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**Your world is so full of happiness!
Thank You Hashem! We love You Hashem!**

NEW YORK BOCHURIM TRUST IN HASHEM

It was a snowy day in upstate New York, and a few yeshiva bochurim were in a car trying to get up a steep hill. The hill was covered with snow and ice and the driver was scared to go up. He wanted to stop and let everyone out. But the bochurim said, "No! Hashem is in charge! He could make us go up!"

The five bochurim in the car then started singing נישט דא קיין טבע, נישט דא קיין מקרא Hashem is the only One..." And the car went up smoothly and nicely like never before!

OUR BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE!

R' Zevy Golombeck hosted one Shabbos, a Yid from Eretz Yisrael by the name of Eli.

He often comes to the USA to collect for his organization.

Eli told Rabbi Golombeck that his wife mentioned to him, "I noticed that whenever you come back from America, you look so refreshed and happy.

He told his wife, "The Yidden in America are so nice! They lift me up! They give me compliments! Instead of feeling like a beggar, they make me feel like a million dollars! My self-esteem rockets!"

His wife now says, "I'm sending you to America more often, simply so that you should feel good!!"

KLAL YISRAEL - A MOST MAGNIFICENT NATION

Nati*, a Yid from Yerushalayim knew of a lonely poor Yid who lived on top of a grocery.

The Yid was recently niftar.

Nati decided that he wanted to do a mitzvah. "I'll go into the grocery and find out how much money this Yid owes."

He went and asked the owner how much

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A LETTER OF BRACHA AND CHIZUK FROM THE ZIKNEI RO-
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HARAV SHMUEL KAMENSKY SHLITA
AND
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הגני בזה להכיר ולהוקיר ולהודיע בשער בת רבים פעולותיו הברוכות של המכ"ע
המפורסם והנודע "ספרינג היל טיימס", אשר מטרתו להפיץ אהבת ה' ואהבת
ישראל וכל כולו בנוי על טהרת הקודש ללא שום ידיעות חיצוניות מאומות
העולם, וכל מטרתו להביא לידיעת הציבור הרחב הדברים הטובים שהקב"ה
עושה לנו בכל יום - נפלאותיך וטובותיך שבכל עת ערב ובוקר וצהריים.

מאז הווסדו ועד עתה כבר נתפרסם ברחבי תבל - וכל איש אשר רוח התורה
נושבת בו - ויראת שמים נוגע בלבבו - קוראו בשקיקה ומביאו לתוך ביתו לזכות
את נפש ביתו - כיון שכל כולו מביע רוממותו והדרתו של עם ישראל
בהנהגותיהם בין אדם לחבירו - ולהראות טובת ה' על עמו באספקלריא של
תורה.

אך במקום גדולתו שם אתה מוצא את גרעונו הכספי, כאשר הוצאותיו עולים מדי
חודש בחדשו ושבת בשבתו - ואין לו אפשרות לכסות את עצמו - שהרי אין בו
שום פרסומת - כי כל כולו גתייסד ללא השפעות חיצוניות, ע"כ אחלה נא פני
אחי ורעי לעמוד לימין העוסקים והמסייעים בדבר זה - כדי שיוכלו להמשיך ביתר
שאת וביתר עז - לפרסם בגאון בעוז ותעצומות את דבר ה' - ולמצוה גדולה
יחשב לכל התומכים - ויזכו לברכה המשולשת בני חיי ומזונא רויחי להם וכל
אשר להם.

Handwritten signatures and notes in Hebrew, including the name "Harav Elyah Wachtfogel" and other illegible signatures.

WEEKLY NEWS ROUNDUP

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the Yid owes. "I want to pay it up."

The owner told him: "You know, you are the seventh person who came and asked me to pay this person's bills!!!" MI KE'AM-CHA YISROEL!!! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

Yes! No doubt about it! Klal Yisrael is the most beautiful nation that ever existed!!!

HASHEM - THE TRUE DOCTOR

Rafi* from Kiryat Gat had a son who had an eye infection.

They went to the doctor, and the doctor told them that it would go away in three days.

Three days came and went but it didn't go away.

They went back to the doctor, and he gave an even stronger medication.

But it still didn't go away.

They went back to the doctor, and he prescribed something even stronger!

The problem was that it was Erev Shabbos

and they didn't have time to go to the pharmacy.

So Rafi turned to Hashem and said: "You are the Rofei Choilim! I'm sending an email to you!"

From then on, it kept getting better, and after Shabbos, the eye infection was gone! He didn't have to take any medication!!! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

EVERYTHING IS FOR THE BEST!

One day, a Yid forgot to take his lunch to Kollel.

So he went back home.

When he got there, he found that he had forgotten to turn off the fire on the stove! What a miracle that he forgot his lunch! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

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THE POWER OF PRAYER!

A Yid shared the following story:

"My daughter was getting married in two weeks, and I still didn't find an apartment for the couple. I was under a lot of pressure. So I went to daven. I poured out his heart to Hashem.

After davening, I saw on my phone a missed call. The person had the perfect apartment! It was a great deal, and it worked out amazing!" [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]



Hashem's beautiful snow last week in Chestnut Ridge, New York.

YID IS KIND TO ANOTHER YID

"Can you please do me a favor and cash in my check?" Asked a Yid to Shaya Ross.*

"Sure," answered Shaya, "Here take cash, and give me the check."

Later in day,

WEEKLY NEWS ROUNDUP

Shaya was in Shul, and his wallet fell out of his pocket.

Later on, he got a phone call from the person that gave him a check. "Somebody found your wallet. There were no simonim. It only had a check with my name on it!"

Shaya saw clearly how in the zechus that he cashed this check, he was able to get his wallet back! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

HASHEM LOVES US!

A Yid said over that even though Baruch Hashem there was a lot of rain in Eretz Yisrael, whenever it was time for the kids to go to school and come home,

it stopped!

He spoke to his brother-in-law from Tifrach, and he said that in all the years they lived in Tifrach, they also noticed that every time the kids go and come from school the rain stops! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

ALL PAID UP!

R' Yankel* owed a lot of money to one of his relatives.

One day, the relative told him that he would need the money within the next few days...

The next day, his relative called him and told him:

"You don't have to pay me,

because I made a Shidduch yesterday, and I'm giving you the money that you owe me as ma'asar from the Shadchanus."

