazing. Even though he had to fire him, he gave him a thousand dollar bonus!



After losing his job, R' Yisrael was anxious and nervous. "What's going to be with parnassah?" Then he realized, "It must be that this job was poison for me, and Hashem has better plans!" Right afterwards, he found a better job that offered much more money.

It was better in every way imaginable!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

**Hashem is Amazing! Klal Yisrael is Amazing!**

**Am Yisrael- The Most Amazing Nation!**

It was Erev Shabbos and Mrs. Lieber\* needed a cleaning lady to get her large house ready for Shabbos. Her usual cleaning lady canceled on her and she had no idea what she was going to do. So she said, "Hashem, I don't need a cleaning lady. You're the One who is in charge."

A little while later, she heard a knock at her door. It was her neighbor's two daughters. They asked, "Can we help you?" She said, "Why are you asking?" They said, "We finished cleaning for Shabbos very early, and we wanted to know if anyone else needs help." With that, two girls helped and did a much better job than the cleaning lady!



They did it quicker and smoother!

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

**The True Source of Parnassah!**

**Feeling Hashem's Endless Love!**

Yoni\* from Eretz Yisrael was working in a business where they started compromising on Halacha. He called his Rav and told him that he didn't want to be in such an environment. His Rav told him, "You know, there are heterim," but Yoni told his Rav, "I don't need heterim, I work for Hashem, and I know Hashem wants me to be l'chatchila!"

His wife was so happy for him that he wanted to quit his job.



They said that they were just going to live with Emunah and Bitachon now. They feel so close to Hashem that they took themselves out of a nisayon. They see money coming from Hashem! Yoni said that it's just such a good feeling to realize parnassah doesn't come from a job rather from Hashem!"

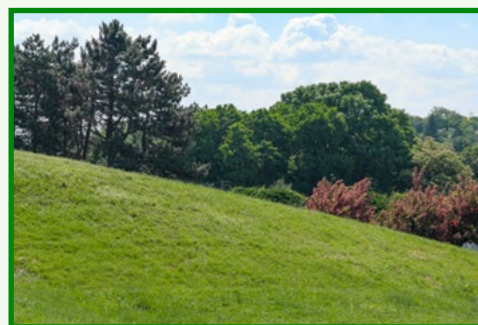
If it's compromising in Halacha, then I don't want to work there."

"Madreigos of Yidden in today's generation!"

[R' Zevy Golombeck]

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**Klal Yisroel Is Coming Back Home To Hashem**

There's a yid in Eretz Yisroel who hadn't worn tefillin for 53 years. He



now started putting on tefillon every single day! He now davens birchas hashacher and he washes negel vasser. We can only imagine the great happiness in shamayim.

**"V'ameich Kulom - Tzaddikim"**

**Non-Jew Is Nice To Yid**

R' Shmuel is an elderly yid. He took a non-Jewish taxi to shul. The taxi driver helped him out of the car and walked him into shul. He spent 15 minutes helping the yid, all with a smile! All without pay!



**"Ki Ani Hashem Elokecha Machzik Yeminecha"**

**Hashem Saves Man's Life**

Mrs. Tauber reads the Spring Hill Times from cover to cover. She read

the ahavah rabba column, and she was singing to herself the Emunah and Bitachon song that was in the column. As she was singing it, she received a phone call from her husband. He told her that he was in the basement, stuck in the boiler room. He had gone in, and the handle of the door had broken off, and he was not able to get out.



He was starting to suffocate; there was no air in there. He was banging on the door, but no one was able to hear him. In the past, he never had reception in the basement, and he was never ever able to make phone calls. But this time, when he called, he got through to his wife, and she was able to let him out!

Mrs. Tauber thought to herself that this may have been in the z'chus that she was singing the Emunah and Bitachon song.

**"V'Haboteiach B'Hashem Chessed Y'sovivenhu"**

**Man Turns to Hashem**

R' Avrohom's family was growing, and



he needed to buy a new high-riser, but he did not have money to buy the high riser. So he turned to Hashem, and he said "Hashem, I'm leaving it up to you. I'm giving you the bill." Fifteen minutes later, his mother called him up and said, "Someone just called me that they're giving away a free high-riser. They wanted to know if I know anyone who needs one. So I said, 'My son.'" With that, R' Avrohom received a free high-riser, delivered to his door!

*In other news:*

**Woman from NY Trusts in Hashem**

Mrs. Hess from Brooklyn, NY was looking for a bottle of Tylenol. She searched all the cabinets, all the closets, in the bedrooms, and in the seforim shrank, but she could not find it.

So she turned to Hashem, and she said "You're the Kol



Yachol, you're the only one that can find it for me." She then went back to one of the cabinets that she had already looked in before, and there it was, staring in her face!

**"Boruch Hagever - Asher Yivtach B'Hashem"**

## Hashem Feeds Family

Rabbi Berkowitz is a rebbe in a yeshiva. He did not have a penny to his name, and he was not able to even buy food for his family. He would bring home bread from yeshiva, and that's what his family ate for breakfast. He would bring home the left-over lunch, and that's what his family ate for supper.

One day, his wife turned to Hashem and said "Hashem, I have a family to feed. My shelves are empty. I'm not able to cook suppers. I'm leaving it up to you to help me."

Not long after that, her husband came home with thousands of dollars. He used to work in a different

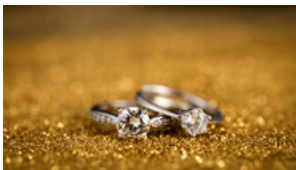


yeshiva that had already closed down. The head of that yeshiva had met her husband and told him, "I made cheshbonos, and I saw that I owed you thousands of dollars. Here's the money!"

**"Einei Chol - Eilecha Yisabeiru, - V'atu Nosein Lohem - Es Ochlom B'eetu"**

## Hashem Hears Our Tefillos

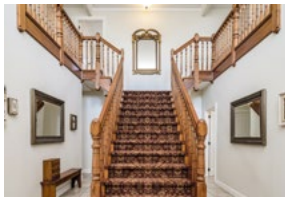
Harav Elyion, a rav in Detroit reported that there were two people who had daughters in shidduchim. They were not getting any suggestions. They started davening for each other - and both of their daughters became kallos on the same night!



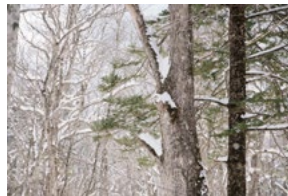
**"Baruch Shomeia Tefilla"**

## Hashem Is Watching Over Us

Mrs. Friedman from Brooklyn, NY was with her cheder yingel standing near the steps. Suddenly, her boy fell down the entire flight of stairs. Boruch Hashem, nothing happened to him!



In other news, a woman from Brooklyn, NY was taking her baby out of the car. Suddenly a branch fell from 20-30 feet high up and it hit her shoulder.



The branch broke on impact. It just missed her head and her baby's head by inches!

**"Hodu L'Hashem Ki Tov - Ki L'olam Chasdoi"**

## The Best Mussar Seder

R' Zevy from Lakewood, NJ was in a driveway trying to back out, but there was a car behind him blocking him. The driver was just sitting there for 5 minutes. R' Zevy did not get angry, he just sat there patiently!



**"V'hoser Kaas - M'libecha V'haaver Raa M'bisorecha"**

**All You Need to Do Is Bring Hashem Into the Picture**

Mrs. Horowitz was out of a job, and she was searching for a new one for a very long time. It became very frustrating for her, and she was not able to continue looking for a job. Her husband asked her if she listens to a Life with Bitachon. She said, "No." He told her to start listening.



She started listening to the hotline. The first day that she listened, while she was listening, she got a click, and someone called her with a job offer! It was the perfect job for her and it started that day!

**Thank You, Hashem!**

**"Vhaboteach b'Hashem chesed yisovivenu!"**

## Man Gets Ready For Mashiach

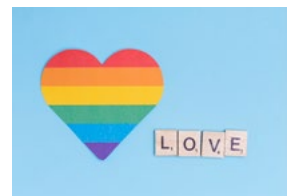
R' Yosef, a yungerman from England, was walking down the street. He met a Rav who was very happy and excited. He asked the Rav why he was so happy. He told him, "Because Mashiach is almost here!" The Rav told him that he just went to a suit store and bought himself brand new suit to wear when he greets Mashiach!



**"V'af al pi sheyismameah im kol zeh achakeh lo b'chol yom sheyavo!"**

## Yidden Love One Another

Mrs. Fried's daughter got divorced. After she got





divorced, R' Fried called up their mechutan and told him that even though their children are not a match, they can still live b'shalom! They update each other with simchas, and they attend each others simchas. They live in total peace! We can only imagine the great nachas ruach they're giving Hashem!

**"Lo matzah Hakadosh Baruch Hu kli machzik bracha ela hashalom!"**

### Woman Trusts in Hashem

Mrs. Shwartz needed an orthodontist to work on her teeth and her insurance denied her coverage. It was going to cost her thousands of dollars. She decided that she was going to apply again, and this time



she was going to trust in Hashem that it was all up to Him! The dentist told her that she was wasting her time, and that she was not even close to getting approved. She sent in the application, and this time they approved her!

**"Baruch hagever - asher yivtach b'Hashem!"**

### Machine Works With Bitachon Button

R' Chaim Berkowitz from England has a dryer that does not turn on. In order for it to turn on, they need to first sing "Hakol Yachol" and then press the button. Then the dryer turns on! This has happened time after time.



**"Yisrael btach b'Hashem ezram umaginan hu!"**

### Hashem is Running a Perfect World.

Mrs. Weinberg, when she was alive, loved saying "Keser Yitnu Lecha" in Mussaf of Kedusha of Shabbos and Yom Tov. She always made sure to be in shul for them, and if she ever would miss it, she would be very disappointed. On her matseva they wrote that she was "machtir Hakadosh Baruch". It was recently her yahrtzeit. She's buried

in Tzfas, and her grandchildren went to visit her kever.

Afterwards, they decided they would make a yahrtzeit seuda in a local restaurant. After they finished eating, before they bentched, one of the grandchildren suggested that they should start singing the song of Keser Yitnu Lecha.



As soon as he said that, the background music of the restaurant started playing the song of "Keser Yitnu Lecha". Nobody heard him say it. He was sitting in the back and the music was on automatic. It was coordinated perfectly to the second by Hashem.

**"Veyasu kol leavdecha... viyitnu lecha keser melucha".**

### Open Hisgalus Hashechina.

Reb Simcha, a yungerman from Monsey, New York was preparing shiur. He was learning the "Toras Kohanim"



who darshans the word shlamim, "bizman shehu shalom v'lo bizman shehu onein".

He knew that there's a gemara somewhere that brings the same drash but he had no idea where. He was about to start looking when he heard someone else in the beis medrash all of a sudden say that Gemara. The person was not learning out loud, just those words he said out loud.

Reb Simcha quickly went and looked

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where the gemara was, and it was in Zevachim 99b.

**"Gal einai v'abita neflaois mitorasecha".**

**"Umala Ha'aretz - De'ah es Hashem"**

The prime minister of Eretz Yisrael was captured on camera singing together with other people, "Ani Ma'amin Be'emuna Shelaima bevias hamashiach."



### Non-Jew is Nice to Yidden

The Rosen family spent Shabbos in the Pocos. On Sunday, they went to the game room to play bowling. They were not planning on playing other games, but their four-year-old daughter was begging them to play one of the arcades.

Suddenly, a non-Jew came over and said, "I'm the manager here. I'm going to pay for her to play," and he swiped his card.

There was also a different Jewish family there, and for them too, this non-Jew swiped his card for them to play.

He then told them, "You should be leaving soon, because it's starting to snow outside, and I want you to get home safely."

**"Ki ani Hashem Elokecha"**

**"machzik yeminecha"**

**Anti-Semitism is on the Decline.**

R' Zevy, a yungerman from Lakewood, New Jersey, was wheeling his child in a carriage to playgroup. Coming towards him was a non-Jew who was also wheeling his child. They reached a spot on the sidewalk where only one person could pass at a time, and the non-Jew motioned to R' Zevy to go first.



**Thank You, Hashem!**

**Shabbos Expenses are All Covered.**

Mrs. Shuster needed to buy new Shabbos shoes for one of her children. She was



not able to afford it, but she said to herself that whatever we spend for Shabbos, Hashem is going to pay us back.

The next day, she needed to buy an item, and the owner of the store gave it to her for half price. She realized that the half price that she saved was the exact amount that she had spent on the Shabbos shoes.

**"Vichibadito - measos dirachecha"**

### Man from New York Thanks Hashem

R' Yossi, a yungerman from Monsey, New York's daughter was driving in Lakewood, New Jersey, and she got into an accident. Baruch Hashem nothing happened to her!



**"Hodu LaHashem ki tov, - ki leolam - chasdo"**

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### Hashem is So Good to Us!

It was 11:00 at night. Reb Chaim finished learning night Seder. His wife called him and said that she's in the mood for "geshmake food".

This was the first time that he could remember that his wife made such a request at 11:00 at night.

That night was also the



first night that Reb Chaim could remember that someone brought to his kollel leftover food from a sheva brachos! Hashem sent them the food that they needed.

***"Einei chol - elecha yasabeiru - vAta noisen lahem - as achlum - bi'ito".***

**Trip to the Dentist Turns into Mussar Seder**



Mrs. Shapiro was driving her family to the dentist. It was impossible to find parking. They were circling around the block again and again, but there were no spots available. Finally, she turned to her family, and she said, "We know that Hashem is the one in charge of parking. It's not up to the

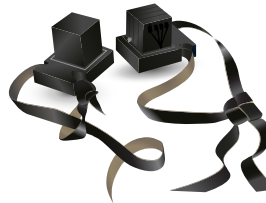
amount of cars that there are." Suddenly, they saw someone pull out right in front of the dentist's office, and they got their spot.

***"V'haboteach baHashem chesed yisovivenu"***

**Yeshiva Bachur Turns to Hashem.**

Dovid, a chasidisha yeshiva Bachur who follows "A Life with Bitachon" went from his yeshiva to his brother's bar mitzvah. He brought along his tefillin and he put them on a shelf.

After the bar mitzvah, he went to the shelf, but his tefillin were nowhere to be found. He started looking for



them, but he could not find them. His whole family started helping him search for them, but to no avail.

So Dovid turned to Hashem, and he started singing "hagal yachol".

Thirty seconds later, his father said, "I see them!" They were in a different room where the waiters were packing up the boxes. His father has no idea how he noticed them. The tefillin were just sticking out a little bit.

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# LIVING WITH HASHEM

By Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

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

## K'ISH ECHAD B'LEV ECHAD!

A Yid was advertising his car service company in Leifer's shul. At the bottom of the advertisement, there were numbers listed for three competing Yiddishe car service companies! A car service rider said that he took a ride in this car service, and in the car, there was a list of other car service numbers!!



## HASHEM HELPS BACHUR LEARN TO-RAH!

Sender Green\* wanted to go to Eretz Yisroel for the next zman for yeshiva. He was having difficulties arranging it because he uses crutches to walk, and since Yerushalayim has many hills, he needed an electric wheelchair. He was talking to one of his friends, and the friend told him he had an extra electric wheelchair and offered to give it to him! What Hashgacha Pratis!



