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NEIS ON THE HIGHWAY



I wanted to share a story. I'm sure many people heard it, but I wanted to give my personal account. My name is Mrs. Greenwald, I was just in Eretz Yisrael on Yud Daled Sivan, Thursday Parshas Be'haaloscha. I was going to daven Shacharis, and as I was davening Shemoneh Esrei, it came to mind that a friend iust told me that sometimes our Shema Koleinu is longer than our Modim, so I decided to be specific in my Modim and give specific thanks for different things that I was thankful for. One of the things I listed was that Baruch Hashem, there were no tragic accidents in our family.

Approximately a half hour after that, I got a phone call from America. My sixteen-year-old son, who was learning in Telz Yeshiva in Cleveland called to say that he was coming home from an off-Shabbos from Cleveland to Monsey in a Mercedes Sprinter, and the driver feel asleep while driving, and the van overturned. He called to tell me that everyone got out of the van, and he sounded perfectly fine.

He said a tractor-trailer truck, an 18-wheeler truck, stopped the traffic on the highway and came over. The way the van looked; she didn't think anyone was alive. The van had fallen on its side, the roof was dented in, and the windshield was smashed. She pulled aside the

windshield and asked if anyone was inside, and she helped all nine boys and the driver out through the windshield and to the side. Nobody even needed stiches or anything, everyone was perfectly fine!

My son said that some of the boys had been seat belted and some were not seat belted; he was one of the ones who were not seat belted, and when the van turned, he flew under the seats, and the van fell on the side where he had been seating and the window shattered all over the seat where he had been sitting.

Editor's note: Whatever happened in the past happened. But of course, there is a Mitzvah V'nishmartem Meod L'nafshoseihem to wear a seatbelt.

My son said there is one boy that always sits in the front seat, next to the driver, but this time the driver said he didn't want anyone sitting there, and that seat was empty, and that's where the greatest impact of the accident was. My son said that Baruch Hashem, every boy ended up where he was meant to be, they were mamesh protected by malachim.

A few minutes after that, the van that had left from Telz going to Lakewood before them had stopped to look for gas, so they ended up being a few minutes behind them rather than in front. The driver of that van was on Hatzalah, and he called to tell us he's been in Hatzolah for 31 years and he doesn't remember ever in all those years seeing a van look like that. He wasn't expecting anyone to be okay, and he was in shock to see everyone standing on the side of the road, everyone was perfectly fine!

When the police came, they

wanted to check everyone out, so they brought them to two different hospitals. He was mamesh a shaliach from Hashem, he called all the mothers and calmed everyone down. He called a different driver to drive home the boys from Lakewood and he waited for all the boys to be discharged so he could drive them to Monsey. The driver drove my son back to Monsey, and meanwhile, I was in Eretz Yisrael, on Ezras Torah, on the block of R' Don Segal, and I really wanted to go see R' Don Segal, but he was leaving for America.

Meanwhile, R' Don Segal came straight to Monsey, and Rabbi Bodner, one of the parents of one of these boys, arranged for R' Don Segal to speak to the boys and give them chizuk. He told them that they were zoche to this tremendous nes because rather than taking a flight as they had originally wanted, which would have been much faster and more convenient, because they drove, Hashem was showing them this message that he loves them and is so proud of their shmiras einayim.

I wasn't able to meet R' Don Segal in Eretz Yisrael, but this was even better, R' Don met my son personally and was able to give him this chizuk personally in Monsey. This meeting was only possible because R' Don's flight was delayed. My son had been in Lakewood for Shabbos and came back very late, but because R' Don's flight was delayed, he was able to meet R' Don with the other boys. On Monday, all the boys went back on the van, back to Yeshiva, and were able to go back to regular learning, fullforce. There was a tremendous amount of hashgacha pratis in this story, a tremendous ahava from Hashem that we felt and chizzuk in Torah and mitzvos.

FREE LUNCH



Once, when I was a bochur, in the bais medrash learning, I was very arangetun, and I didn't want to leave when the bocherim called from downstairs that lunch had arrived. I said, "Hashem, I want to stay learning. You can bring me lunch right here without me having to close the sefer!"

Just then, Rabbi Beller burst into the Beis Medrash, blew past me, in his characteristic speed and intensity, put down a bag on my table next to me, said, "Shmuel Dovid, are you hungry? Here's a tuna wrap. I don't want to eat now," and he went to his shtender across the Beis Medrash and sat down with his gemara!

Thank You, Hashem, for the lunch! Back to the Gemara.... [A Spring Hill Times Reader]

SOMEONE'S THINKING OF ME

When I see a Hashgachah Pratis newsletter lying around in shul I take it, even if it isn't the proper time to read it. If I see it in the morning, I put it into my tefillin bag, and I know that during a quiet moment I'll have something good to read, something that will give me hope and joy.