This relative was a Shadchan, but he hadn't managed to make a Shidduch for a few months already!

Now, when he needed back the money, he made a Shidduch and got paid back with the Shdachanus gelt!!! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

May this week's issue be a zechus for our brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisrael, Ukraine and all over the world. May Hashem continue to shower us Klal Yisrael, His most beloved nation, with open kindness!



HASHGACHA PRATIS IN THE BEIS MEDRASH



MAN LOVES MESECHES NEDARIM

Avi* enjoys learning Meseches Nedarim. He keeps on learning it over and over again, and it's so enjoyable for him!

He mentioned to his father, that he likes learning Nedarim.

His father said, "I know why you like it! When you were a baby, I used to put you to sleep

while learning Meseches Nedarim next to your crib!!!" [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

HASHEM FEEDS YESHIVA BOCHUR

A Yungerman was learning with a Bachur.

After learning, the bachur said he was so hungry, and he wished he could have food...

The yungerman told him:

"Let's turn to Hashem, He's a Kol Yachol. He could send you anything."

So the bachur said: "I believe that Hashem could send me everything I need."

Right when they left the Beis Medrash, they found a man holding a bag of wafers. He told them, "Here take some!!!"

[Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

Beautiful Melavah Malkah At Kehillas Spring Hill, Chestnut Ridge, New York Celebrating the Conclusion of the Winter Avos U'banim Learning Program!



אין זכיה כתורה!



אין לומדיה כישראל!



The children enjoyed the Pizza, French Fries, Ketchup, Soda Cans, Orange Juice, Bagels, Cream Cheese and Ice Cream Pops. They each received a football and a beautiful Megilas Esther!

But they know that it's all just a tiny mashal for the wonderful reward that's waiting for them in the next world! אשרינו מה טוב חלקינו!!!

LIVING WITH HASHEM

By Rabbi Zevy Golombeck



A BABY IS BORN!

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper* were waiting for many years to have children.

The doctor told them, "Sorry, there is nothing to do."

Mrs. Cooper decided to make an Avoda out of 'Hakol Yachol'. She would keep repating to herself that Hashem could do everything and anything.

Every day she would wake up and sing 'Hakol Yachol'. In the afternoon she would sing Hakol Yachol. At night she would sing Hakol Yachol.

Boruch Hashem she had a beautiful baby!

The power of Bitachon!

HEAT STARTS WORKING!

Mrs. Straus's* steam was broken. It was getting colder and colder...

She said to herself, "One second! Did I ever appreciate that we had steam up until now? We just take it for granted! We just set it for 70 degrees and feel comfortable."

So she started thanking Hashem and appreciating it and... boom! The steam started working!

Exactly the way it says, "Azi V'zimras Kah V'Yehi Li LiYeshua." We thank Hashem, says Unkelos, and we get big Yeshuos.

PHONE STARTS WORKING!

The Hess* family from Monsey, New York, had a problem. There was no dial tone on their phone.

They tried unplugging it and resetting it but there was no dial tone.

Then their twelve-year-old girl said, "Let's call 'A life with Bitachon'."

They called and it went through!! And all of a sudden, the phone started working!

FAMILY TURNS TO HASH-EM!

It was Erev Shabbos, and the Wein* family needed to do two loads of laundry.

But the dryer was making a funny noise and it wasn't drying.

They couldn't call a repairman because it was too close before Shabbos.

They tired to figure out what to do.

Then they said, "One second! We can't call the repairman but we can call Hashem."

They said, "Hashem we want the clothing to be dry before Shabbos but the dryer is making noise and it's not drying."

They turned it on again, and this time the dryer worked perfectly without any problems!

Exactly as it says in the Pasuk, "Ashrei Hagever Asher Yivtach BaShem..." Bitachon brings Brachos into your life!

A LIFE WITH BITACHON HOTLINE

By Rabbi Golombeck

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HASHGACHA PRATIS

A Reader

THANK YOU HASHEM

The past few weeks I asked my husband and my kids to pick up the Spring Hill Times for me. I really enjoy

Hello, thank you so much for the Spring Hill Times. My whole family is enjoying it, and we really feel we're growing in Emuna and Bitachon from your newspaper.

I wanted to share a Hashgacha Pratis story. I have four siblings in Eretz Yisroel.

When the stores in Boro Park go on sale, I try to help them with shopping.

Recently, Junee had a huge sale. I went and I really got huge bargains. The children's sizes are always a little easier to figure out but the adults are a little harder. Even if it's on sale I don't want to buy the wrong items. So I bought a few adult items, and I hoped that they would like it and it would fit.

When I came home I got a phone call that a cousin who lives around the corner was going to Eretz Yisroel in a few hours and could take a package.

I quickly sent the package.

24 hours later they had the package in Eretz Yisroel!

They were so excited, they loved the clothing, they were able to tell me exactly which sizes and styles they need more of. I went back to the store and they had just what I was looking for in the exact sizes that I needed. Most of the clothing was on sale that it was 2 for \$24. Thank you so much for everything, Hatzlacha Raba.

A Reader, Boro Park

MOTHER HAS BITACHON

Hi, I have an amazing story that just happened. My daughter came home from the library saying that

there were two amazing books, R' Dovid Ashear for children #3 and another book about Bentching for kids and she knew I really wanted these books for my kids.

She told me, "Mommy, they said the computer's broken, come back later, maybe at the end of the week."

I said, "I am going back."

She said, "Mommy, how are you going back, they said it's not working."

I said, "I don't care, I'm going back, I'm going with Emuna and Bitachon."

I went back, and I asked the librarian if she could try again, "It's a new book. It has to be put into the system."

I said, "Can you please try one more time?" I said to myself if this goes through, I'm going to put the story into the Spring Hill Times.

While she was trying, I kept saying, "Hashem, You are Hakol Yachol," I was singing the song to myself. I was imagining holding the books and bringing it home to my kids.

Chasdei Hashem, my kids couldn't believe it, I walked out with these two new books! It gave me such Chizuk, with Emunah and Bitachon we can just get things. It was just amazing.

Thank you so much for the Spring Hill Times, it gives us Chizuk. We stopped getting all the magazines, it brings such positivity and such Emunah and Bitachon into our house. Thank you, thank you!

A reader



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Children seem to greatly crave the types of food that they like. It can even be a particular fruit or vegetable that appeals to them. They want another one and another one...