## ANTI-SEMITISM ON THE DECLINE!

I had to go deposit money in the bank, but I was in a very big rush and was only able to go if there would be no line at the bank. I drove up to the bank and saw there was one African American teller with no customers on line. However, as I was walking in, a non-Jewish gentleman walked



in before me. As I walked in, the teller motioned to me to come over. I pointed to the non-Jewish gentleman to indicate that he came in before me, but the teller nonetheless motioned for me to come first! (Hashem made it that the gentleman did not see that he came in first; if he would have noticed, I would not have been able to go first, as I would have been concerned about making a chillul Hashem.) Anti-semitism is on the decline!

## LIVING WITH HASHEM

A Yiddishe Momma from Monsey called me up and said that she was mekabel every day to listen to the Bitachon Hotline. She wanted to know what the Halacha was if one day she read the Spring Hill Times instead. Is that counted that she followed the hotline? Is it the same thing? Could you imagine? That was her sheilah! Amazing!



## HASHEM REVEALS LOST ITEMS!

Rivky Berkowitz\* misplaced her camera and a USB. She looked all over, but she could not find them. They were very sentimental to her, and she really wanted them. She was listening to the Kav Hashgacha Pratis hotline, which told a story of a yid who lost his hearing aid worth \$10,000. He was in shul, and a small child found it under a bench! This story reminded her that Hashem knows where everything is, and Hashem can make even a small child find something valuable. A couple of minutes after hearing this story, a child was looking in the bookshelf and moved over a sefer and found the camera, and another child found the USB on the counter!



## A LIFE WITH BITACHON HOTLINE

By Rabbi Golombeck

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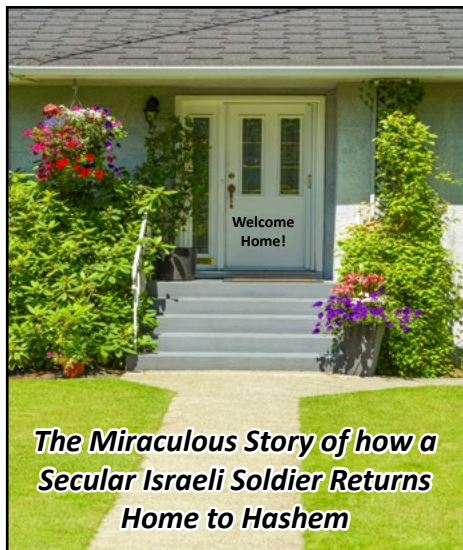
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*Miracle in Japan  
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the enigmatic world  
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fia. This captivating story follows an Israeli soldier entangled in the dangerous web of organized crime, only to experience a series of miraculous events that defy explanation. I'd like to share with you a tremendous story that I heard recently from Rav Shlomo Levenstein Shlita. And I'll tell you honestly, I know that over the years I have said a few wild stories, but this one is out of this world. To be honest, I could never have the shoulders to say something like this if I didn't hear it straight from Rav Shlomo Levenstein, known as the Maggid of B'nei Brak.

He says over that there's a rabbi in Bnei Brak, Rabbi Yehuda Yosefi, a great Tzaddik and Gaon who gives classes to Persian Jews in Bnei Brak on a weekly basis. He's a leader of the Persian Community on the outskirts of Bnei Brak in Israel.

One evening on a Wednesday night after the Rav Yosefi gave his class, one of the guys runs up and asks him to please do him a favor. He says to the Rav, "I have a very good friend, a soldier who just came back from the Israeli Army. He's not religious and worse – he totally doesn't believe in HaShem. Please, could you speak with him a few minutes? Maybe you can put inside him a little faith and Bitachon in HaShem. I want so much to help my friend come closer to Torah and Mitzvot.

The Rav said, "Absolutely. Please tell him to come in and I'll speak to him." "Yeah, but Rav, I don't know how to explain this to you but this friend of mine doesn't want to come into the shul. He gets very nervous and he's scared that if he walks into the shul, the air of the shul is going to have an effect on him somehow. He doesn't want to get out of the car. But he's right now outside in front of the shul in the car. Does the Rav mind to go outside and please sit with him in the car for a few minutes and talk to him."

The Rav says goes outside. He sees the man sitting in the car and goes inside. Before Rav Yosefi can say a word, this Israeli turns to the rabbi and says, "Prove to me that there is a G-d."

"Wow." Rav Yosefi says. "Zehu? That's all you want? You just want me to prove to you that there's a G-d? That there's a Borei Olam? That's not a problem. Come, I'll show it to you."

He turns to the Chayal and asks, "Tell me, did you hear about Moshe Rabbeinu?" The soldier answers, "Yes. Of course, I heard about Moshe Rabbeinu."

"Well did you know that after Moshe Rabbeinu grew up in the palace of Pharaoh, Moshe came out to his people and he began to help them and work with them. One day, Moshe Rabbeinu saw an Egyptian Taskmaster whipping a Jew. He was about to kill him and Moshe Rabbeinu ran and he killed the Egyptian. A miracle happened and the ground opened and swallowed the body. Moshe thought that no one saw but two people did see and unfortunately, they went and told Pharaoh. How much it hurts when one of our own becomes a Malshinim and goes and tells on another Jew. Moshe at that moment was in danger.

Pharaoh went and arrested Moshe and passed judgment. "Moshe, you killed the Mitzri so you will be executed with your head cut off."

Rav Yosefi explains that the Midrash tells us that it was at that moment that they took Moshe and tied him up and laid him down on a large rock. They bent Moshe's head all the way down so that his neck would be stretching out so it would be easy for the executioner to bring down the sword on his neck. "It was at that moment," says Rav Yosefi, "that Hashem made a great miracle. The executioner came and raised the sword and brought it down on the neck of Moshe Rabbeinu and a miracle happened. His neck became marble. When the blade hit the marble, it bounced right back up and killed the very same executioner. At that moment, Moshe Rabbeinu leaped up and ran away."

Rav Yosefi turns to the soldier and says, "Nu? You still don't believe there's a G-d? You still don't believe in a Creator who turned Moshe Rabbeinu's neck into marble? Of course, there is a Hashem! There has to be a Hashem! You see? I proved it! There's a G-d in the world!"

The Israeli soldier looks at the rabbi and bursts out laughing. He tells him, "You have got to be joking. That's your proof? You tell me this whole story about Moshe Rabbeinu and his neck turning into marble? Because of that, there is a G-d? I don't believe in Moshe Rabbeinu. I don't believe in his neck turning to marble, and I don't believe in this whole story. This is your proof, Rabbi? The Israeli soldier just burst out laughing."

"Well," Rav Yosefi says, "Okay. You're not Mekabel. You don't accept this. That's all right. Rav Yosefi picks himself up and walks out of the car. And that was it. Or was it..."

Well, my friends, open your hearts and wait till you hear the end of this story.

A year later, this particular Israeli soldier, like many others, when he completed his time in the army, took a break of a year or so. These soldiers are then able to leave Israel to go anywhere in the world. So he traveled to Japan. Sure enough, he got mixed up with the wrong people and somehow started dealing with the Japanese Mafia. After some time, he even became part of the Japanese Mafia since he had military training and knew how to survive. He was very street-smart and fit in perfectly with the

Japanese underground.

It happened that one of the Mafia bosses gave him a large amount of money to deliver to someone on the other side of town. It was a very large amount of money, so this Israeli guy made a terrible mistake, and he said to himself, "You know what... I'll just tell him that I lost it," and he kept the money for himself.

When word got back to the mafia boss that this Israeli guy kept the money for himself, claiming that he lost it, the boss sent out people looking for him everywhere.

After two months of hiding, they finally found him and brought him back to the mafia boss. It was at that moment that the boss said, "You stole from me. That's it, you deserve to die." To show everybody what happens when you steal from the mafia, the boss said, "Cut of his head!"

At that moment, they grabbed the Israeli and put his hands behind his back. They tied him up and laid him down flat on a table. They then took his head and bent it all the way down so that his neck would protrude and stick out completely so that when the sword came down on the neck, it would be able to do its job.

It was at that moment that the Israeli began to cry out as he remembered what Rav Yosefi had said to him a year and a half earlier. Everything started coming back. Moshe Rabbeinu, Pharaoh, the story of the executioner and Moshe's neck. It was at the end of that story, Rav Yosefi told this Israeli the words, "אל תתייאש" - don't give up hope." אפילו חרב חדה מונחת על צוארו של " - Even if a sharp sword rests upon one's neck, אל ימנע עצמו מן הרחמים - he should not stop himself from praying for mercy. You see? This is G-d. At the last second HaShem saved him and changed his neck to marble."

In these brief last moments of his life, this Israeli was thinking about this entire episode of Moshe Rabbeinu and his neck turning marble. The Israeli man closed his eyes and he screamed, "Borei Olam, if You really exist, now is the moment to save me! In these last moments, I'm not giving up hope. I'm crying out to You. If You save me, I'll be Chozer B'Teshuvah 100%. I'll go back to Eretz Yisroel and to Rav Yosefi and come back to You, HaShem."

At that moment the executioner raised the sword to bring it down on this Israeli man's neck, suddenly, the door to the room opened and in walked the mafia boss's wife. She yells, "Stop! Wait one second. This Israeli guy that you're killing - you can't kill him!" Remember a few years back when there was the great earthquake in Japan? That day the ground cracked open and there was a tremendous hole in the ground. Well, that crevice opened up and my son fell inside. As he was being sucked into the ground during this earthquake, this Israeli guy jumped in and saved my son! We owe him for saving my son's life. Let him go!"



When they heard that from the boss's wife, the executioner stepped away from the table and untied him. They sent him to the airport and the Israeli got on a plane back to Israel. He comes straight to Bnei Brak and ran to Rabbi Yosefi, grabbed him, hugged and kissed the rabbi. He screamed, "Bring me Tefillin, I want to say Shema Yisroel. You have to hear my story!"

The words that came out of the Rav's mouth was HaShem words. The Rabbanim are the Urim V'Tumim of our generation. No matter how right we think we are, no matter how LeShem Shamayim we believe to be, whatever the Rav tells us, those words are Kodesh Kadoshim. We have to take it to heart and remember, that:

"אל תתייאש" - don't give up hope. אפילו חרב חדה מונחת על צוארו של אדם אל ימנע עצמו מן הרחמים

Even if a sharp sword rests upon a person's neck, they should never stop themselves from praying for mercy.





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## Thank You's

By: R' Simcha Elefant - Yerushalayim  
Ir Hakodesh

*L'zechus that people should feel loved by Hashem!*

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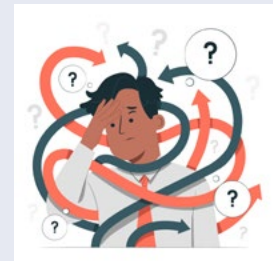
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2. Regardless if the person appreciates it Hashem appreciates it immensely. He will never ever forget the kindness that You do!
3. You will now get much more sechar! The less you get on this world the more you get in the next one!
4. The person's neshama appreciates immensely what you did. It's just his guf and his yetzer hara that are causing him to be a little confused! One day he will come to appreciate everything you do for him.



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## PARASHAS MISHPATIM

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

ANSWERS ON PAGE 38



### Parsha Delight Question of the week

#### פרשת משפטים תשפ"ד (5784)

In the pasuk (21:22) it states, If men shall fight and they collide ויצאו ילדיה, and her children come out (miscarry) etc., he shall surely be punished.

Why does it state ילדיה, in the plural?

Isn't the halacha the same if she was carrying only one child?

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## CHEISHEK HATORAH

### Riddle #75 Parshas Mishpatim

*In Parshas Mishpatim we will learn, about an Ayin and a Shain. If a master injures one of the above in his Eved Knaani, he will now have to send him Chafshi! What if it was a baby tooth that took the blow, and hence was dislodged from its row? Will the slave still be sent free, or in slavery will he continue to be?*

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R' Nesanel Landesman

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Suggestions for the case of Rina brought meat for her children in Eretz Yisroel, and the suitcase with the meat got lost...

- Perhaps the meat would have given them food poisoning.
- When she got there, she learned that her son-in-law was found to have high blood pressure and was cutting down on his meat consumption.
- Rina can try to be grateful that Hashem took out her yissurim on the meat and not on their health. Maybe Rina was supposed to get sick this whole trip and Hashem in His mercy spoiled the meat instead of spoiling Rina's whole trip.



- Rina was now able to support the butchers in Israel and it gave her the opportunity to make fresh food for her family.
- Instead, they went out to eat and met friends they wouldn't have seen otherwise.
- Maybe there was a kashrus issue with the meat and Hashem was saving them from eating it.
- Her children will still appreciate the thought.
- The insurance will cover the cost and she will surprise them another time.
- While it is a very frustrating situation, Rina could instead choose to focus on the fact that she is zocheh to be able to visit her children and Eretz Yisrael.
- Rina could put her focus on the fact that she went and spent money and time preparing special foods for her children, who she loves dearly.

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The Gemara in Brochos points out a contradiction between two pesukim in Tehilim. One possuk says, “Hashomayim shomayim LaShem veho’oretz nossan levnei adam,” the Heavens belong to HaShem, and the earth is given over to man, and the second possuk says, “LaShem ho’oretz umlo’ah,” to HaShem is the world and everything in it. So what’s the story with this world—does it belong to HaShem, or is it the domain of man?



The Gemara says it’s not a contradiction: Kan kodem levrocho veKan le’achar haberocho. Before we make a blessing, it’s like we’re in the store, and we haven’t paid for the item yet. But once we swipe that credit card, and we pay for it with a blessing, then it becomes ours.

There’s an alternative explanation. Let’s say, for example, I have an apple in my hand—before I make a berochah, it’s “my” apple; it’s a pedestrian apple. But once I make a berochah on it, now it becomes elevated to an expression of LaShem ho’oretz umlo’ah, that the whole world is filled with HaShem.

Good Shabbos!



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Nowadays we are all fortunate to have plenty of clothes yet this wasn't always the case. Our Parashah discusses the halachah of someone who lends money to a poor person who only has one change of clothes. He is so destitute that it is one of his few possessions and he needs to give it as a collateral when he borrows money. The lender needs to have mercy on him and ensure that this is returned to him at night, since he has no other clothes. (22:25)



An inspiring Midrash (Tanchumah 16) teaches that Hashem says, 'look how much you are obligated to me. When you sin before me and your neshamah returns to Shamayim each night, I return it, so too you must return the collateral to the borrower.' Hashem in His great Mercy returns our holy neshamah that is entrusted to Him each night, even if we are not deserving. Our role on this world is to emulate Hashem, therefore we must follow in His ways and compassionately return the borrowers' collateral.

Not only does Hashem in His great compassion return our neshamah, He also ensures that it is returned in a fresh state. As Chazal teach, 'humans will entrust their deposit in pristine condition, yet will receive it worn and used. Lehavdil, Hashem returns our weary soul after a tiring day, new and refreshed.' (Midrash Tehillim 25)

When our neshamah returns to the Heavens it becomes cleansed and revitalized providing us with an incredible opportunity to serve Him for a new day. Therefore, we need to offer our heartfelt appreciation. For this reason when we wake up, we recite the words *שהחזרת בי נשמתי בחמלה* "you have returned to me Your soul with graciousness..." as a way of expressing our gratitude for this. Hashem is our loving caring Father, and regardless if we are worthy, He graciously returns our neshamah new and refreshed, giving us another day of the priceless gift of life.

