The Narrow Bridge גשר צר מאוד INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES

Short Quotes from Various Tzaddikim - Week 86

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Recently, there has been an uprising in protests and internal conflict in Israel.

On the surface, this division amongst our people can seem reminiscent of the way things were prior to October 7th.

However, in truth, the passionate disagreements and varying opinions are very different this time around. For although we may not see eye to eye on the next best steps, we do all want the same outcome and results for the hostages to come home and for us to bring an end to the existential threat facing our people.

In a seemingly prophetic statement, Rav Kook describes this unity hidden within the apparent separation.

It is our fervent prayer that, as Rav Kook describes, these unprecedented moments lead to the coming of Mashiach and the ultimate redemption. Rav Kook writes:

"Close to the time of Mashiach there will be an overwhelming increase in our national unity.

The positive actions, thoughts and G-dly light that are usually found in the lives of Tzaddikim are activated throughout the nation at these times. This beauty is, however, hidden behind a veil of accusations and arguments.

But inside there is only love, and wondrous unity that awakens the collective desire for national redemption."

Similarly, when Haman plotted to eradicate the Jewish people, he said, "There is one nation, scattered and divided..."

Commenting on this, Rav Kook notes:

"Indeed, we are both 'scattered and divided' and still 'One Nation.' Don't be surprised by this; there are wonders in our world. The Jewish nation's entire existence is always hanging in the balance, and yet, somehow, we continue to survive.

That same infinite nation can be both divided and united at the same time."

RAV AVRAHAM YITZCHAK KOOK (1865-1935)

Stay strong; you never know who you are inspiring.

EMUNAH DAILY

We are told in this week's Torah portion: "If you see the donkey of your brother, or his ox, falling along the way, do not ignore them; rather, pick them up with him." (Devarim 22:4)

If this applies to his donkey or ox, surely it applies to the man himself; if you see someone falling – spiritually or physically – run to help pick them up.

CHACHAM OVADIA YOSEF (1920-2013)

When G-d tests you in ways you can't imagine, G-d is telling you that you are greater than you can imagine.

LUBAVITCHER REBBE, REB MENACHEM MENDEL SCHNEERSON (1902-1994)

Shabbos is the antidote to the frenetic pace of modern life, inviting us to slow down and savor the sacredness of time.

RABBI AVRAHAM J. TWERSKI (1930-2021)