Adults have between 3,500 to 5,000 thousand taste buds, and children have double the amount – closer to 10,000 taste buds. Children actually taste the food more and they enjoy the food more than adults!

Perhaps the reason why Hashem created man this way is because adults are supposed to understand the importance of eating to maintain a healthy body. Therefore they need less physical stimulation to cause them to nourish their body.

As opposed to children, who are less intellectually motivated, Hashem gave them much more physical stimulation – to ensure that they get the important nourishment that they need, therefore they enjoy the food more.

If you give a child something bitter to eat, or even something that

has a small taste of something bitter – he will not only spit it out, but he will also overreact – as if he is in great distress.

This is actually not just a show, rather – Hashem created children's taste buds with an extreme sensitivity to the taste of bitter.

Children taste bitter much stronger than the way that adults taste things that are bitter. This serves as an extra protection against poisonous or toxic substances which can be damaging or even fatal to a person. Many of the poisonous things have a distinct, bitter taste to them.

So children, who often don't/can't read labels, or simply lack the proper judgment call when to refrain from tasting anything of questionable character – have a built in protection of greater sensitivity to bitter tasting foods, to keep them safe and healthy.

Another extra Chessed Hashem, a built in protection that Hashem gave us when we are young to keep us safe.

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Q&A WITH R' ZEVI GOLOMBECK

The



Bitachon Perspective

WRITTEN BY: R' SHALOM YEDIDYA KLATZKO

Q. My husband runs an organization of such a nature that he constantly needs to be on call. Whenever my husband's phone rings, he stops whatever he's doing and makes himself available to the person who needs him.

I understand that my husband is doing amazing work in helping out other people. But I keep telling him that chessed starts at home, and that he must make it a priority to set aside uninterrupted family time.

However, my husband tells me that as much as wants to focus on the family, he must be available to answer every call because he is the only one.

I came to the realization that there is no to'eles in trying to make my husband change and there is no hishtadlus I can do to change the situation. It happens so often that our entire family is together enjoying each other's company – until my husband's phone rings, and then everything falls apart. What can I do so as not to feel resentment towards

my husband?

A. The reason you feel resentful is because you believe that the reason your husband is not available for the family is because he insists on being constantly on call. If only your husband would agree not to answer his phone, you would have more family time.

You must understand that Hakadosh Baruch Hu is the One controlling all results. Therefore, although your husband has the responsibility to prioritize his time, your husband's decision can't affect your life or the lives of your children one iota.

If you tried everything you could to change things, and you see that there is no hishtadlus for you to do, you should understand that Hashem sees that this situation is best for you.

Once you realize that the reason your husband is unavailable is because that's what Hakadosh Baruch Hu decreed, view it as a chessed Hashem that your husband is busy helping people.

Realize that there are so many other ways that

Hashem could have made a person not be with his family: parnasah could be tight and he has to work extra hours, he could be sick in the hospital chas v'shalom, he could simply not be interested in spending time with his family, he could be running away from the police, etc. Realize how lucky you are that Hashem made your husband busy with doing mitzvos and not through other reasons that you wouldn't even want to imagine.

When you adopt the mindset that it's not your husband's decisions which are affecting you, rather it's coming from Hashem, Hakadosh Baruch Hu says, "Since you realize that I am the One who is conducting the world, and I have your good in mind, in that z'chus, I will show you how things will turn around, and your husband will decide to make himself available to give your family all of their needs."

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Chizuk Corner

The unbelievable power of a good word

By R' Y. Friedman

We mentioned last week that Purim is tremendous eis ratzon for Mosiach. Additionally there is so many simanei Moshiach that are unfolding in front of our very eyes.

Therefore, I am writing this article envisioning our esteemed readers getting ready to greet Moshiach. You are jumping for joy as Hashem preforms nissim even greater than Yetzi-as Mitzrayim. Your hearts are pumping only positive thoughts about Hashem, about yourself and about your fellow Yid.

We will now quote a article brought down in the Kuntres 'Lets be real' last year:

Let's envision, we will hear the great shofar and our dear great great Zeide and Bubbe get up for techi-vas hameisim. (This mashal might not be accurate in the sequence of events, it's just a mashal).

You go to the Bais Hachaim to pick them up. The dancing and music in the streets are endless.

You pull your van to the side of the road and you see with mounting excitement as your grandparents rise from their graves. After an inspirational bracha of, "ברוך מכהיה מתים", you bring them to your van.

Your grandparents turn to you and ask, "Where are the horses?"

You laugh and explain, "Zeide, we have built-in horses."

Zeide goes into the van bewildered and you give

him a brief rundown on the van's mechanism and luxuries.

Your Zeide is stunned.

When you get to your house, you ring the bell.

A child calls on the inter-



com, "Who's there?" Your Zeide is taken aback, and who can blame him? This is just the beginning.

It was pretty hot outside and they are shocked when they feel cold blasts of air in their faces as they enter. You explain to them about the wonderful gift of an air conditioner and how you can set the exact temperature that you want it to be. You add that in the winter, there is heat to warm the house, and the temperature can be controlled, as well. They are awestruck, and you're starting to be impressed yourself.

[This reminds me of something I heard in the name of Rav Leibel Williger, who heard from his grandfather, who remembered that when Parshas Devarim arrived people started preparing for the winter, and began cutting firewood and other preparations. The contrast to our days is staggering.]

The house was dark when you walked in and you go to the light switch and flip it on, flooding the house with light. Your Zeide opens his eyes wide and exclaims, "Does this mean that you can learn by night without any candles?"

"That you can walk around without tripping, like your Bubbe did almost every day?" Bubbe adds.

Your Bubbe then walks around your dining room marveling at your beautiful chandelier, your furniture and couches. She is awed by their beauty. Then she looks at your paintings and silver. She is astonished that one of her grandchildren amassed so much wealth. In her days only the very wealthy people had such furnishings.

She finds it hard to believe that you are but a Rebbe.

Your Zeide looks at your huge collection of seforim, and feels like he has just entered candyland. He literally goes into a trance.

Then they hear a noise in the kitchen. Bubbe asks, "What's that noise?" You smile to her and say, "Bubbe, dear, let me show you something you may have liked. You take them to the kitchen and you introduce her to the.... 'DISHWASHER'.