Rav Shraga Mendalovitz used to say, 'the greatest gift of life is life

itself!' Each day of life has endless potential. We can perform Torah and mitzvos helping us acquire eternal life and enjoy all the amazing pleasures that this world has to offer. This is all due to Hashem's great compassion that He returns our soul to us. Hashem loves us so much and is happy to give us another opportunity. No matter what happened, before He believes in us that the next day we will use the gift of life correctly. This is alluded to in the last words of modeh ani, *יְהוָה אֱמוּנָתְךָ* 'how great is

Your faithfulness'. One explanation, is that we are thanking Hashem that He believes in us! He returns our precious neshamah since He trusts us ever so much.

We all have days that can be challenging. When we think of how much a privilege life is and just the fact that we are alive is a priceless gift beyond measure, can really help lift our spirits. Furthermore, the thought that Hashem the King of all Kings, believes in us so much that He entrusts us with another gift of life is very encouraging. It will be great to try and always remind ourselves of this, especially if we are feeling a bit down.

One Simchas Torah, the students in the Manchester Yeshivah were dancing very passionately, singing the famous song 'anah anah anah avdah DeKudsha Barich Hu. An excerpt from the Berich Shemeh prayer that exclaims how we are all servants of Hashem. A bystander asked the Manchester Rosh yeshivah, "is it perhaps inappropriate that the students are repeating anah anah anah, 'I, 'I 'I': surely it should be better to sing 'anah avdah, avdah, I, am a servant, a servant". "Chas VeShalom," exclaimed the Rosh Yeshivah. "We should sing 'I' and again 'I' and again! We must never forget the greatness of our neshamah and how we are a worthy servant of Hashem. We cannot remind ourselves of this enough times!"



*Inspiring quotes about thanking Hashem.*

- *A person who lives with a constant awareness of Hashem's guiding hand will have a life of unrestricted happiness. (The Chazon Ish, Emunah U'bitachon 1:9)*
- *We are obligated to focus on and continuously remember Hashem's constant kindness. (Rabbeinu Bechayah, Kad Hakemach: Purim)*
- *Everything that happens to us is all miracles; there is no such thing as nature. (Ramban, Shemos 13:16)*
- *Observing all the benefits we receive from Hashem will inspire us to serve Him. (Mesilat Yesharim 8)*
- *One who knows how to praise Hashem, increases blessings in the upper and lower realms. He is beloved on high, esteemed below and Hashem takes pride in him. (Zohar vol. 1 p. 59b)*

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# Bitachon Gems



## Learning the Parasha with Rav Yehuda Mandel Shlita

אוזן ששמע בהר סיני

The עבד עברי who wants to remain with his master after 6 years of work gets his ear punctured. He heard in הקב"ה that we are עבדים and not to other עבדים so he gets his ear punctured. In last week's פרשה we have וישמע יתרו. We have a striking contrast from the way יתרו heard things and the way the עבד עברי heard things.

Part II

When יתרו heard about נפלאות he became exalted. Not only was he מגייר but he started giving everlasting advice to רבינו משה. A גר is usually a forlorn person who needs חיזוק, and there are loads of פסוקים that tell us to be nice to them and not mistreat them.

Part III

But יתרו is a special type of גר. Not only isn't he a nebach who needs קירוב, but he goes ahead and gives advice to the רשכבה"ג משה רבינו. He is called חותן משה eleven times because the תורה wants to be מכבד him. We can also suggest בס"ד that he was just like משה.

Part IV

גר בארץ- נכריה משה

and he didn't act like a helpless nebach although he was a fugitive of justice and פרעה wanted to kill him. He stood up and rescued יתרו. Already in מצרים he got involved in risky business when he killed the מצרי who hit a yid.

Part V

Look how both יתרו and משה had unusual רוממות and were fearless! When יתרו recognized the greatness of הקב"ה and His נסים, he realized that being a חלק of הקב"ה makes him a great person. He went out to help others like הקב"ה is always doing חסד. Now look at the עבד עברי. He is busy admiring his kindhearted אדון and his

wonderful family.

Part VI

But himself, he doesn't appreciate (אהבתי את -אדוני ואשתי- ובני). So he has to have a punctured ear forever. And the very אדון whom he loves so much gives him the treatment (עבדי חשובה). All those עבדים לעבדים people (and even the biggest צדיקים) who we all admire, are just עבדים and shouldn't be looked at with too much reverence as if they are gods ח"ו.

Part VII

So many of us are nice people with an עין טובה about others (which is a good מדה). We praise them and respect them and see their מעלות. Unfortunately, we can be similar to an עבד עברי who loves everybody, but doesn't have the pride to realize that even the nicest אדון is just an עבד.

Part VIII

יעקב אבינו, when he was running for his life to escape from עשוי came to ארם – a strange country. Yet, as soon as he saw people not doing their work properly – he gave them מוסר. This is similar to יתרו ומשה. In Navardok they emulated this הנהגה and they always felt "on top".

Part IX

אמיצות was of paramount importance in Navardok and שפלות wasn't tolerated. Like R' A. Miller ז"ל said – Don't be afraid of a face. Don't become like an עבד עברי who deserves to be degraded with a hole in his ear, and by the very אדון whom he admires way too much.

Part X

Learn to admire the נחות that הקב"ה gave you and then the world will get much more out of you בס"ד. When אברהם אבינו

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pleading with הקב"ה to save סדום, he said אולי ימצאון- צדיקים בתוך- העיר and RSRH points out that בתוך העיר means a צדיק who doesn't live only for himself but he is concerned about his surroundings.

Part XI

The person who works on has room in his heart to care for others – like משה ויתרו who were always there to help out, and they noticed the needs of others since they were like “free birds” and not closed up worrying about their own pecklach all day.

וגר לא- תלחץ

RSRH says תלחץ means restraining. בי אתה- ידעת את- נפש הגר. We were in מצרים where it says את לחצנו.

and pressure and feeling locked in, is the worst thing. And חז"ל say השבי קשה מכולם. This was the official טייטש of the pain of לחץ – מצרים and מצרים

means מיצר, border, and the inability to move freely.

Part II

I once spoke to דן סגל שליט"א about a פרנסה issue and he warned against pressure. He held it was כדאי to take risks and have בטחון just to avoid pressure. כ"ש וק"ו a

person shouldn't pressure himself or his family. Frumkeit can be a pressure cooker and can cause serious problems.

Part III

It's not fair to pressure people and it's a major ב"א issue since you are inflicting sometimes irreversible damage when you pressure people (especially family members). The true motive is almost always רדיפת הכבוד, although you feel you are צדיק who is doing the biggest מצוה.

Part IV

You have no right to pressure yourself either. There are loads of יצה"ר in this, and many people can ח"ו literally kill each other with this. Some people can overcome this יצה"ר, but there are many who can't and sometimes pressure can be a מעלה.

Part V

Those who really can't overcome their pressures should be מקבל רצון and they will do quite well despite this shortcoming. Of course, lots of תפלה and בטחון are always important.

שובבי"ם

The lust for תאוה כבוד etc. that you have is not the real you. It was given to you as a gift ש"מ to make you a great person. 1) If you keep working on it. 2) If you even have the slightest improvement even temporary! 3) To see if you don't get discouraged and depressed despite its scary nature of its never ending addictiveness.

Part II

Any one of the above makes you a big צדיק despite those horrific negative feelings you are getting all the time (see when the Steipler ז"ל wrote about this subject, he was super encouraging). דוד and יוסף and יהוד all had קדושה in נסיונות, each one in a different way. These were all giants and were מלכות. (A special מלאך התאוה was sent to יהוד).

Part III

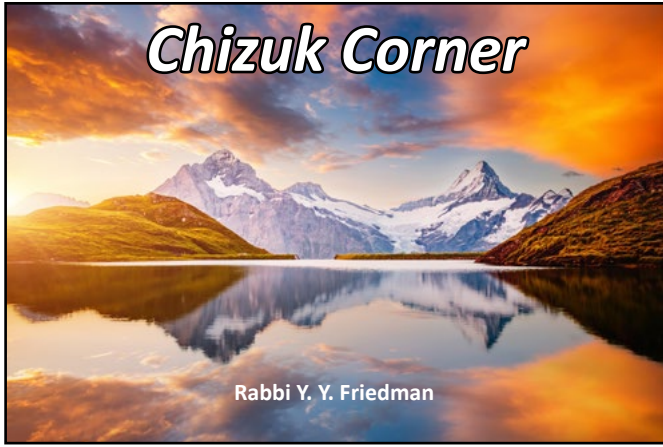
דוד is very inspirational in his unbelievable reaction and his תשובה (according to RSRH ז"ל).

'וישכון- כבוד ה' – ומראה- כבוד ה'

I saw a פ' תרומה in רמב"ן who discusses 'כבוד ה' in the משכן and he mentions כבוד seven times.

כסא הכבוד ובהיכלו כולו -אומר כבוד. יבוא Respect is the יסוד of the whole universe and without respect there is havoc and destruction. I once met an Arab in Australia who told me that without respect – nothing doing. This was unique because the whole problem with הגר was גבירתה ותיקל גבירתה. (The משגיח ז"ל said that before the Arabs will do תשובה משיח).





We have written recently about our personal 24/7 organization that we have. The name of the organization is the name of our family. We discussed that even when we are at work or learning we are doing chessed for our family. Now be"H we would like to take it to the next level.

Someone who is learning in Yeshiva or in Kollel is doing Chessed with the entire world. We know that Torah is one of the pillars of the world. Therefore, when one is learning Torah he is doing chessed with the entire world. However, even those who are working are also running a tremendous chessed organization. Let me preface this with a story.



Someone once approached the holy Chafetz Chaim for advice. When he came in, the Chafetz Chaim asked the man what he did for a living. The man replied that he has a bakery. The Chafetz Chaim got up excitedly and gave him an affectionate

hug.

The Chafetz Chaim told the shocked man "don't you realize what a great role you have in this world? You are feeding Hashem's children.



But Rebbe, the man protested I do this for my livelihood. The Chafetz Chaim replied "so what! A Yid needs to earn a livelihood. It's not a contradiction at all. The bottom line is that you are feeding Hashem's children and you need to feed your own children as well.

Based on this story I would like to take our readers on a journey through many different jobs and show how

much chessed is involved [in addition to the fact that we are feeding our families]. Before we begin we will give a disclaimer that we obviously cannot cover every kind of job out there, we are just giving a few examples [the rest we will leave to the reader].

Grocery - It is told that the reason why the Chafetz Chaim owned a grocery was because he wanted to feed people as the Chafetz Chaim told the baker. A grocery owner is constantly feeding people throughout the years of his life. What a privilege!



Judaica - Someone that works in Judaica is supplying his fellow brothers with Seforim and all sorts of items that enhance their Yomim Tovim. They also supply them with CD's (USB's) which bring joy and inspiration to the Jewish heart.



Rebbe - The Heiliger Rebbe. We should dedicate an entire article for these Tzaddikim. These heroes devote their life to build our Heiliger children. The chinuch and inspiration that they instill in our children is everlasting. This is Chessed at its peak.



Morah - Similar to the Rebbe, these heroes are building a generation thus preparing them to be future mothers of Klal Yisroel. The Chizzuk and inspiration that they give over to their Talmidos is mind boggling.



School Administrator - We all know that they are the pillars in each Yeshiva or girls school. The chessed that they are doing is beyond this world, and they will be rewarded greatly.

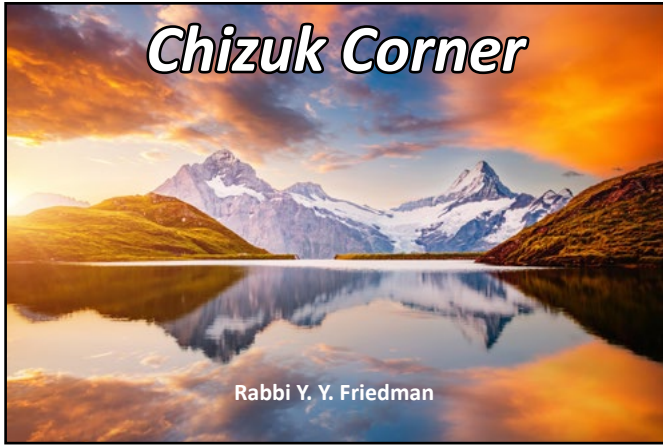


Plumber - A plumber is someone who helps people have the hygiene they need. They help us in many other ways as well. Whether it's with sinks and boilers. They are available twenty four hours a day for emergencies and they deal with unpleasant odors as well. This is called chessed with mesiras nefesh.



Electrician - Electricians help us





with many vital things that we need to live a comfortable life. Especially with regards to lighting. We need lights to be able to function and they are there for us.

Accountant - Anyone that understands business, knows that a business without a proper accountant will go under. In fact my wife was at one point was an accountant. Temporarily, she worked for a business that had been failing. When she joined the business, business started picking up. After a few months she left to go to a more permanent job. A short while after that the business crumbled. She realized afterward how meaningful a good accountant can be to a business.



Consultant - Similar to the accountant the consultant helps people start their business and how to grow their business. So they are instrumental in building businesses of fellow Yidden.



Real estate broker - A real estate broker helps people find the proper and affordable home that they need to meet their means. This



helps people build their families with the proper environment and house that they need.

Diamond broker - A diamond broker helps people find the right diamond that they need. Especially when it involves a young Chassan looking for a diamond for his Kallah. This makes it even more special.



Musicians - "Music is the language of the soul". When one is playing music one is giving our Neshama a massage. Giving the Jewish soul pleasure is no small feat, and when it involves a Chassan and Kallah then it's beyond our imagination. Giving joy to a Chassan and Kallah is a privilege that is huge as Chazal have elaborated.



Editors and publishers - People that are involved in writing books and articles for their fellow Yidden is very special. Especially when it involves chizuk and positivity then this is chessed at it's peak, as we have mentioned in the past. The Rambam in Mishnayos says that giving chizuk is the greatest form of Chessed.



So yes there is a great chessed organization called the Spring Hill times, which gives us non-stop chizuk. As Rav Yeruchem Olshin put it down beautifully. "The Spring Hill Times is bringing Moshiach".

Let us all keep doing what we are doing [expanding your borders is always great] with the mindset of chessed and we will all bring Moshiach together with brotherly love Amen.

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# Life is Wonderful!

By: R' Moshe Hirschberg - Lakewood, New Jersey

**SEVENTEEN YEARS AFTER THEIR** chasunah, Shmuel's wife requested that he get himself a new hat. He was already making bar mitzvahs; he should have a new hat for himself. So, he went to a hat store, where they measured his head, showed him a few models, and eventually he chose one. After he paid, they offered him to wear the new hat home or to wear the old one and place the new one in a box until it would be ready to be worn. He decided to wear it home.

You can only imagine how he felt; he felt like a million dollars. When he walked down the street, everyone greeted him warmly, and everyone was so respectful toward him. "It was the hat," he thought to himself. "Now that I have a new hat, everyone is respecting me, and I'm becoming a popular man."



He came home so delighted. He told his wife the whole episode — about how he was greeted nicely by everyone now that he has his new hat, and how it's made all the difference.

"What hat?" questioned his wife. "I don't see a new hat. Did you really get a new hat? This is your same old hat. What are you talking about?"

Shmuel took his hat off his head and saw that it was, in fact, his old hat. "Oops. I must've left the new hat at the store. I didn't even bring it home!"