You explain to her how it works that all you have to do is put in the dishes and soap and all you have to do is "push the button". Bubbe is taken aback and stammers, "So what does your wife do with her extra time?" To this you respond,

Chizuk Corner

By: R' Y. Friedman

Continued

"There is always something to do when you have twelve kids."

Zeide and Bubbe look at you in disbelief, and say in unison, "Twelve kids? This was very rare in our days."

You confirm that large families are not uncommon these days. Zeide murmurs, "This sounds like the bracha to the Yidden in Mitzrayim."

All of a sudden the phone rings and you pick up the phone. It's your son from Eretz Yisroel talking to you excitedly about the dancing in the streets with everyone anticipating the Bais Hamikdash descending from the heavens.

Your Bubbe looks on in disbelief, as you explain to her that you can talk to someone in Eretz Yisroel with the push of a few buttons.

Before you know it, it starts to get dark outside and you didn't daven Mincha so you excuse yourself, saying that you need the rest room, but then you catch yourself and you explain to your grandfather the great invention of "in-door plumbing".

You then introduce them to running water which allows you to get cold, hot or warm water with the flick of a knob. They are astounded by such luxuries. It is beyond their comprehension.

After Mincha you show them your refrigerator and freezer. Bubbe's jaw drops open when she sees all the different features of these amazing machines. She

looks on in wonder at the abundance of food that you have in your refrigerator and pantry (thanks to the food boxes). She can't believe your wide variety of spices and vitamins.

Then you show her your sophisticated ovens with all their wonderful features, like self-clean and Shabbos mode. You then introduce them to your many small kitchen appliances, such as your microwave oven, which allows you to get your instant desires. You show her your sandwich maker and your popcorn machine. Then you show her the food processor and your mixer. There are many different gadgets that you forgot you owned.

Bubbe is starting to feel dizzy; this is a bit too much for her. "How spoiled can you be?" she wonders aloud.

You smile; she does have a point. Hashem has been showering us with tremendous bounty.

It's time to go upstairs. You bring your grandparents upstairs and show them to the bathroom and explain that one can take a ten minute bath or shower in the comfort of their home.

Your Bubbe and Zeide are flabbergasted. Zeide says: I remember going outside in the freezing cold weather in the darkness of night to the bathroom.

"Indeed, we should be dancing every time we take a shower or to use the bathroom."

You show them your med-

icine cabinet with bandages and many different accessories, from blow dryers to hair accessories, and now it's Bubbe who's fascinated. There are many different creams and lotions.

Then you introduce Bubbe to the ironing board and the iron. She is fascinated by its efficiency.

Finally, you show them the washing machine and dryer. When Bubbe sees the load in motion, she gets excited. "This is the most convenient thing I've ever seen. Can you imagine no rubbing and scrubbing and no hanging laundry outside?" she says in wonder. To our grandparents, our world is a fantasy world, and yet it's real.

Rabbosai, this is the world we live in! We haven't even discussed all the wonderful things in the world Hashem created for us. Not to mention all the different stores and products. (We will leave that to you). If we think into all the goodness that we are literally drowning in, we can become drunk with happiness.

However all this pales to the chessed that Hashem is going to show us (or is hopefully showing us as you are reading) during the time of Moshiach.)

I hope with all my heart that this Pesach we will eat from the Koraban Pesach all of Klal Yisroel with love and joy Amein.

GROWING FROM OUR GEDOLIM #17

WRITTEN BY: RABBI MATIS EDELSON

MIDDOS CHESSED EMUNAH AHAVAS YISROEL
AHAVAS HATORAH MITZVOS TEFILAH TZEDAKAH

Water For Birds

The Lev Simcha of Ger, Rav Simcha Bunim Alter once had a problem with the water in his home. The water had a bad taste, and soon started smelling bad too. His gabbai went on to the roof of his building to check the water tank, and he discovered that the cover had come loose, and birds had been drinking and bathing in the water! The gabbai emptied out the water tank, washed it out, and filled it with fresh clean water. He then secured the cover on so that it would not get uncovered again. When the gabbai informed the rebbe of what he had done, the rebbe thanked him. The rebbe then instructed him to fill up a pail of water and bring it to the roof. "If the birds got used to drinking and bathing in our water, they shouldn't lose out." The rebbe told him.

We see from this story the sensitivity that tzaddikim had for all of Hashem's creations, even the birds on the roof.



Rav Simcha Bunim Alter, the Lev Simcha of Ger

Not My Money

When Rav Shamshon Rephael Hirsch was appointed the rav of Frankfurt am Main in 1851, the community, following accepted practice of that time, paid Rav Hirsch his salary at the beginning of every three months, for the coming three months. In his later years, Rav Hirsch was very concerned with the payment arrangement that he had with the community. He was worried that since he gets paid in advance every three months, when he dies, he will really have been paid for work that he never did. He repeatedly reminded his family that when he passes away, they should return the extra money which did not belong to him. In a sign of Hashgocha Protis, Hashem took Rav Hirsch's holy neshama away on December 31, 1888.



Rabbi Shamshon Rephael Hirsch

Kosher Words

Rav Yisroel Salanter, founder of the mussar movement, would frequently give speeches to his community to encourage them to strengthen themselves in matters of interpersonal relationships. If he was ever in doubt about whether he can speak about someone or something, he would tell his audience, "Please wait a moment". He would then look in a sefer Shemiras Halashon, and check whether it was permissible to speak about it.

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A STORY FOR THE PARSHA

By: Yaakov Berliner - Lakewood, New Jersey

Every man shall give an atonement for his soul to Hashem...

There was a rich man in Volozhin who used to give generously to the poor of his city. Misfortune struck however and he lost much of his wealth. He approached R' Chaim of Volozhin with the following question: "Rebbe, I do not know what to do. As you know, I used to give large sums of money each month to the poor people of Volozhin. Due to the hard times which have befallen me, however, I don't have that much money to give out. Should I simply give a smaller sum than I have done in the past? Or should I borrow money from others and give the same amount

that I was accustomed to giving?

R' Chaim thought for a moment and then responded: "Continue giving the exact amount that you have always given. As far as your livelihood is concerned, don't worry, for Hashem will provide you with all that you need."

A few weeks later, the man returned to Rav Chaim much happier. "Rebbe," he said, "Your words have been fulfilled! I did exactly as you said. I borrowed money and distributed it to the poor. Shortly thereafter I participated in a lottery and won an enormous sum of money."

SIXTY SECONDS OF INSPIRATION

With Rabbi Label Lam - Monsey, New York



A Real Potato

Rabbi Simcha Wasserman, Zecher Tzadik leVrocho, had an amazing ability to take giant concepts and to collapse them into simple and elegant metaphors.

Many years ago, I heard mipi kodsho, directly from him the following:

He asked in his broken English, "What if someday, somebody invented a synthetic potato? It smelled like a potato, it looked like a potato, it tastes like a potato, it felt like a

potato; if you didn't know better, you'd think it was a real potato, but it's a synthetic potato.

How are you going to know the difference between a real potato and a synthetic potato?

Very simple: Put it in the ground—if it produces another potato, then it's a real potato. If it doesn't produce another potato, then it was a synthetic potato."

What was he saying?

The Torah is called eitz chaim he, a Tree of Life. There's an organic quality to it. And the hallmark of the authentic article is: that it grows. **Good Shabbos!**

LIVING WITH APPRECIATION

By: R' Daniel Shasha

Our parashah discusses the mitzvah of Shabbos.

We know that Shabbos is a day of abstaining from work, but what should be our main focus on this day? The answer to this is found in the perek of Tehillim dedicated to Shabbos (91).

This perek begins mizmor shir leyom Shabbos and right away says tov lehodos La-Hashem, it is good to thank Hashem. The Radak explains that this juxtaposition sheds light on the essence of Shabbos, a day to thank Hashem!

He explains that during the week when we are busy with work it is very hard for us to pause and to reflect on our countless blessings. However, being that Shabbos is a day when work is forbidden, it is the perfect opportunity for us to reflect on our blessings and express our gratitude to Hashem.

Rabbi Avigdor Miller observes that a famous violinist will achieve much more recognition when he plays in a concert hall as opposed to when he plays in a subway station where people are busy and will not stop to appreciate the beautiful music. So too

on Shabbos when we abstain from work and have a slower paced day, it is an opportune time to focus on appreciating our blessings.

How do we utilize Shabbos as a day of appreciation? One suggestion is to fix a time during the Shabbos meal to express our gratitude to Hashem and to possibly go around the table asking those present to say what they are grateful for.

Another way is through the mitzvah of Oneg Shabbos. The Ramban teaches that to eat the food we enjoy on Shabbos is a mitzvah from the Torah! When we partake of these enjoyable foods, we could pause to appreciate the delicious tastes and textures that are a gift from Hashem solely for us to enjoy.

In addition, we praise Hashem by singing, such as zemiros and kabbalas Shabbos.

Singing on Shabbos has tremendous power. In fact, there is a Midrash that teaches during the week the malachim sing praise to Hashem but not on Shabbos since we sing to Hashem in their place. Each time we sing on Shab-

bos we replace the malachim. This is incredible! May we be zocheh to use Shabbos Kodesh as a way of expressing our tremendous appreciation for all Hashem's constant goodness.

Rebbeim from a certain Yeshiva had a bachur who was struggling with his Yiddishkeit and they consulted with Rav Yehudah Lefkowitz for guidance.

To their surprise, he asked them if the boy was still singing zemiros with the other bochrim, and when they said yes, he ensured them that everything will be ok. Surely enough the boy strengthened in his Yideshkeit and became a big masmid and a top bachur.

Since singing zemiros and praises to Hashem connects us to the upper worlds and has great spiritual power, Rav Lefkowitz was confident that the boy would soon do teshuvah!

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To Share My Share From Hashem's Daily Shiur.

By: R' Moshe Davidson - A Rebbi in Brooklyn, New York

"How cold is it going to be today with the wind chill factor?"

"The real feel today, with the wind chill factor", will be.... "

What is the wind chill factor?

Does it really make it a different degrees?

Does it make it 'feel' like a lower degree of temperature?

If the answer to the question is "yes", how can that possibly be correct?

If you take a look at an outdoor thermometer, you can see that the temperature is the same, with the wind or without the wind!

The answer is pretty simple.

You might not have given the matter too much thought, but you'll 'chap' right away.

Let's pose another question.

What would you define as being a 'warm coat'?

Is the coat actually warm?

Feel it. Does it have any warmth?

So let's rephrase the question.

What makes a warm coat,

'warm'?

Again the answer is simple.

We'll answer both questions at the same time.

The cold wind, does NOT change the temperature to being colder, and the warm



coat, is NOT warm.

It all depends on your body heat!

When the wind blows, it blows away along with it, some body heat.

The stronger the wind is blowing, the more body heat it'll blow away from you.

The RESULT is that you are going to FEEL colder, since you have less of your own heat.

Same is true for the coat. The

coat doesn't have any warmth at all.

All it can do is, lock in the body heat, that you have already.

A coat that has the type of fibers that can lock in more of your body heat, is called by everyone A WARM COAT.

It makes you FEEL warm.

Better said "it makes you STAY WARM."

ברוך אתה ה' מלביש ערומים!

Originally the body heat of אדם הראשון was completely controlled and comfortably contained in the nail type tissue that covered his body. (רש"י)

After the חטא עץ הדעת he lost that covering, and Hashem made him fur clothes from the most comfortable fur, rabbit fur! (רש"י)

Years ago, it was a huge amount of work, to somehow spin and weave together fibers to make material, and finally to sew together, an appropriate set of clothing, which would keep people warm.

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To Share My Share From Hashem's Daily Shiur.

Continued mates, fur was Hashem's nature's solution.

The type of fibers that fur contains, lock in a huge amount of body heat.

B"H nowadays, Hashem has given the חכמה to mankind, to create machines that do all the work of planting and harvesting the fibrous plants, like cotton.

With the help of machinery Hashem has made the process of harvesting more wool, also much easier.

The dyeing, spinning, weaving, cutting, and sewing, is understandably much easier and therefore, subsequently, much less costly, to produce clothing,

Understandably, for us, the clothing are much cheaper to purchase.

When we eat, Hashem amazingly, makes the body temperature rise .

Always eat before going out in the cold.

B"H we have a great shefa of

food from Hashem nowadays. Tons of healthy and delicious foods that are affordable and available for everyone.

BORUCH HASHEM!!!

Nowadays we B"H also have plenty of clothes, so there's



no need for fur.

We can stay warm with the many comfortable layers of clothing Hashem gives us.