If so, what caused the change that

suddenly made him so popular and respected? Once he felt good and confident with himself, he radiated this to others. It obviously wasn't the hat but his feeling good with himself that others related to, and that caused him to become popular, well-liked, and admired. (Reprinted with permission from Be'er Haparsha)

## SELF WORTH

As a close talmid of R' Yechezkel Levinstein, Reb Noach Chofetz was able to learn b'chavrusah with his esteemed rebbi. A couple of years ago, Reb Noach fell ill, and many came to visit him. He told over that as a bachur, he began to go to a particular Chassidic rebbe for Shabbosim, and Reb Yechezkel Levinstein asked him, "What do you get there that you don't have by us?"

Reb Noach replied, "Every morning before Korbanos, we say, 'Moh onu, Meh cheinu... U'mosar ha'Adam min ha'beheima ayin ki ha'kol havel... — Who are we? What is our life...? Behold, all the mighty are like nothing before You, the famous are non-existent...because most of their deeds are foolishness, and there is no benefit of man over an animal; everything is vain.

"Aval anachnu amcha b'nei brisechah, b'nei Avraham ohavcha... Ashreinu mah tov chelkeinu u'mah noim gorleinu — But we are Your children, the nation of Your covenant, the children of Avraham whom You loved... We are fortunate! How good is our portion! How sweet is our lot! How beautiful is our inheritance!" "The lesson of 'Who are we? What is life?' I learned very well from you. You taught me that the gashmiyus of this world is nothing. But the lesson that we are Hashem's beloved nation — that I learn by this Rebbe."

Reb Yechezkel Levinstein praised this answer, and told Reb Noach that he should continue going to that Rebbe. Reb Yechezkel then repeated many times to himself, "aval anachnu... aval anachnu..."

## THE CRIPPLED LION

A man was recently in Argentina where a wealthy member of the community took him for a visit to the local zoo. Over there, he saw something shocking. He saw visitors walk up to unchained, unguarded lions and hand-feed them. The lions were docile and treated the humans with respect.

The shocked visitor asked his host,



"These lions act like young, peaceful children. How is this possible? Lions are ferocious, dangerous animals! How do people get so close, and why don't the lions attack?"

"When these lions were born," answered the host, "they were raised together with dogs and were fed all that they needed. They never discovered that they were lions and that they possess mighty strength. They think they are dogs."

Elephants and camels also make this mistake. They have immense strength but can be trained not to be aware of it.

People also make the same error. They don't recognize their potential and strength, and thus are convinced that nothing much will come from them. Especially when

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# Life is Wonderful!

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they're surrounded by people who don't accomplish much, they think they won't be different from their peers. The truth is that everyone has amazing strengths, and when one devotes himself to Hashem's service, he can accomplish a lot. (Reprinted with permission from Be'er Haparsha, Torah Wellsprings, Beshalach, p. 4)

## INNER GREATNESS

A grandson of a Chassidic Rebbe was waiting for his turn to speak to the Beis Yisrael of Gur. As he waited, he said to the gabbai, Reb Chaninah Schiff, "When you bring me to the rebbe, tell him who my grandfather is."

The gabbai replied, "It isn't our custom to do so."

But the bachur insisted, so when Reb Chanina Schiff brought him before the Beis Yisrael, he said, "He wants you to know that he is a grandson of the tzaddik."

The Beis Yisrael replied, "I should know? He should know!" In other words, he should know whom he comes from and stand up to the name. This is a key for his personal growth.

The same is regarding our inner greatness. We should know our yichus. We should know that we are descendants of the holy Avos. This awareness will fill our hearts with pride and joy.

## A SON-IN-LAW LIKE R' AKIVA EIGER

A man once entered the Mir Yeshiva in Poland, seeking a new son-in-law for his daughter. He asked the mashgiach, R' Yerucham Levovitz, who the best boy was. The mashgiach replied: "Who do you want? This boy is like Reb. Akiva Eiger, this one is a R' Yitzchok Elchanan, and the next is R' Paysach Pruskin. Which do you want as a son-in-law?"

At the time, these weren't necessarily top boys of the yeshiva, yet R' Yerucham gave each talmid the feeling that he's going to be the next gadol, empowering and infusing each of them with courage of greatness. Many of these bachurim grew to be great leaders in the past generation.

More than what R' Yerucham said was the inner chashivus, respect that he gave to them. Empowering them with the capabilities gives a person the courage to bring forth the great potential.

## "YOU CAN BE A GENERAL!!"

The doors of the beis midrash opened up, and in came the Chofetz Chaim. All the talmidim were eagerly waiting the message that their great rebbe would reveal. "We know what Napoleon would convey to his army," he said. "One who doesn't believe he can be a general, even a soldier he can't be." Besides strength and power, fighting in the army needs 'courage.' The courage needed to fight in an army must be strong, and therefore only the one who believes that he can be a general is fit to fight as a soldier.



"So much so," continued the Chofetz Chaim, "applies to serving Hashem; one who believes that he can be great will have the courage and bravery to stand strong, but the one who thinks that he can't be great won't have the courage to stand up and fight." (Sheva Ipol Tzaddik, p. 450)

"There are many who think that they can't reach greatness," says R' Yitzchak Hutner. "But this is the kefirah of our

generation. The great shortcoming that a person can have, is the feeling that he can't become great, and that we must battle with all our might."

## RESPECTFUL DOGS

In 1937, R' Elchanan Wassermann set out on a trip to America to raise the necessary funds for the Baranowitz Yeshiva. He traveled all around America



for these funds. At one point, he had R' Shmuel Greinamen, the principal of Yeshiva Torah Vodaath, while he was staying in the home of R' Zalman Levin, going around with him as a translator.

When they got to upstate New York, they passed a wealthy-looking home, but R' Shmuel walked right by, not giving it much attention. R' Elchanan questioned why they were skipping that home. "There is a mezuzah on the doorpost." To which R' Shmuel answered there were two vicious-looking dogs at the gateway, preventing any visitors entry, and that's why he avoided it.

R' Elchanan responded that he's going in despite the vicious-looking dogs. He opened the gate and headed toward the front door. Sure enough, the dogs came charging at him, but as soon as they got to him, they stopped.

He persisted and went to the **Continued on next page**





# Life is Wonderful!

By: R' Moshe Hirschberg - Lakewood, New Jersey

front door, asking for a donation. The shocked man answered the door, asking, "How did you get in? Didn't the dogs 'greet' you at the entrance?"

R' Elchanan responded that dogs see the tzelem Elokim within every person. Many people lose it along the way, but I managed to keep it pure, and they respected it, and that's why they didn't harm me.

This serves as a great lesson. Even dogs can feel the intrinsic value that's within our neshamah. Even though at times it may not be seen, it is something that's tangibly seen even by dogs. So, although we can't see it, we must remember that this is a very tangible thing. (R' Lazer Abish)

## A REAL "LEVI!"

R' Avraham Goldstein, a well-known ger-tzedek living in Scranton, Pennsylvania, had a friend whose son started drifting from Yiddishkeit. The family reached out to R' Avraham to see if he could try to influence their son, Yaakov.

R' Avraham sought after Yaakov, hoping to influence him for the good. During their conversation, he thought of a great idea. Soon after, R' Avraham brought Yaakov to John's store, who greeted R' Avraham warmly and inquired as to who was R' Avraham's companion. R' Avraham introduced Mr. John to his young friend, Yaakov, and told him that Yaakov was a Levi, Levite.

Hearing this, John leaped from his seat and announced on the PA system that all workers should come and get a blessing from this authentic Levite. "We want all our people to be blessed by such a person."

Within moments, all seventy employees of John's store gathered around R' Avraham and Yaakov, seeking his brachah.

Everyone lined up, bent their heads, as they were instructed, and Yaakov ben-

tched them all.

As Yaakov and R' Avraham returned to the car, Yaakov started crying uncontrollably. "Why are you crying?" asked R' Avraham.

"All this time I never valued myself as a special Levi. This is the first time that the awareness is touching me!"

This episode stood for Yaakov as a life-changer, motivating him to redirect his life, to serve Hashem, to do His mitzvos, and to understand his intrinsic value.

Most of us are not Leviim, yet we have a lot to learn from this story. We are the one and only chosen nation, chosen by non-other than the Creator, Hashem. This recollection gives us nobility and dignity. This in itself stands for us to take great pride in and to conduct ourselves in an uplifting manner.

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## The Empowerment of Responsibility

Ask anyone for a list of the keys to achieving success and becoming a leader, and they will likely rattle off a number of qualities and character attributes that are, no doubt, very valuable. But on the other hand, few people are likely to mention one of the significant causes of success that one researcher discovered – being a firstborn child.

This researcher discovered that firstborns, who make up only about 35 percent of the general population, form a much greater percentage of high achievers, political leaders, successful businessmen, and other top performers. Astronauts, company executives, renowned scientists, and even United States presidents tend to be firstborns far more frequently than one would have imagined. The next question that the researcher asked himself was: Why? After extensive research and



might never have been tapped (Bringing Out the Best in Others, by Thomas K. Connellan).

Simple observation indicates that responsibility is capable of transforming a person. An individual faced with a daunting array of tasks to perform and issues to resolve will almost always adapt to handle the circumstances.

The Gemara states (Shabbos 11a), “If all the seas were ink, the marshes quills, the heavens parchment, and all the people scribes, it would not be sufficient to write about the ‘void’ of the government.” Rashi explains that the “void” in question refers to the depth of the king’s heart. A king must concern himself with the affairs of all of his subjects, the smooth running of his entire kingdom, and major issues such as wars with his neighbors, rendering proper judgment in court cases, and the like. The average citizen’s puny concerns pale in comparison to the vast array of issues that weigh upon the ruler of a country.

And this is no less true of today’s political figures. The head of state of any of the powerful nations must deal with a burden of issues: the economy, the military, public education, taxes, politics, and many more topics of concern. How does one man handle such massive responsibilities? When a human being is placed in a position of awesome responsibility, that very situation has the capacity to extract unimaginable greatness from him. A head of state knows that he, and only he, is responsible for contending with all of these issues, and that is what elicits his ability to do so.

Rav Chaim Shmulevitz zt”l writes that a person achieves greatness by accepting responsibilities. The more responsibility a person accepts, the greater he becomes.

This principle is relevant to many common situations. How should a parent react when a child blames his poor performance in school on an inept teacher or disruptive classmates? Some parents might be tempted



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to agree with the child and reassure him that his failure was not his own fault. But instead of empowering the child, this response actually diminishes the child's ability to succeed. In order to promote future success, the parent should tell the child — gently, of course — that regardless of his teacher's acumen or his friends' behavior, in the final analysis, his performance in school is entirely in his own hands.

In the office environment, "micromanaging" tends to limit employee productivity. A business thrives when employees are entrusted with important tasks and made to feel responsible for the company's success. That sense of responsibility brings out the employees' latent capabilities.

The same is true of kollel yungerleit. Young men often flourish the most when they leave the large kollelim of the big cities and are thrust into the smaller, more intimate environments of out-of-town kollelim. Suddenly, they find themselves shouldering additional responsibilities that there is no one else to fulfill: delivering a shiur, mentoring, paskening, and being mekareiv. In such situations, yungerleit often discover strengths that they never knew they possessed.

Hashem calls the Jewish people "b'ni bechori Yisrael — My firstborn son, Yisrael. (Shemos 4:22)" The Torah also tells us that we are a mamleches Kohanim, a nation of priests; we are destined to be the leaders of the world. As Hashem's "firstborn," so to speak, we are entrusted with a much higher level of responsibility.

In November 22, 1963, the United States was shaken to the core by the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. The president was shot on a Friday morning, and a state funeral was held the following Monday. Private and public schools throughout the country were closing on that day, and Dr. Joseph Kamenetzky, the director of Torah Umesorah, asked Rav Yaakov Kamenetzky zt"l whether their schools should follow suit.

Rav Yaakov advised that the



schools should definitely be closed, quoting the Kuzari's teaching that the Jewish people's relationship with the nations of the world is analogous to the relationship between the heart and the rest of the body. The Jews are supposed to be the "heart" of the world and teach mo-

reality to all the nations. If such a horrific wrong could be committed, it meant that the Jewish people had failed, in some measure, in carrying out their mission.

This idea provides us with another answer to the question we raised earlier in this chapter: how we can avoid demonstrating disrespect for people who do not live in accordance with the Torah. If we recognize that it is our responsibility to model the correct way to live, and that their failure to live properly represents a failing of our own, we will not be able to feel disdain for them.

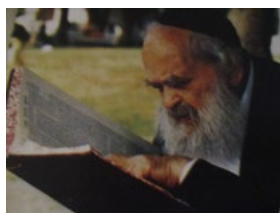
It is often tempting to consider ourselves incapable of repairing the world's ills. We tend to look around and tell ourselves that the rest of the world will always despise us and it is not within our ability to make a difference in the world. But these thoughts are disempowering. It is a fundamental part of our faith that everything that happens in the world is connected to the Jewish people. In truth, everything depends on whether we succeed in making ourselves into proper reflections of Hashem. If we take responsibility for doing so, we can truly make a difference.

**In Review:** Our mission of kiddush Hashem means that we are the teachers of the entire world. Just as a teacher should not disparage his students for not knowing something that is his responsibility to teach them, we must also recognize that it is our responsibility to educate the world about the proper way to live, and we cannot disparage the secular world for not living up to our standards. If we kept the Torah perfectly, there would be more kiddush Hashem in the world, and the failings we observe would not exist.

**Editor's Calcification on last week's article:** "Someone said that she was wearing a wig, but none of us believed it; it looked so real!"

It is self understood that the Rebbetzin was wearing a regular sheitel but to non-frum people or non-Jews who don't know that frum women wear wigs, it appeared as real.

In any case, everyone should follow their Da'as Torah as to which head covering is appropriate and best to use.



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## Rabbi Yosef Moshe Mizrachi

Imagine you would see 600,000 Jews in one gathering. It would look so impressive almost like a full army... What Bracha would you think you would recite? Maybe, 'Blessed are You, Hashem, for making such a big nation.'

However the Gemarah in Brachos 58a says that when one sees 600,000 Yidden, he says 'Baruch ata Hashem chacham harazin' - blessed are You, Hashem, Who knows each Yid's unique thoughts! The Tzlac"n Explains that we are praising Hashem for giving each Yid their own personal connection with Him! 600,000 Yidden contain all the 600,000 variations of connecting to Hashem! Yes we are one nation but we bless Hashem For making every Yid unique! Amazingly the Gemorah continues and says that on a Gadol Hador One may also recite this Bracha of 'Chacham harazin'

The Ramban explains that the greater one is, the more they can relate to other people and appreciate their special Avodas Hashem. The Gadol Hador Is able to encompass all of the individual paths to Hashem and thus one can make this blessing on him for he contains all the diverse elements in Klal Yisrael.

Every Yid has their own story. Life Is a fascinating journey of struggles and triumphs and twists and turns that make the person who he is. We should try to be in touch with our own stories and take pride in them! When we serve Hashem from this unique place in us, our Avodas Hashem becomes very meaningful and personal.