BORUCH HASHEM!

Another interesting thing to note is that layers of clothing that are hugging your body will keep you much warmer than the warmest fur coat that is flapping around without holding on to your body.

Check out the men that work

outdoors in the coldest days of the winter. What do you think they're wearing?

Layers and layers of clothing.

That does the trick to help them hold on to their own body heat for long periods of time.

Thank Hashem for your clothes every day.

Teach children how to appreciate the fact that they have so much comfortable, nice clothing.

No throwing coats on the floor! הכרת הטוב.

I once slept in an apartment with another yungerman, and I noticed that when he put his used clothes in the laundry hamper, he would first fold them.

Wow. What a mechubadige way to show appreciation for (even soiled) CLOTHES!

ברוך אתה ה' מלביש ערומים!

LIFE IS SO WONDERFUL!

By: R' Moshe Hirschberg - Lakewood, New Jersey

Standing in front of the large crowd at the podium was the famous maggid, who came to inspire them with words filled with courage.

At the beginning of his lecture, he took out a \$100 bill and placed it in front of the audience. "Anyone here want this money?" he asked them, and everyone responded in the affirmative.

He then took the money, crumpled it up, and asked them again: "Are you still interested in this hundred-dollar bill?" They all responded that they were still interested.

He then took it and put it into dirt, and again asked if their interest had changed at all. No one declined.

He then asked: "Why are you still interested in this money? Doesn't its dirtiness change anything? Apparently, we all see that its value remains the same despite its external dirtiness. That doesn't affect its intrinsic value.

"If this is true, then how much more so with regard to the essence of who we really are! The essence of our neshamah is pure and is impossible to blemish. All the sins that may have happened are all external, and they don't reflect our essence. It remains pure and clean." (Od Alos Hashachar, p. 43)

This concept we can learn from

an incredible story that took place many years ago:

One of the great Holocaust pioneers, R' Mendel Futerfas, would relay:

"When I was imprisoned in Siberia, I was placed there with no access to any siddurim or sefarim... Each day, I had to daven by heart without a siddur or tefillin.

Even during the Yomim Nora'im, I davened without anything—no siddur, no shofar, no machzor, and certainly no minyan. I didn't have anything.

I tried to recall the tefillos as I remembered them from my past, and I did my best.

When I got to the part of 'V'chol Ma'aminim,' I sang it as I had sung it in my youth. As I was singing it, I was bothered tremendously. How can we say that all the people believe? There are so many communists and the like that try to uproot our beliefs from us. How is it that they all believe?

Then, I caught myself and thought, 'If this is what it says in the siddur, then this is the reality. If I don't understand, it must be due to my lack of knowledge. I must believe what it says and go with more temimos.' Nevertheless, it still bothered me.

A few days passed, and the answer was sent to me. I was sleep-

ing in the bunkers.

From the distance, I saw a big man gazing at me very intently. I got a little worried, as I had no idea what he wanted."

Are you a Yid?" he asked me. "Yes," responded Rav Mendel in a soft voice.

"I'm also a Yid," he told me. "Do you know that I fasted this past Yom Kippur? Originally, I hadn't remembered that it was Yom Kippur, but I overheard another prisoner whispering to his friend on Erev Yom Kippur that the next day was going to be the fast, and I decided that I must observe it. I called in sick that day and stayed in bed the entire time.

I wanted to daven, but I didn't know even one tefillah. I tried to recall different things from my youth, but nothing came to me, except for the 'Modeh Ani' that my bubby had sung for me when I was very young. So, for the entire day, I said over and over again the 'Modeh Ani' that I knew."

When I heard this story," continued R' Mendel, "I almost fell off my bed. All my doubts had fallen away. I understood that every single Yid deep down believes in Hashem. This is the pureness of the neshamah that every Yid has, and whatever happens to him can't affect its pure essence."

Have A Wonderful Shabbos!

WONDER OF THE WEEK

By: Rabbi Yaakov Lubin

One of the most amazing abilities Hashem gave birds is their ability to build nests.

Bird nests are built as places for the birds to lay their eggs and raise their offspring. There are a lot of animals that would love to eat the bird eggs, so Hashem not only put into the bird brains the instructions of how to build the nests but also that they should be built high up in the trees so they would be safe from predators.

Hashem also created each species of bird with the ability and knowledge of how to make a unique type of nest most suitable to the area it lives. While all bird's abilities to make nests are incredible, the weaverbird can make nests in a way that is particularly special.

Before we get to the weaverbird, let's learn how regular birds build their nests and appreciate the wisdom of Hashem found in this remarkable aspect of creation.

Birds usually build their nests quite fast and take between two days to two weeks depending on their nest design. To build their nests, most birds first find sticks and twigs that are dropped into a chosen tree. Some of these sticks get lodged into the tree branches and over time the dropped sticks fill up into a very loose foundation of a nest. Once the foundation has been built, birds used their sharp beaks to manipulate or weave the fibers of their nest together. The sticks and twigs alone are not sturdy or strong enough so the birds add spider webs, mud, or even their own saliva to the twigs to bind the materials. When finished the nest becomes a structurally sound home to hold the eggs and young birds after they hatch.

So what is so special about weaverbirds?

Weaver birds are unique in that they are the only bird capable of tying knots and their



WEAVERBIRDS

nests are some of the most impressive construction projects in the animal kingdom.

There are many different types of weaverbirds and each one has its own style and strategy for building elaborate nests. Their nests begin with a piece of grass or other plant fiber that it ties with a knot to a branch with their beak and claws.

After that, the process is done just like any other weaving pattern where the strands are threaded through each other at opposite angles. Their nests end up fully enclosed except for a narrow tube-like entrance that is just large enough for the birds to enter but not large enough for bigger predators to get in, providing optimal protection for their offspring.

One type of weaverbird, the social weaverbird, lives in South Africa and makes the largest bird nest on earth. Their nests can be 20



feet long, 10 feet tall, and weigh over 2000 pounds. These nests are not made by single birds but are communal dwellings that can

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WONDER OF THE WEEK

By Rabbi Yaakov Lubin

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house hundreds of birds at the same time. The structures are built so well they can last over 100 years and are used generation after generation by weaverbird families.

These nest complexes have a large number of chambers in them with each pair of birds having their own private chamber where they lay their eggs and take care of their young. They are very social though and happy to host their friends as many young birds will move to the central chambers when the nights are cold and to the outer chambers that are cooler when it is very hot.

The parents also get help babysitting from their juvenile children that also live in the complex and help collect food and take care of their younger siblings.

Hashem designed all bird nests to be more than just a place to hold eggs. The nests function



The nests are also built just large enough for the parent to sit on the eggs which result in the maximum amount of heat being transferred to the eggs with the minimum amount of space.



Bird nests are another brilliant invention of Hashem to provide for the needs of His creations and a reminder for us of the infinite wisdom and perfection of design found throughout creation!

"The purpose of all these wonders is to make us aware that Hashem is there and that He is the One who brought these wonders about."

Rabbi Avigdor Miller (Ohr Avigdor, Chovos Halevavos)



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AYIN ^{עין}טובה TOVA

By: R' Nesanel Landesman

Suggestion for when Raphy and Shani hired Mendy to fix the broken boiler but it still wasn't working:

- Maybe the boiler needs a little bit of time before it will restart, or it just takes a while to heat up again.
- Mendy worked hard and did fix the boiler, but he overlooked something very simple, like plugging the boiler back into the right circuits/sockets.
- Mendy left but he meant to come back with a missing part or another tool that he needed. He left for only a short time, and he forgot to mention this to Raphy and Shani.
- Now they can appreciate what people go through when it's cold and they can't afford heat.
- Maybe something much worse was supposed to happen and Hashem made this happen instead so that they will not have to go through something worse.
- They know for the future to ask the repairman to stay until they see things are working.
- It could be that Mendy missed something that was very dangerous if the boiler would have worked. And B"H when he comes back, he will notice the issue and fix it, and Raphy and Shani will make a seuda thanking Hashem for the great miracle.

R' Zevy Golombeck suggested

- Rav Avigdor Miller says that when something breaks, we are reminded of what we had and come to appreciate it. They will now appreciate heat so much more.
- Technicians do not fix our broken items, but rather it is Hashem that does. Put your trust in Hashem and it will start to work.

CASE OF THE WEEK:

A Shul in Golden Waters was searching for a new Rabbi.

Elisheva Stern liked one of the candidates, could tolerate another and was totally turned off by the third.

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**MASHIACH IS HERE! BY: CHAYA MURIK,
AGE 9**

It was an ordinary day in the Klein home. But everyone felt excitement in the air, yet no one knew why.

Avromi, the oldest in the family, got up extra early, washed negal vasser, and made sure the water got all over his hands. He got dressed very quickly because he just felt like today he wanted to get to shul on time although most mornings he does.

He quickly and quietly went downstairs, as not to awaken anybody. He ate a quick breakfast, packed his school bag, and was ready for shacharis, but he was still very early.

Then, everyone else started to come downstairs; usually they only come down after Avromi leaves. It seemed like everyone was excited, but for no apparent reason.

Finally, everyone got to school feeling excited.

Rachel, only four years old, went to kindergarten, and learned about the Beis Hamikdash, and how it will be when Mashiach comes.

Rachel felt that she really wanted Mashiach so super badly that she acted extra nice to everyone. Her Morah was so proud of her.

Then, out of nowhere they heard a very loud noise. That sounded like a shofar.

In every single spot in the world, it became silent.

Then there was a voice that said, "Mashiach is here!

Go pack up!" The voice continued.

Everyone packed up and got on the airplane as it was taking off.

"Yay, we're here!" The children screamed. Mashiach is here!

SURI GUTMAN, AGE 9

Everybody was cleaning for Pesach in the Gutman home. Finally, Pesach has come.

The men were leaving for shul, and the girls were putting the last minute stuff on the table.

The seder started passing by, finally, I was opening the door to greet Eliyahu, then, all of a sudden, we heard the shofar! That meant Mashiach has come!

We all ran out of the house, dancing, singing and shouting!

All of our neighbors were also running out of their houses. I didn't know if I should laugh or cry, so I laughed and cried, and laughed again!

We packed our stuff, and went to the airport on Chol Hamoed – that was our trip for that day! We flew on a plane and...

WE SAW THE BAIS HAMIKDASH!!

THE WONDERFUL GIFT OF FOOD!

By: S. Goldberg - Far Rockaway, New York

A Partnership with Our Creator: Bread!

Whole wheat, rye bread, white bread, sour dough. Bread is a gift from Hashem!

Can you imagine a time without supermarkets and readily available ingredients? When the majority of the world had to farm their land to produce a loaf of bread?

In today's world of abundance, our bread comes almost directly to our table. What kindness! But how much more so can we feel this chessed when we understand what it took to create this bread.

Hashem made the world in such a giving way that He allows us to become partners with Him in creation! He provides the rain and the wheat kernels and we nurture it and

grind it to make it into flour and bake it into bread.

In moderation, bread can be enjoyed as a part of a healthy diet. Whole grains especially, have fiber, which helps our digestive system run smoothly, is good for heart health, and helps keep us full for longer.



When we make our ten-word brocha of hamotzi, we put all ten fingers on the bread we're holding. The number ten helps us to remember the 10 incredible processes that Hashem created in the production of bread. A production that involves the partnership of us and our Creator. What a beautiful kavana! Now let's go enjoy our bread and bentsh on it with a bren and excitement! (Tehillim 104:14)



A GLIMPSE INTO THE PAST

By Sruli Yelen - Lakewood, New Jersey



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- They will be dancing with joy thinking about all the mansions waiting for them in Olam Haba, while scrubbing the ceilings for Pesach, and it will interfere...
- Their hearts will be melting while thinking about how Hashem is right near you helping you clean for Pe-

sach...

- They will be having difficulties composing themselves to sit down and eat because they are so excited for the upcoming Yom Tov!



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The weather will be perfect to think about Hashem while walking in the street!!	It will be a wonderful day to thank Hashem for always being so good to us!	There will be perfect weather to be so happy that you are able to do Hashem's mitzvos!!!	Perfect day to realize how Hashem is always running everything in your life!	Perfect day for jumping up and down from excitement while putting away all the muktzah items!	Stunning weather! Perfect to celebrate Hashem's Shabbos with washing on Lechem Mishne!	Beautiful weather! Will be a great day to hear the hear the blow of the Shofar...!

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Chapter 8

TATTY'S TALES
The Neis Chase

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Here's the money to use to marry off the kids when the time comes!