I have a friend who is a very outgoing kind of person and he is in Hatzala . One might think he is just "another regular Yid" who does some good when he has the chance. I asked him, 'if you would get a non urgent call in the middle of the night would you take It?' He said, 'Yes! I would try my best to help.' I asked, "But even if it's at 2 a.m. and you're sleeping? Even if it's something you know can wait till tomorrow? How can you tolerate



such inconveniences? How can you be so Moser nefesh?'

He Responded, 'You don't understand.

Helping Klal Yisrael is not something I happen to do, it's who I am it's what I live for! There is no greater feeling than helping out another Yid when they are in distress! People say I'm selfless but I say I'm actually selfish because helping someone else gives my life such purpose! What else is worth my time more than helping out other Yidden! I can go to sleep content when I know that I helped someone out today!

This is just another example of witnessing a "regular" Yid's inside story! First we must study and appreciate our own unique story then we can start to notice and appreciate another Yids unique story as well!

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By: Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

## Did you KNOW?

My Rebbe gave me over a mesorah from his rebbeim that over 90% of our frustration and aggravation comes because we love kavod so much. We don't feel that we're getting

enough kavod, so that's why we don't enjoy life. As Chazal say, "... hakavod motziin es ha'adam min ha'olam."

For example, when you go to a simcha, right away what are you thinking about? 'What am I wearing, how are people looking at me, let me go schmooze with someone because otherwise it will look like I'm a loner, and why didn't the chasan call me in yet, and this person just walked by me and ignored me..."

These are just examples of how you see at a simcha when a person is supposed to be happy, there are so many things that could ruin the simcha that are all kavod-related issues.



If you're busy with your kavod all day, you're locked up in jail.

My Rebbe's Rebbe, R' Gershon Lipman, said that if you want to get out of jail, focus on the Mesillas Yesharim's words, "Hakavod Hevel Havalim," silly old kavod, kavod won't get you anywhere in life. No human being can help you anyway.

If you want to enjoy life, true Kavod is if Hashem's happy with you, and it's very easy to please Hashem. Thinking these thoughts will be the recipe so that you can always be happy and always be yourself, and you can finally come out of jail.

## Gold Mines

Based on the teachings of Rav Yehudah Mandel

By: R' Baruch Rosenstock

A person has to learn how to laugh easily, especially now that the month of Adar is here.



R' Mandel says the atmosphere of Purim should take you throughout the year, as Chazal say ימי פורים לא בטלו.

His Rebbe, R' Gershon Liebman always seemed to be laughing about something. The Eibeshter likes happy campers just like a father who likes when his kids are always smiling. Even when things don't look great, a person should be in the laughing mode.



We see this with R' Akiva; when the other ta'naim we're crying he was laughing, and at the end they were all maskim to him. In fact, R' Akiva was the one who said the famous "kol man d'ovid rachmana l'tav ovid" and his rebbe was Nochum Ish Gam Zu who said the famous words "gam zu l' toivah".

Indeed, if you live with Hashem and work on your midos, you'll become free and you'll laugh more easily.



Enjoy this world! It's a beautiful place! Get up and dance! Yes, life is a bowl of cherries.

# MAZEL TOV!

Mazal Tov to R' Shmuel Binyomin Elefant and family (Chestnut Ridge, New York) on the birth of a new baby girl!



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### Question of the Month:

Where in the pasuk of *מה אנוש כי תזכרנו וכן אדם כי תפקדנו* (Tehillim 8: 5) is there a *remez* to the beracha of Asher Yatzar?

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### Letters from the Readers

#### A Kabalah with Strength

*Yasher ko'ach* on your leaflet! You asked for comments or personal stories, so I will quickly share something.

After Simchas Torah I felt I had to do something as a *zechus* for Klal Yisrael. I was looking to take a *kabalah* in an area that would be significant and not easy for me, but on the other hand, would be something that I could really keep. After a few days of feeling lost about what to do, I thought about the fact that frequently I would need to say Asher Yatzar when I was in the middle of something. Therefore, since I wanted to rush back to what I was doing, I would tend to hurry the beracha. So, I accepted upon myself to say the beracha without rushing or starting to go to where I had to go, and then to say a short tefillah for the wounded and the soldiers and Klal Yisroel. Since I want the *zechus* for the tefilla to be *miskabel*, I have been successful in the kabala. (If I start to hurry, it's during the tefilla, and not while saying Asher Yatzar).

Now that I have been saying the beracha more slowly, I was *zoche* to the following realization. We are thanking Hashem for the fact that our most lowly needs receive the attention to be brought before the *Kisei Hakavod*, and this is because these needs are necessary for us to be able to stand in front of Him.

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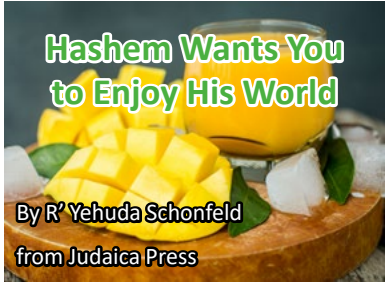
#### Message from the Founder of Asher to the Yatzar - R' Yossi Hecht

In the past I discussed the fact that Yidden are above *teva*. Now I would like to delve deeper and better understand why we are not bound by the laws of nature. My rebbe, Rav Elisha Sandler shlit"א told over a beautiful *vort* from Rav Tzadok Hacoheh. Our matriarch Sara didn't have a womb, yet Hashem performed a *neis* and she bore Yitzchak Avinu. Why did his birth have to be in such a manner? True, we know that Hashem wants the *tefillos* of *tzaddikim*, but still, couldn't Sara have given birth when she was fertile?

Rav Tzadok answers that it seemed impossible for a 90-year-old woman to give birth at such an old age. Yet, Hashem made the very first birth of a Jew through a *neis*, in order to set a precedent for the future generations of Yidden. We must know that embedded in our DNA is that we are privy to merit miracles.

Accordingly, we must recognize that even when the situation seems bleak, a Yid never gives up hope. As the Gemara (Berachos 10a) says: "Even if a sharp sword is resting upon a person's neck, he should not prevent himself (from praying) for mercy." Fortunately, we have the opportunity to tap into these miracles in the berachos of Refaeinu and Asher Yatzar. In the *zechus* of this recognition, may Hashem heal and protect our brethren in Eretz Hakodesh, along with healing all other cholim in Klal Yisroel, with the coming of Moshiach, *b'mheira b'yameinu*.





By R' Yehuda Schonfeld  
from Judaica Press

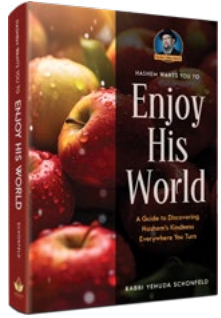
**Questioner:**  
"What would you say is the purpose of this world?"

**Rav Avigdor Miller, zt"l:**  
"Now, this world, we have to realize, was made for the purpose of having pleasure ... "... People not accustomed to thinking about this won't appreciate that. You have to spend part of your lives studying the subject [of] how good this world is. You have to study that."

**Enjoying Life**

The world we live in is amazing, spectacular, full of wonder and things to enjoy — and that's just in Brooklyn! Living in such a great world should be an incredibly enjoyable experience and bring a person deep satisfaction. But enjoying life is not a simple matter. Can a person enjoy life if he feels that life is unfair? Can he enjoy life when he's in a bad mood? Of course not. And can he

fully enjoy his life if he's not even aware of most of the fantastic, amazing enjoyments in this beautiful, good world? Not really. A person can only enjoy something he is aware of. And many, many people are not aware of all the enjoyable, exciting things that Hashem provides for us every day of our lives. Even things we are aware of often go unnoticed, buried by the hustle of our daily routines, until eventually they fade into the background of our lives. Therefore, it would be a terrific investment of our time to discover and re-discover all the good in our lives. With just some learning, thinking, and awareness we can begin to truly enjoy our lives.



Part One of this book addresses why enjoying life is so important. Part Two discusses many of the wonderful, enjoyable things in our world that we barely think about — or were never aware of.

But first, some photos to remind us of how wonderful the world is: (Here the book features numerous magnificent, full-page photographs to demonstrate the beauty of the world.)

**Thinking About others**

**By: Amrom Weinstein - South Fallsburg, New York**

Harav Mordechai Gifter was once on a plane flying back to Cleveland. Right before the plane took off, a bachur from Telshe Yeshiva in Cleveland came on. He was taking someone's seat who had backed out last minute so he did not have any meals.  
Later, when everyone was getting their meals on the plane, a meal came to Rav Gifter. Rav Gifter refused to take it and told them to give it to this bachur instead. When the bachur saw that Rav Gifter gave him his meal, he asked Rav Gifter why he gave it to him. Rav Gifter responded, "When you get back to yeshiva, there won't be any food left, but when I come back home, there will be food in my house."



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*Dear Roses among thorns,  
diamonds, and Jewels:  
We need not fear the plots  
of the wicked and the fools.*

*We have survived thousands of years  
by nais after nais after nais  
while our enemies have disappeared  
without as much as a trace.*

*If we are, chas v'shalom, threatened  
by the remnant of Yishmael and Amalaik  
we finish one parsha, start the next  
and shout Chazak Chazak V"Neetchazkaik.*

*We know our guardian is not asleep.  
We no longer ask maayin ezri yavo..  
We trust in He who created heaven and earth.  
We are sure Ayn Od Milvado!*

*For forty years, Who fed us Mon  
the heavenly delight?  
quenched our thirst from a rock?  
vanquished every viper before it could bite?*

*Should we shelter under a tree  
or perhaps plant a kikayon  
when we can find refuge under the wings  
of our own personal Kail Elyon?*

*The degraded of heart prefer  
a manmade roof over schach.*



*We bask under His Glory.  
We rely only on Ha Kol Yachol, Yisborach!*

*Those who depend  
on the work of the yad*

*forget He who makes hands move:  
the One and Only G-d.*

*All the money in the world  
and one is still poor  
if one doesn't know Who makes  
the seas dry or roar.*

*We are lambs under His cloak,  
always on our lips the Shema;  
confident that Hashem Echod manages ev-  
ery detail  
with Hashgacha Pratis and Siata D'Shema-  
ya.*

*Hashem is our shadow.  
He holds our hands and shares our loss.  
He protects those who seek His protec-  
tion  
from those who are no more than dross.*

*He consoles the shvooray laiv:  
He Who mchabaish atzivom  
with His unconditional love  
of every Yid, bli dy ad olom.*

*We wait for our Redeemer  
to make Geulah Sheleima tifrach.  
In the meantime, we joyfully dance  
hakafot while singing praises of Ha Kol  
Yachol, Yisborach.*

*They will run for their lives  
learning the true meaning of pachad  
while we enjoy rov oz v'shalom,  
achim b'yachad.*

*When the third and final House of G-d  
descends,*

*speedily, im yirtzeh Hashem, from On High*

*We will serve Him in unity b'simcha  
and the whole world will know  
Am Yisrael Chai!*

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# A Faint Whiff Of Hashem's Unlimited Wisdom and Kindness

The ability that Hakadosh Baruch Hu gave us to speak softly or loudly is something which is of vital importance to us. When someone finds himself in a dangerous situation where he needs outside assistance to extract himself from, how can he make other people aware of his predicament? If the situation is one that needs an immediate solution, you cannot afford the time to relay the message through body language, notes or whispering. He needs to scream loudly. This will immediately relay the message even to people who are far away from him. They will hear the unusual sound and hopefully rush to his rescue.

This also serves as an important deterrant to criminals. One of the things that stop criminals from committing crimes when other people are around is because they are afraid of being apprehended by other people who are in the vicinity. They do not want to attract any extra attention to themselves. It just takes one short scream to rally up the neighborhood. If we didn't have the ability to scream, what would deter them?

For example, what would deter a ganav from walking off with someone's purse on a busy street corner? Hakadosh Baruch Hu gave us the ability to scream for our safety and protection. Even though this is not an everyday occurrence, if it protects a person once in his lifetime, then it's

already a very important gift.

Someone who invested money in a fire alarm for his house and he just needed it once does not feel that it is extra.

We just mentioned the ability that Hashem gave us to scream out loudly and protect ourselves from



danger. This is also important for a person who got locked into a room and needs to attract the attention of somebody outside. If a person was only given the ability to speak in a regular mono-tone, he would not be able to notify others of his predicament and he would be stuck there for a long time.

If we are misbonen in this, we will realize that not only is this the tool that we took advantage of once or twice in our lifetime, but it's a gift that each one of us used thousands

**Answers for the Parsha Game page 19**  
**Dog:** Hashem said we should throw the treats to the dog.  
**Sowed field:** Six years you should plant your field but not on the seventh year.

and thousands of times. We were thousands of times in situations that we needed help and we screamed for it. For the first two years of our lives, we couldn't express ourselves verbally. When we were hungry, thirsty, dirty, tired or uncomfortable, we did not have the ability to clearly articulate our needs. Hakadosh Baruch Hu gave us the ability to scream and cry with a loud shrill voice, notifying everyone around us that we need something. Then it became the job of those around us to figure out what that something is.

Parents who are r"l deaf are not able to hear their young babies when they cry. They have to find other means to notify themselves, like vibrators, to know if in middle of the night their baby woke up. This same issue applies to a mute baby.

B"H we are able to scream!

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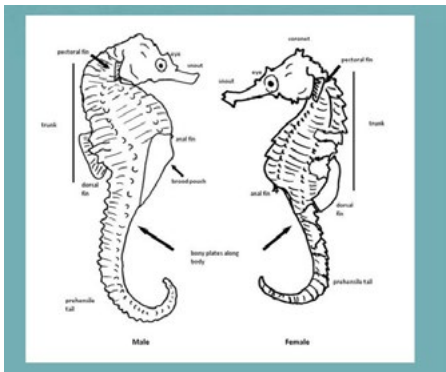
# The Universe

## A Divine Masterpiece

Perfection - Precision - Brilliance - Kindness - Power - Ingenuity - Dominance - Foreknowledge - Goodness -

### The unique and amazing Seahorse and Seadragon.

Hashem often gives us a gift in nature that shows us that Hashem is CLEARLY



the Creator of that particular creature. A seahorse is surely one of those very unique creatures.

Now, even though officially a seahorse is a fish, it really has almost nothing in common with fish except that it breathes through gills like all other fish and it has the special swim bladder that most fish have that help them with their floating capabilities. Otherwise, it is completely UNIQUE in the fish world!

We will go from its head to its tail. Well, firstly, it swims vertically and do not swim horizontally like ALL other fish swim. (The only exception is the razorfish which also swims vertically.)

It has a head shaped like a horse with a long snout, hence it's called a seahorse!

THEIR EYES are from the very few creatures that can move their eyes independently of each other. That means that one eye can be looking up and back and the other is looking down and forward at the same time, and its brain can process both visions at the same time. This helps is be able to be very aware of

any food that might be coming its way.

They have unique fins. (See the picture.) They have pectoral fins by their neck area. These help it steer right or left. They have a dorsal fin on its back which helps it move around. The dorsal fins move back and forth from 35 to 70 times per SECOND. That's EXTREMELY fast. They also have an anal fin, and it's not clear what their exactly function is.

Most fish have their bones/skeleton on the inside with the fish flesh surrounding them. Seahorse's have their fish flesh on the inside. They are surrounded with a VERY UNIQUELY structured outer skeleton. It has about 10-18 bony rings surrounded by tight thin skin (they have no scales). This is why you see in the pictures what looks like separate sections going down it's whole body until the bottom of its tail.



It has no teeth and it has no stomach! It just has intestines. Seahorse are eating throughout the day. The reason is that since they have no stomach, they can't hold their food too long, so for proper nutrition it needs to constantly eat and their body is able to get enough nutrition from all that food. They suck in the food through their snout. It works like a straw. (Obviously they can only eat small creatures swimming by.)

PREHENSILE TAIL. – What fish have

tails? None. Their tails work like a monkey's tail. It can grab on to things very tightly. It's actually very important to the seahorse to be able to do so. Since they don't move around much, they anchor themselves to different sea plants and they camouflage themselves there. What's this about camouflaging themselves?

Seahorses are from the select creatures that can change its colors to blend in with their background. In this case it's the color of the plant that it's holding on to that it will copy. This keeps it camouflaged. Now, to go into the whole miracle of being able to change your colors to match your background is not for this article, but OBVIOUSLY it's a very complicated process that takes a bunch of cooperating parts and chemicals in the body and in its brain for it to work efficiently. Another miracle!

Basically, seahorse's have no predators. No other fish want to eat it since it has this unpalatable hard skeleton. Larger fish may end up swallowing them, more by mistake then on purpose. Their life span is about three years and then they die.

THE MEN HAVE THE BABIES WHICH THEY HOLD IN A KANGAROO LIKE POUCH!!! If

all the above differences weren't amazing enough, here's the clincher! If you look at the





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picture you will see that the male seahorse has what's called a brood



pouch. It's very similar to the pouch of a Kangaroo! The mother lays a bunch of eggs into the pouch and the eggs develop in the father's pouch. (The number of eggs deposited can be quite a lot, sometimes numbering in the hundreds.) After about 2-4 weeks of development, they hatch out of the eggs alive and the

father lets them out of his pouch. They come out looking exactly like the adults, just in a miniature version. (See the picture) They are completely on their own. What stupendous UNIQUENESS the seahorse has!! No other fish in the ocean has all these unique characteristics! Hashem has gone out of His way to show us that He is not beholden to any "rules" how nature has to work. He can create all different types of creatures; vastly different than one other, and they all work just fine!

Sea dragons. Sea dragons are basically exactly the same as regular seahorse's with the exception that they don't have

a prehensile tail. They DO HAVE AN ABSOLUTELY AMAZING CAMOUFLAGE (besides also being able to change colors) which looks exactly like sea weed, thereby being unnoticed by the creatures they wish to get close to, to be able to eat them. See the picture. Quite amazing!



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1. Flee, as far and as fast as you can, from a fight.
2. Maintain a safe distance from fights - a minimum of 1000 miles.
3. Drown yourself in all the good Hashem gives you and be as uninterested as possible in anything else.
4. Someone said something hurtful? DON'T be hurtful back. It's extremely flammable!
5. Laugh it off (inside).

**REMEMBER:**

**Practicing Safety Saves Lives!**





# 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.

Different germs and bacteria grow in the soil to improve the soil for the growth of the plants. The seed reacts with the water to start to decompose. This enables that the water should continue to make the seed rot. Water is made of two gases. The soil is a cool atmosphere. Soil is porous allowing it to absorb water which is a necessity for the seed. This causes the seed to decompose when you put the seed in the earth. No matter how the seed is placed in the soil, the root goes down. The stem goes up no matter how it is placed. The plant survives on rainwater. The ocean is full of salt water which cleanses the water from impurities. The sun shines on the water. The sun is millions of miles away and yet it has an effect on earth. If the sun would be too close it would burn the earth. If the sun would be too far, the world would freeze. The sun is a ball of gases. The sun constantly gives off heat by chemical reactions. The molecular structure of water is so that when it gets hot, it starts to change. The water turns into water vapor. Water vapor is lighter than air, so it rises. The sun sets in order to let the



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 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.

earth have a rest and certain insects work at night. Gravity brings down the water to the earth. There is a negative cloud. There is a positive cloud. When they rub together they make lightning. Lightning travels to the ground. The lightning has tremendous heat. The air has in it a gas called nitrogen. The lightning makes a chemical reaction with the nitrogen making nitrates. The nitrates are a very good fertilizer to help the growth of the plants. The stem starts to push itself out of the soil. The sunlight has energy. The plants know how to absorb the energy. The plant turns green called photosynthesis. As the plant grows the roots also grow in order that the plant shouldn't fall down. The roots absorb the water. The roots send water to the whole plant. The roots send water to the whole plant. The leaves send energy to the whole plant. Carbon dioxide is made up of two different elements. The leaves absorb the CO2. The leaves give off oxygen as by-product. When all the CO2 in the vicinity of the plant gets used,

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 and are the exact time the plants need water.
83. The amount is not too much to drench them.
84. It doesn't come too forcefully.
85. It doesn't come too little for the plants.
86. Sometimes it comes like small needles to penetrate the ground.
87. It doesn't keep on pouring which would also drown the plants.
88. The plant stem starts to rise straight up and it is elevated from the ground enabling it to be cut easier.
89. They grow in a straight line so they don't get tangled.
90. Very bendable to they don't break in the wind. The leaves absorb the nutrients and bring it down to the roots.
91. Each one miraculously knows how much to give to each part of the plant.
92. After the stem reaches a certain height it starts to produce the grain.
93. The grain is on the top where it can get the most sunlight and not be affected by the shade of the stem.

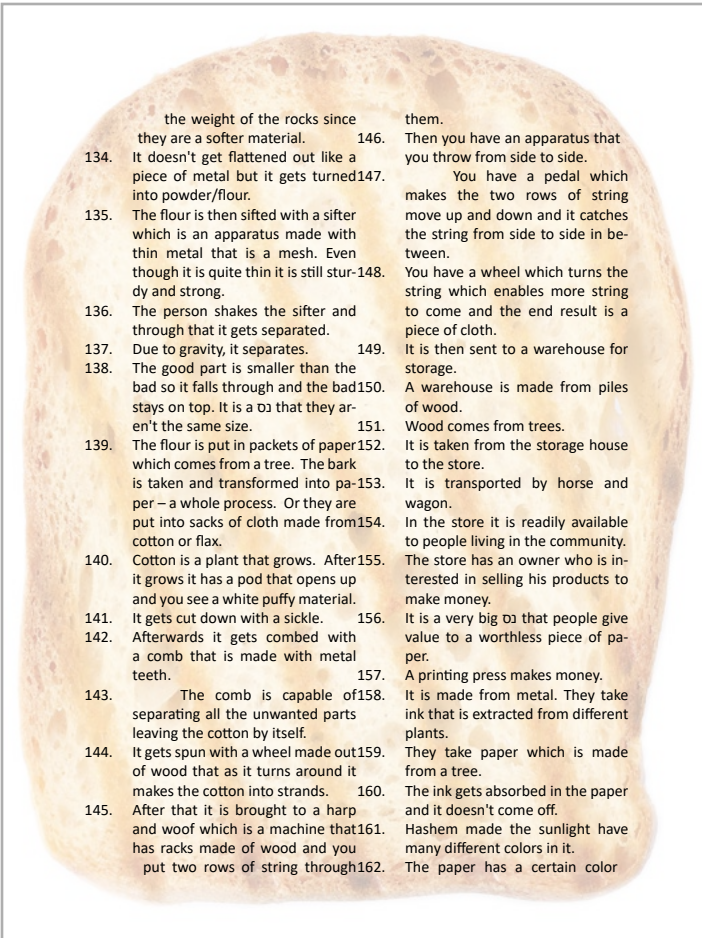
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105. Their stalks can be used as string.
106. String enables one to tie the sheaths and transports them easily.
107. The sun dries them out and can stay as kernels a long time without spoiling.
108. The kernel is made up of (at least) two parts, the grain and the shell (chaff) which is made to protect the kernel from spoiling.
109. 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.
110. Wood comes from a tree that grows very tall and has a big trunk that is quite strong unlike the stalk of the wheat.
111. The wood can be carved in different shapes without breaking and it is made into ridges to press on the wheat kernels.
112. The man stands on the wood and hold onto straps which hold onto an animal that goes around in circles etc.
113. The straps that the man holds onto are made of leather.
114. Leather comes from the hide of an animal.
115. Leather is formed by a process called tanning and it is very durable and lasts a long time.
116. Salt is used for tanning.
117. Salt is made of two gases.
118. 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 de-

mands and is happy to go around in circles. 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. Hashem made that the chaff is lighter than the kernel so when it is thrown in the air it gets separated easily. Also, the good stays in one place and the bad part gets blown away. The grain is thrown in the air with the strength of one person. It is thrown up with a pitchfork which is a tool made of metal and wood. Thank Hashem for gravity or they would never land or the wind is not so strong to blow it away. 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. To carve out a rock you need a chisel which is metal and when it is shaped a certain way it can penetrate rock. A hammer is made of wood and metal and you hit it on the chisel and it knocks away at the rock. 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. The wagon needs wheels that are carved from wood in a circle. The wheel has spokes which displaces the pressure evenly so it shouldn't break. Horses which are strong animals can pull heavy loads and are easily tamed. The wheat kernel is put in between the rocks and they get crushed by





the weight of the rocks since they are a softer material. 146. Then you have an apparatus that you throw from side to side. 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. You have a wheel which turns the string which enables more string to come and the end result is a piece of cloth. It is then sent to a warehouse for storage. A warehouse is made from piles of wood. Wood comes from trees. It is taken from the storage house to the store. It is transported by horse and wagon. In the store it is readily available to people living in the community. The store has an owner who is interested in selling his products to make money. It is a very big **בן** that people give value to a worthless piece of paper. A printing press makes money. It is made from metal. They take ink that is extracted from different plants. They take paper which is made from a tree. The ink gets absorbed in the paper and it doesn't come off. Hashem made the sunlight have many different colors in it. The paper has a certain color

134. It doesn't get flattened out like a piece of metal but it gets turned into powder/flour.

135. The flour is then sifted with a sifter which is an apparatus made with thin metal that is a mesh. Even though it is quite thin it is still sturdy and strong.

136. The person shakes the sifter and through that it gets separated.

137. Due to gravity, it separates.

138. The good part is smaller than the bad so it falls through and the bad stays on top. It is a **בן** that they aren't the same size.

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.

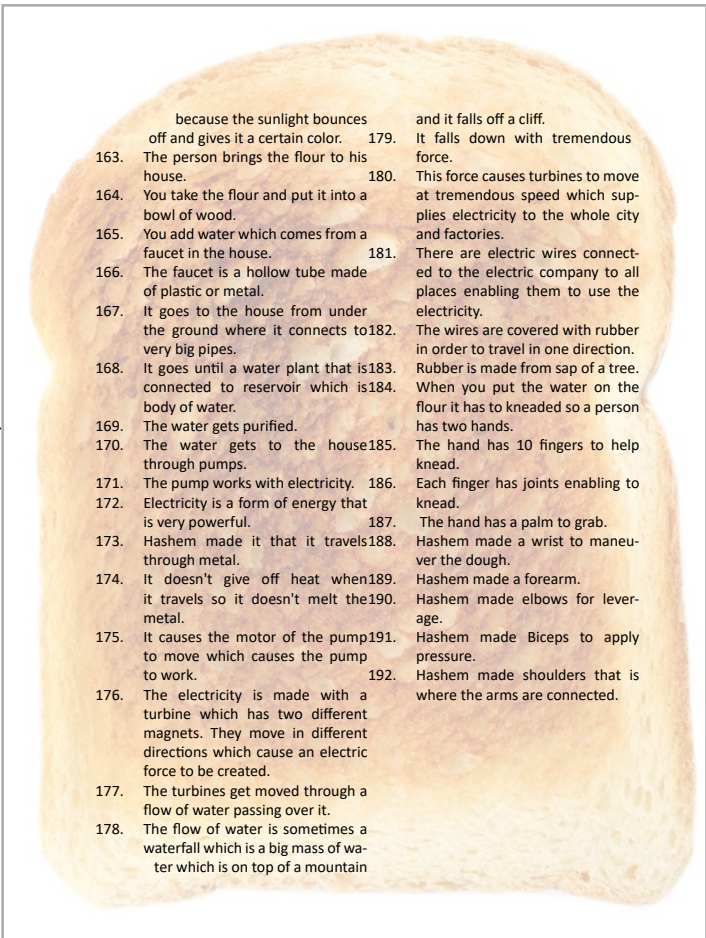
140. Cotton is a plant that grows. After it grows it has a pod that opens up and you see a white puffy material. It gets cut down with a sickle.

141. Afterwards it gets combed with a comb that is made with metal teeth.

142. The comb is capable of separating all the unwanted parts leaving the cotton by itself.

143. It gets spun with a wheel made out of wood that as it turns around it makes the cotton into strands.

144. After that it is brought to a harp and wool which is a machine that has racks made of wood and you put two rows of string through



because the sunlight bounces off and gives it a certain color. 179. It falls down with tremendous force.

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 the body of water.

169. The water gets purified.

170. The water gets to the house through pumps.

171. The pump works with electricity.

172. Electricity is a form of energy that is very powerful.

173. Hashem made it that it travels through metal.

174. It doesn't give off heat when it travels so it doesn't melt the metal.

175. It causes the motor of the pump to move which causes the pump to work.

176. The electricity is made with a turbine which has two different magnets. They move in different directions which cause an electric force to be created.

177. The turbines get moved through a flow of water passing over it.

178. The flow of water is sometimes a waterfall which is a big mass of water which is on top of a mountain

180. This force causes turbines to move at tremendous speed which supplies electricity to the whole city and factories.

181. There are electric wires connected to the electric company to all places enabling them to use the electricity.

182. The wires are covered with rubber in order to travel in one direction. Rubber is made from sap of a tree. When you put the water on the flour it has to kneaded so a person has two hands.

183. The hand has 10 fingers to help knead.

184. Each finger has joints enabling to knead.

185. The hand has a palm to grab.

186. Hashem made a wrist to maneuver the dough.

187. Hashem made a forearm.

188. Hashem made elbows for leverage.

189. Hashem made Biceps to apply pressure.

190. Hashem made shoulders that is where the arms are connected.

♪ הזן את העולם כולו בטוב!!! ♪

193  
Hashem made a chest.

194  
Hashem made chest muscles.

195  
Hashem made a spine to able to move back and forth.

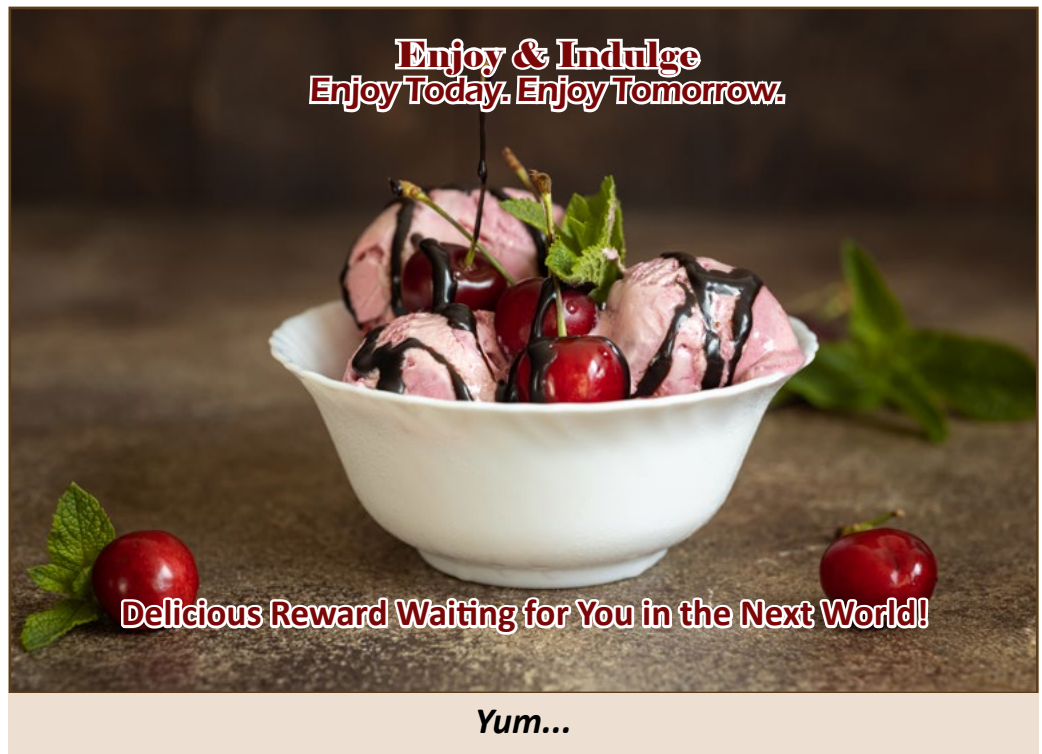
196  
Hashem made it with these things one can apply pressure to knead.