Why don't you return it to the Rebbe?

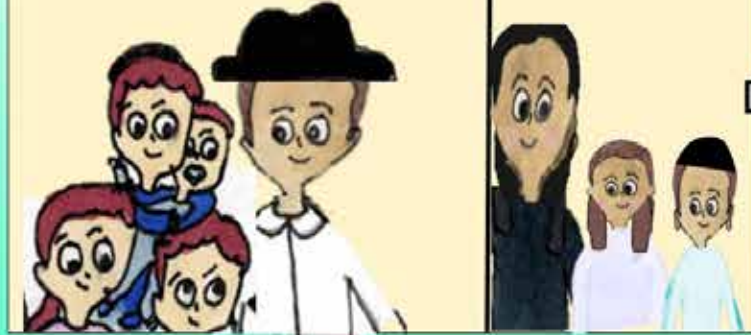
When I went to return it he told me to use to marry off the kids!



Years later

Mrs. Daodba got remarried and married off her kids!

Her son and son-in-law learned in Kollel all day and raised beautiful families!



Hashem is in charge of the world.

The goverment didn't decide to give Avraham the job and the job didn't help the Doadbas.

The ambassador didn't decide to let the children stay only Hashem.

לב מלכים ושרים ביד השם

One yid turned his whole life around

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מי כעמר ישראל

The sand storm wasn't a stroke of bad luck but a link in the chain of events.

Nothing is "bad luck"

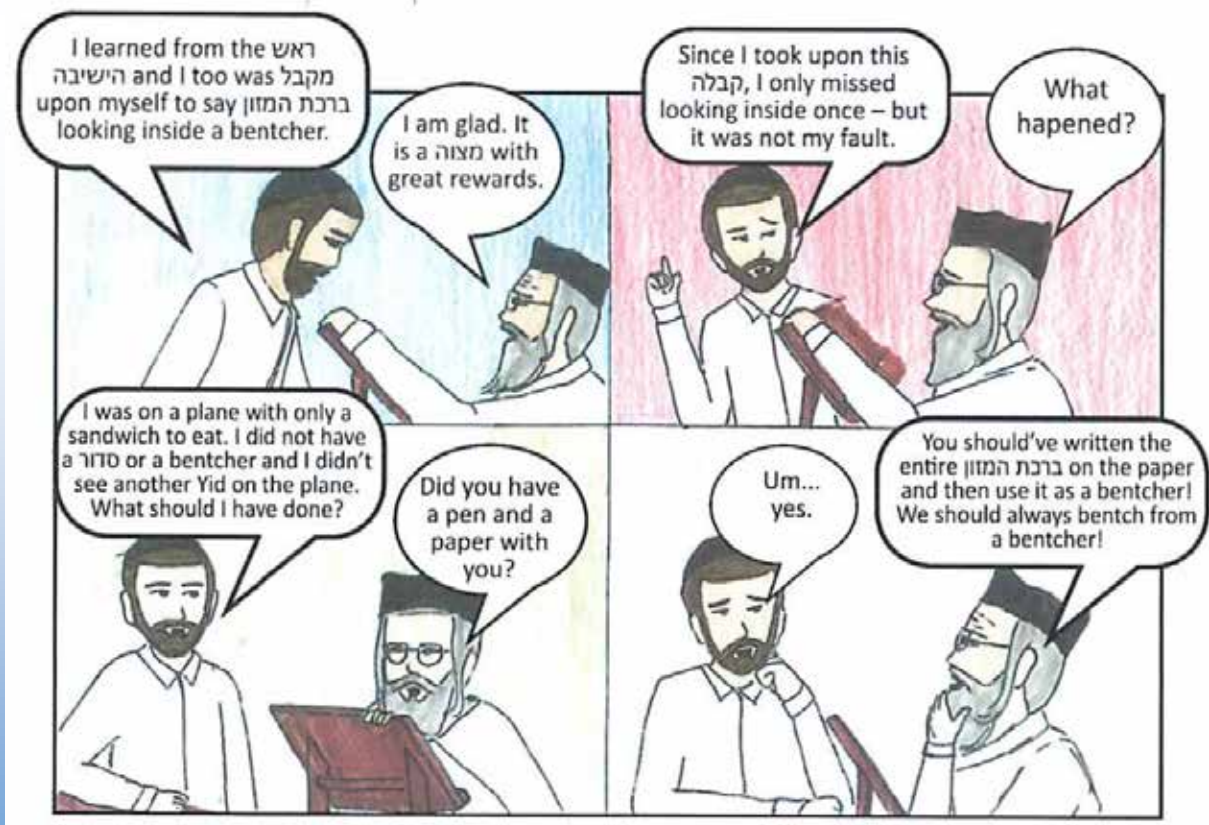
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כל מה דעביד רחמנא לטב עביד

The End!

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By: R' Simcha Elefant - Yerushalayim Ir Hakodesh

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Rabbi Yosef Moshe Mizrachi

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One of the main things the Yetzer Hara tries to do is convince us we are not in the ideal situation! The Yetzer Hara works overtime to get us to feel remorseful and regretful about both our ruchniyus and gashmiyus. These negative thoughts in our conscious or subconscious sap us of our energy and can be quite burdening! Negativity can be used to bring about positive changes but often it simply hampers our growth! Instead, Hashem wants us to search out the positive aspects in our challenges and insist that we are living l'chatchila-first

class lives! Every person can find points to pride himself with, for example, someone who falls and commits a mistake can comfort himself by appreciating how humble he became! Someone with difficulties should become excited since he gets more reward than others that have an easier time than him! In our generation, for so many people, lifting themselves up takes a lot of work and they will get greatly rewarded in Shamayim for working on their middos!

Shua*, told his friend how a couple of years ago he was such a great Yid. He learnt with great hasmadah and davened with concentration. Now however his learning has slowed, and currently he only considers himself an ok Yid. His friend responded saying how no one feels motivated to try to win second place. The Yetzer Hara knows that if you label yourself as a "could have/ should have been better Yid", you will never feel excited to serve Hashem. Instead, Hashem wants you to say I'm currently at my greatest point and am only getting better! Maybe you currently have more distraction and must work harder so your learning is worth more than before! Within a short time Shua reported back how not only has he grown so much by taking pride in his current avodas Hashem and becoming more positive, his friends as well are enjoying his newfound energy and spark for life.

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