197  
It is a nes that the water and flour form a new entity called dough.

198  
There is a bacteria called yeast.



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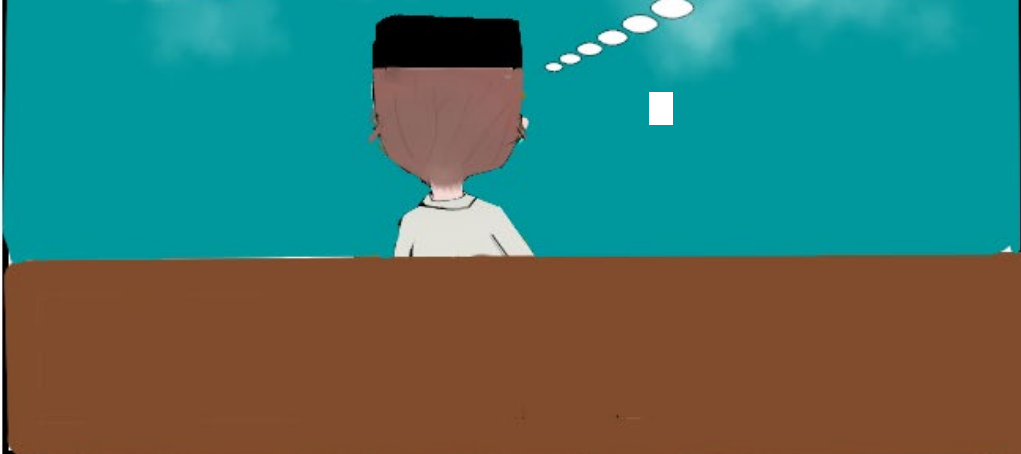
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A relative of the Chafetz Chayim went to the tzadik for a bracha for his trip to America. The gadd said to find a sponsor, for his sefer in America

Baruch Hashem I'm already into the trip. Water is surrounding the boat on all sides, and there are only a few weeks left!



A STORM IS APPROACHING!!!  
THE SHIP'S TURNING OVER  
WE'RE ALL GONNA DIE!  
The decks are flooding, both lower and upper!

The boat is shaking but, I'm a shaliach mitzva from the Heilige Chafetz Chayim. I don't need to worry!



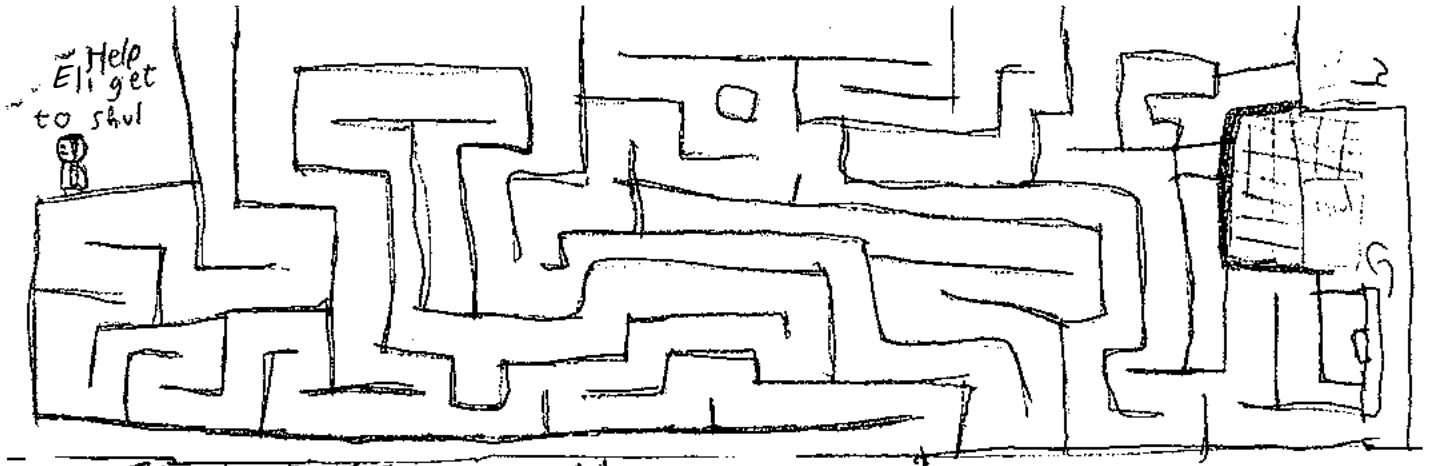
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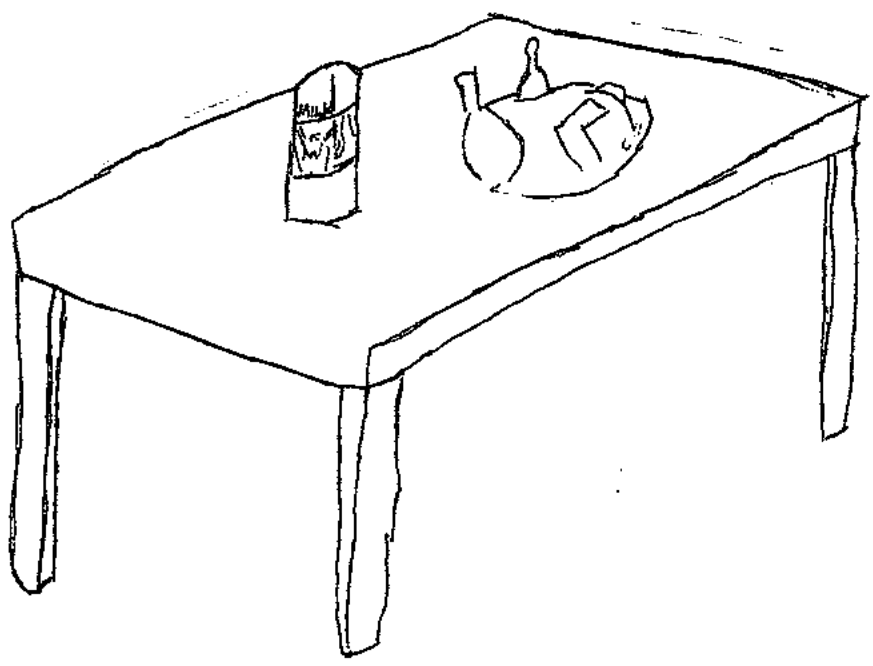
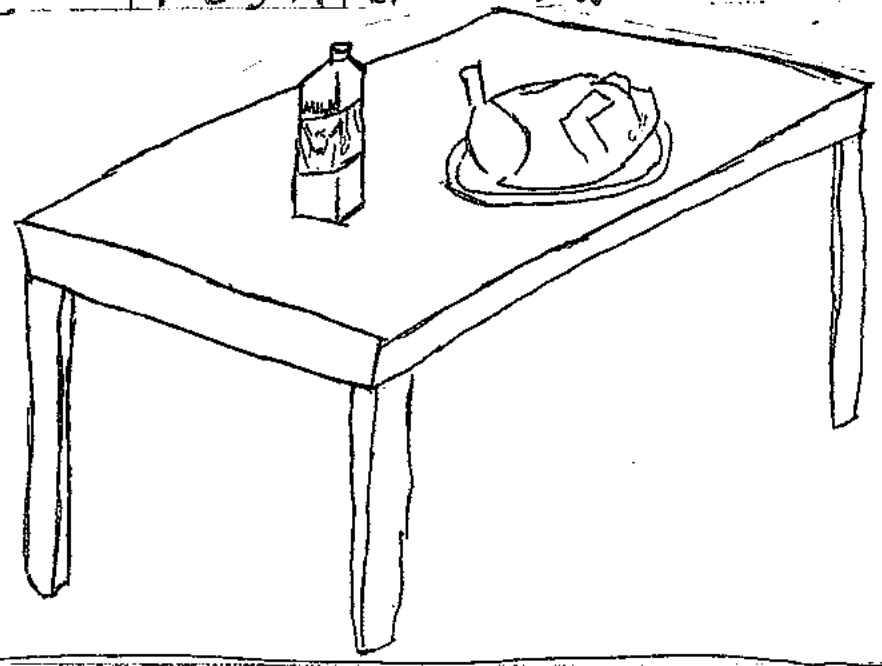
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Find 5 Differences !!



# RIDDLE

Q What is Fast, loud, and crunchy?

A: Rocket chips!

## Unscramble

- ① s t d s r e e
- ② s m h h e a
- ③ m t s i a m p i
- ④ g a n c s a h a h  
t p a s r i
- ⑤ w l s a

- ① Dessert
- ② Hashem
- ③ Mishpatim
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- ⑤ Laws

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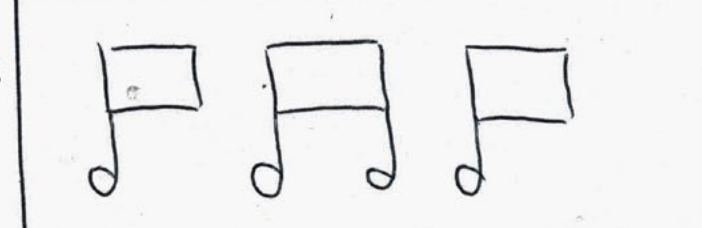
ERTMIDDOSALERTMIDDOSAL Peretz Kangoo, age 10

Yeshivas chachamim



Where's the music coming from?

TTO: Od Yishama  
 When a teacher/parent walks in derech erez, you stand up, no fooling around in class and when a parent tells you so, do clean up, when a parents speaks, listen like Peretz, and now you know the middah of derech erez!!!





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**Rav Avigdor Miller Speaks  
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Life with Bitachon**



Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

# 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

he has power and what he says goes. We look at these kinds of people as scary. We look at them as having a stick in their hand ready to beat us up if we do anything wrong. We don't want to have any shaychus or a connection to these types of people. We want to stay far away from them. We don't want to be on their bad side. We're scared of them. Nowadays, most people associate yiras Hashem with those kind of feelings. They feel that Hashem is out to get us, to punish us, to take revenge, show us Who's boss, to put us in our place. That brings them further away from Hashem and that type of yirah is the type of yirah you have to stay faaaaaaar away from!

In the olden days, yiras haonesh, fear of punishment, was used in a positive way. It motivated people to become closer to Hashem, because they said, 'Wow, look, we want to make sure that we're perfect. Look how careful we have to be!' Also, they viewed onesh in a positive way, that Hashem is giving them soap and shampoo if they do anything wrong. So they viewed everything positively. Yiras hachet, of onesh, is what brought them even closer to Hashem. They viewed it as, 'We have to be perfect, and if we aren't, then Hashem wants to clean up the stains by giving us a shower.' However, for most of us, nowadays, we're not able to associate yiras haonesh with positive thoughts, so we should stay away from this type of yirah.

Then there's another type of yirah called yiras harommemus, which makes it that you're like WOW! You're awed by it; you're inspired by it. The difference between the first type and the second type is that by the first type you want to run away as soon as you can, no shaychus, no connection. The second type you want to become closer and you're like wow! If you see an awesome sight, wow, this is awesome! Like the water at Niagra Falls, mountains, hills – wow! You're blown away! Blown away. That blown away feeling makes you have positive emotions and that's a good thing.

That's the answer to the questions. Hakadosh Baruch Hu wanted Moshe Rabbeinu to reach the highest level. Now, the highest level is when you realize that there's nothing to be nispael about except from Hashem. Hashem is the only thing you can get excited about. That's why he had to stay away from other people, because when you look at a chashuv person, you think of them as having chashivus. Hashem wanted Moshe Rabbeinu to remove himself from people to realize that we don't get excited over people, because people are nothing more than just how Hashem programmed them. All their chashivus and awesomeness is from Hashem. Thinking these kinds of thoughts will bring a person to become closer to Hashem.

For example, R' Yehuda Mandel said over from R' Aharon Kotler that "yamim noraim" means Days of Awesome. You know what's awesome? The amount of chesed and rachamim Hashem is going to shower us with this year! If anyone would see the amount of chesed, they would be so inspired they would just run to be closer to Hashem and love Hashem.

Similarly, the Zohar says that if you would realize and see how awesome Hashem is, you would scream like a lion on top of your lungs, you'd get so excited. Just like we scream when we see an exciting thing, look! Look! And we get all excited. Wow! Beautiful! Magnificent!

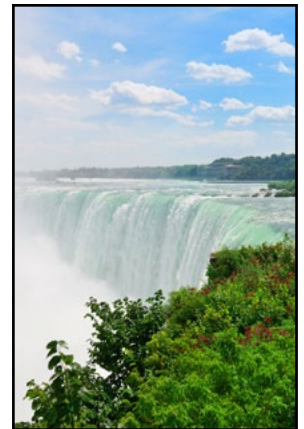
So the teretz is that whenever the Gemara refers to yirah, it's referring to a yirah that brings you closer to Hashem and that's a beautiful thing. But nowadays, for most people, because we don't have a healthy relationship with Hashem – because we have negative associations with schar v'onesh and we feel that if we do something wrong Hashem is going to get back at us and Hashem is going to take revenge and get angry – the concept of yirah gives us a very bleak picture which makes our relationship with Hashem very unhealthy. Therefore, we have to go to the opposite extreme. This

Q: The Gemara Yuma 4b brings from R' Masya Ben Cheresch that Hashem called Moshe Rabeinu up to Har Sinai for 6 days (to get the second luchos) to keep him in solitude away from people so he should be in a state of fear when he goes into Machana Shechina to receive the Torah. (לאיים עליו). The Gemara brings the Pasuk וגילו ברעדה.

1. We hear on 'A Life with Bitachon' that Hashem is kulo love and rachamim. Why did He want Moshe Rabeinu to be scared and afraid? Why should Moshe be afraid of Someone so loving and caring? And in general how do we understand the Mitzvah of Yirah. It seems like we are supposed to be fearful, scared and distanced from Hashem. It seems like the opposite message of what we hear on 'A Life with Bitachon'.

2. Why doesn't 'A Life with Bitachon' focus on Yirah?

A: Nowadays, most people associate the word yirah with negative thoughts. We think of a judge, a terrorist, a dictator;



Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

## 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

is what R' Moshe Feinstein writes in Darash Moshe in chelek beis on the word Elul. He has a paragraph about Elul and it says that Elul is Ani Ledodi V'dodi Li, you have to make Hashem your Beloved. How do you make Hashem your Beloved? Zugt R' Moshe, in the olden days they could do it through yirah, through onesh, through gehinnom, because that made Hashem look awesome, look wow, look at Hashem, look at His power, look at his might! Those are all things that drew people closer to Hashem. Wow, let's do everything perfect because we only want Olam Habah and Gan Eden. So those were all motivating factors in bringing people closer to Hashem. But nowadays we associate yiras haonesh with a dictator, something scary, something frightening, something we don't want to have a shaychus with.

So bottom line is, there's yiras haromemmus which is the highest level, where you're so awestruck, you're thinking, "Wow, Hashem's amazing, wow!" And you chap we only should get excited about Hashem, not about human beings, because then you're turning human beings into getchkas, avoda zarah, which we don't want anyone to do. That was the chet of the egel, they turned Moshe Rabbeinu into a getchka, they got too excited over a human being. That's what Hashem was telling Moshe, don't get excited about human beings, only about Hashem. Then there's yiras haonesh, which in the olden days motivated them in a positive way, but nowadays most of us have no shaychus to this. Nowadays, most people associate yirah with thinking that chas v'shalom, Hashem is out to get us, to punish us, to take revenge, show us Who's boss, put us in our place. That brings us further away from Hashem and that type of yirah you have to stay faaar away from! Actually, the Chozeh M'Lublin says that one of the simanim before Mashiach is yiras hachet yimaasu, we're going to be disgusted from yiras hachet. The Chozeh M'Lublin writes that Chazal aren't saying something derogatory, they're saying that the way Klal Yisrael is going to connect to Hashem before Mashiach is only through positive, only through love, only through ahava. That's why a Life With Bitachon only focuses on positive, because that's the way we connect to Hashem nowadays.

The most important thing is that every person has to connect to Hashem in a positive way. You have to have positive emotions towards Hashem, positive feelings. However a person is able to do that, that's the way the person should do it. In the olden days, most people were able to do it through yiras haromemmus and through yiras haonesh, because they had a healthy relationship with Hashem, and they viewed everything in a positive light, and they didn't have any negative emotions towards anything.

Nowadays, we associate onesh and gehinnom as negative, so if we focus on onesh and gehinnom we'll automatically view Hashem in a negative light chas v'shalom, therefore we're not allowed to focus on it. Instead, we just focus on positivity. Ahava, ahava, ahava! Love, love, love! By focusing on positive associations and ahavas Hashem, that itself will be mecha-per for all our aveiros, because that's the best soap and shampoo for us. By just strengthening our positive connection with Hashem, that will give us a straight ticket to Olam Habah, and therefore for most people, through positivity alone we'll reach our level of shleimus.

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# Story Time

## Stories From 'A Life With Bitachon'



#1716- R' Greenberg was having a lot of guests for Shabbos. However, he didn't have an extra penny to his name. He needed 400 dollars to make Shabbos. He was trying to figure out where in the world he was going to come up with 400 dollars from. He didn't have a penny in his bank account!!

He was thinking to himself, "Just because I can't figure out how in the world I'm going to come up with the money, it doesn't matter. Hashem is Hakol Yachol! He

can do everything and anything! I'm just going to leave it up to Hakadosh Baruch Hu, the Ribono Shel Olam."



Later on that day, his friend called him up and said, "We have a friend who is moving out of town, and we're making a seudas preidah for him. We want to know if you want to chip in for a present." The yungerman replied to him, "I'll tell you the truth. I would like to chip in but right now, I don't have an extra penny to my name!"

His friend told him, "Oh! That's not a problem! Do you know that right now I have an extra \$400 ma'aser money? I was trying to figure out who I should give it to! If you want, I can come over and bring it to you right now!" The yungerman said to him, "Are you serious? That's exactly the amount I need for shopping!"

In no time, he got what he needed with door to door service!



# 1717- R' Miller said that one of his sons was acting out; he was full of energy. He was making a racket; he was making so much noise. He and his wife tried to calm him down. They were trying all different



kinds of hishtadlus and different methods. They gave him positive attention, they tried ignoring him; they did this and they did that. He just continued on and on. He wasn't

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stopping.

His wife said to R' Miller, "I'm getting a headache! Please stop him!" R' Miller didn't know what else he could try. He had already tried everything, and nothing had worked!

Then he said, "One second. I know what I'm going to do. I'm just going to say, "Hakadosh Baruch Hu. You're in charge of how my child behaves. You're in charge of the results of what my child does. Therefore, I'm just leaving it up to you!"

He said that it didn't take more than a half a minute, when all of sudden, his child saw something and he got side-tracked. He got distracted and he forgot about everything he was doing! The child got so busy with the new distraction. He became so calm and so relaxed! We saw that Baruch Hashem all the noise and all the racket just stopped cold turkey!



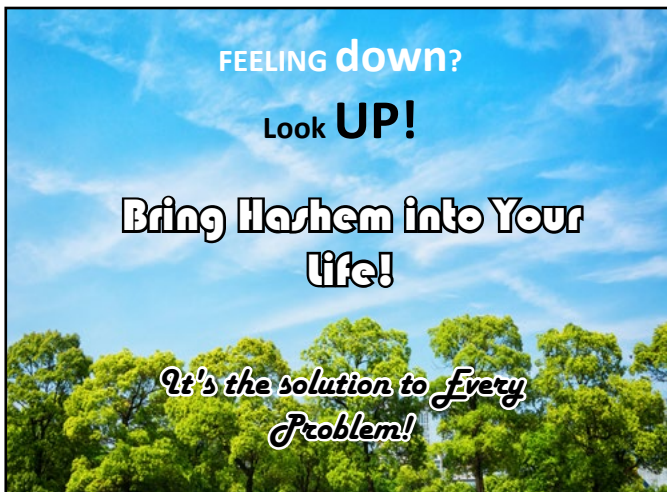
**# 1718** - Mrs. Weiderman's cleaning lady left her. She was trying to figure out where to find a new cleaning lady. She called up her friend and asked her if she had any extra hours with her cleaning lady, or if she knows of any extra help that she could have. Her friend replied, "Well, that's what everyone is looking for. Therefore, I don't think it's going to come so easy, sorry!"

Mrs. Weiderman hung up and said to herself, "What did my friend just tell me? "Don't think it's going to come so easy, because that's what everyone else is looking for." Guess what? If it's so hard to find one, I'll just leave it up to Hakadosh Baruch Hu! I'll leave it up to the Ribono Shel Olam! He's Hakol Yachol, and He can make it that it will be so easy, because Hashem is the one who is finding a cleaning lady for me." She decided to do one more hishtadlus.

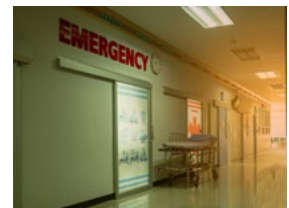
The next day, she went to the bus stop and saw another mother waiting there. She asked her if she knows of any extra cleaning help. The mother said to her, "Are you serious? I have a cleaning lady, and it's my achrayus to make sure to fill up all her hours. I was looking for someone to split her with! She comes to me all day, and I only need her half a day! Sure! You're welcome to have her whenever you like!" Just like that, she got the best cleaning lady!



**#1719** - Mrs. Weiss went to the doctor to check out something that she was concerned about. The doctor said that she should go to the emergency room. When she got there, she saw it was jam-packed. Every seat was taken. She even had to stand. They said to her, "Enjoy your stay! You're going to be here the whole night!" The emergency room was the last place she wanted to be all night, but if every last seat was taken, it would be hours and hours before it would be her turn.



Then she thought, "Who is in charge anyway? You think it's dependent on how many people there are, and because I'm behind everyone else, I'm going to be last? It's up to my loving, caring, father, Hakadosh Baruch Hu, the Ribono Shel Olam! He's Hakol Yachol! He's the one in charge!



While she was thinking that Hashem is the one in charge of getting her in quickly, she heard them calling her name! They said to her, "Come right in!" In no time, they took the tests and everything came out perfect! They let her go one, two, three with the best service! ❖



Q&A WITH R' ZEVY GOLOMBECK

# The



# Bitachon Perspective

WRITTEN BY: R' SHALOM YEDIDYA KLATZKO

**Q. I'm in the parshah of shidduchim for a long time, and it feels like a roller-coaster. So many times, I was about to get engaged, but at the last minute the other side backed out. It hurts so much to keep on getting rejected.**

**A.** There's no such thing as a shidduch 'almost working out'. Hashem already determined who your bashert is. When it's not the right one, it's not 'the other side' who's deciding to say no. It's our loving father, Hakadosh Baruch Hu, who's protecting you from marrying the wrong person.

The Sefer Chasidim writes that when a shidduch doesn't work out, you have to thank Hashem for saving you from a disaster! And if you meet so many people it is because Hashem wanted you to meet them – and for them to say no. When the right one comes, it will for sure work out, and the 'other side' will be powerless to stop it.

**Q. My daughter has been in shidduchim for a long time and no names are coming up. My daughter is taking it very hard and is shifting the blame on me.**

**Inwardly, I know that the blame is unfounded, but it makes me feel very hurt that after being such a devoted parent, instead of receiving appreciation, I'm being blamed. As a result, our relationship is turning sour.**

**A.** The reason that you're allowing your daughter's attitude to affect your relationship is because you're taking her criticism personally.

Understand, your daughter's accusations are not coming from her intellect. It's coming from her emotions. Your daughter is in acute pain.

It's a part of human nature that when a person is overwhelmed by pain and doesn't know how to deal with it, he will shift the blame on someone else. People can even fabricate stories and convince themselves that they are true, just to have someone to blame their problems on.

When you realize that your daughter has nothing personal against you, you will be able to take yourself out of the picture and focus on helping your daughter deal with pain in a healthy way.

Show your daughter that you validate her feelings of pain and frustration. Show her that you're on the same page and that you feel her pain.

After she feels that she's understood, you could offer chizuk. Explain to her that Hashem is her loving Father, and He has the most amazing shidduch waiting for her, and only He knows when the right time is to find him. And when that time comes, you won't have to wait one second more.

Furthermore, take steps to enrich your relationship with her. Focus on everything that she has going for her and how many ma'alos she has. Think about what a bracha she is in your life. The more you invest in appreciating her the more you will value your relationship with her.

Although, right now it might seem to be a one-sided relationship, with time she will soften up and come to appreciate how you were there for her in her time of need. Eventually, you will cultivate a bond even more powerful than before.

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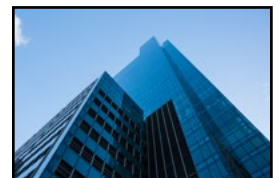
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Once I was missing some important papers, containing all my maaser and chomesh debts and other important details, and I was desperate to find them. I searched high and low for a few days. Then I remembered the Spring Hill Times. I asked Hashem to find them for me and guess what? A minute later I saw some papers on the floor by my desk, and there they were!

Another time, we had stashed a large amount of money away in the house. We searched where I thought it was and we couldn't find it. We searched all over, nothing doing. Okay, it was time to turn to Hashem to find it. Right then my wife cried: I found it! She said that

it suddenly came into her mind to look in the storage compartment under her bed and there it was! We don't remember placing it there, but Hashem did!

A few weeks ago, I was driving home and I usually try to pick up people from a bus stop going towards our home in Neve Yaakov. There is one bus stop I don't like stopping by, but this time for some reason I decided to stop there. A man got in. He said that he always gets a ride home but today his ride couldn't take him. Not only that but he wouldn't have gone to that bus stop either but he "forgot" his ride wasn't coming and waited there. Well Hashem organized that he should go to his usual stop and that I should decide to stop there on that particular day at exactly that time!! What amazing hashgachah pratis!

R. S. Neve Yaakov

## Bank on Bitachon



Last week my bank account was overdrawn and I decided I would have bitachon. Hashem then gave me the idea to check my credit card points and I was able to get my points from there that was transferrable into dollars. They put \$400 into my bank account. (Not every credit card does that but

this one was able to.) Then my account was overdrawn again the next day, so I decided that I would be mafarseim in the Spring Hill Times if I get a yeshuah. I remembered that someone owed me money and they had told me a week before that they were going to write it down and try to give it to me. I texted him to remind him, and he called me back. He asked if he could send it to me via Zelle. Baruch Hashem, that was the best way for me to get the money, and my bank went back into Black.

A Reader

## Bitachon Find



My 10-year-old daughter was missing her wallet. She looked in her drawer where she always kept it, but she couldn't find it. I told her to check her closet, but she couldn't find it there, either. I looked in her drawer and all around her room, including in her closet, but I also couldn't find it. I told her, "Im yirtzeh Hashem it will turn up when we clean for Pesach."

My daughter did not want to wait until then. She said "Hakol Yachol" a few times. My husband checked in her closet, where my daughter and I had both looked already, and Baruch Hashem, he found it!

A Reader - Monsey, New York

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# Hashem Loves You!

There are a bunch of families in Eretz Yisroel who live in a crowded multi-family apartment, and one of the families, the Goldberg family (name changed), desperately needed to do construction to expand their living space. To better accommodate their neighbors who had voiced various concerns, they built a large wall that cost twenty thousand shekels. They assumed that the various neighbors would help them by paying their share of this wall. This wall became a matter of dispute, with each side offering compelling arguments why this wall 'is really is not my responsibility'. The Machlokes snowballed into a painful situation



An Avreich in Eretz Yisroel decided to stand up for the Kavod of Hashem who loves Shalom, and wrote a check for the full twenty thousand shekels and gave it to the contractor who had built the wall, who now received payment in full and no longer charged any of the families. Shalom and simcha were restored for all.

This Avreich checked his bank statements a few months later and noticed that his check was never cashed. He asked the contractor why he never cashed the check, and the contractor responded that he had given this check directly to an Arab worker who accepted it as payment for his work, and would gladly investigate the matter further. Upon further research, the contractor discovered that the Arab worker had brought this check to the bank, and had switched the amount of the check from '20,000 Shekels' to '200,000 Shekels', simply by adding a zero to the original 20,000. The bank manager looked at the check and realized that although the numbers read as '200,000', the written part didn't match up and read only as 'עשרים אלף ש"ח' which means '20,000 Shekel' and not two hundred thousand, because the Arab forgot to change the written part. The bank manager then voided the entire check and canceled it entirely.

This Avreich was Moser Nefesh to make Shalom for Yiddeshe Mishpachos and Hashem paid him back in full by allowing him to keep all of the money that he was ready to give for Hashem! He now had the great Mitzva of Shalom along with his entire 20,000 Shekels!

HaGaon Rav Shmuel Vosner famously said those who 'give for Shalom' are paid back by Hashem in THIS WORLD (and of course in the Next World as well!)



Hashem is constantly showering us with an endless שפע of ברכה וחסד ורחמים!

The more we appreciate and thank Hashem nonstop for all of the great Chesed and goodness He is constantly sending our way, the more He will continue to send us!

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Hashem loves us!

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