One Thursday afternoon I returned from kollel holding my tefillin bag, which had remained with me after Shacharis. On the way home I went into the pharmacy to buy medication. The pharmacy had relatively limited hours, and on Thursday it closed its doors at noon and remained closed all afternoon. It would not be open again until Sunday. I purchased the medication and went home. I stopped by the mailbox to see if someone had thought of me recently. Usually it's the electric company, the phone company and the bank; sometimes it's also friends and family sending invitations, and mostly it's business owners advertising their products or services. Was there someone who truly thought of me and really cares about me? Even if there was one such person, it was very rare to discover a letter from him.

Rare? The truth is, not so rare. Here, on my mailbox, there's a sticker indicating my subscription to the "Hashgachah Pratis Family Magazine." What nonsense, for me to think that no one was thinking of me. Hakadosh Baruch Hu thinks of me and watches over me every second. If I needed more proof, then right there in my tefillin bag there was a blue-and-white pamphlet filled with emunah. Hey — where is

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my tefillin bag?!

The second I realized that my tefillin bag was not with me, I recalled that I'd left it in the pharmacy – the pharmacy that was closing any minute and wouldn't reopen until Sunday morning! I went back immediately and managed to get there in time to get my tefillin before they locked the doors. This was truly hashgacha pratis, according to all its interpretations!

(Hashgacha Pratis Newsletter)

I GAINED FROM EVERY SEC-OND OF TEFILLAH



Rav Mordechai Malachi shlit"a told the following story in the name of his friend, Rav Elchanan Tauber shlit"a from Brooklyn:

We live in New York and our parents live in London, so flying is routine for our family. It is expensive, because the price of a flight is much higher than that of an intercity bus. In general, every visit to our parents becomes a break from routine: Every time we travel we prepare to stay a while and spend a lot of money on traveling and keeping our family busy and preparing clothing and things we need for the trip. We are simple people - a father, a mother and three children, making the trip once again to be with Saba and Savta, to be close to them and give them nachas.

We had a very busy day, and from early morning we were preparing to travel. We left early enough, but things moved slowly at the airport and we had to wait a long time at each stage. At the various checkpoints we stood on long, slow-moving lines. What could have taken a minute took five. What seemed like it would be taken care of within a second took three.

I strengthened myself in Emunah that all the delays were only for the good, but one thing worried me: the sun. It was making its way westward, and I hadn't yet davened Minchah. I worriedly followed the clock and was happy when we made it onto the

plane before sunset. The first thing I did once we were settled was to daven Minchah. I didn't have the time to gather a minyan. I tried to have kavanah and asked Hashem for the flight to pass peacefully. While I was still davening, I heard an announcement from the stewardesses:

"Dear travelers, the plane is filled to capacity, and there are passengers who reserved seats on this flight who do not have seats. Any passenger willing to get off and take the next flight instead will receive a cash bonus of one thousand dollars."

The announcement reached my ears while I was davening, but I couldn't refrain from thinking about it. A thousand dollars! I wasn't traveling to an event that would take place at a specific time, and it wasn't urgent for me to be specifically on this flight. I could wait for the next one. It would really be okay with me, and a thousand dollars for each member of my family meant we would get \$5,000 - not a small sum at all, and one that could help me out a lot!

Nu, the yetzer pushed me: Get up and tell them you're willing to get off along with your family.

Oh no, I responded. I'm davening to the King of all kings now, and I will absolutely not interrupt. Whatever will be, will be.

I continued. The steward made his announcement again, and once again my yetzer hara told me this was a matter that could not be pushed off. With the speed of light, the yetzer was able to send through my mind thoughts that this was a matter of pikuach nefesh (?!), davar ha'aved – a possibly irreplaceable loss (was it Chol Hamoed now?!) and even a type of rationalization that since I was not capable of focusing on tefillah anyway, perhaps it would be preferable to stop and inform the steward that we were prepared to get off the plane.

With siyata diShmaya, I overcame all this false reasoning and continued davening calmly, without skipping over or swallowing any words. Then, immediately after I finished, the steward's announcement was heard once again, this time with a slight difference: They were now offering a reward of \$2,500 per passenger!

I motioned to the steward, and they hurried over to me, concealing a huge sigh of relief. I gathered my whole family and told the children that our flight wasn't cancelled but only delayed, and this was really good for us. For each one of us who got off the plane we received \$2,500, amounting to a total of \$12,500!

We received \$5,000 for agreeing to wait for the next flight, and an additional \$7,500 in the merit of the fact that I refrained from interrupting in the middle of davening.

(Hashgacha Pratis Newsletter)



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hope that by the time this article is printed we'll already be freed from our long Galus, and together with Moshiach Tzidkeinu we'll proclaim and be Mamlich Hashem over the entire world!

HASHEM MATIR ASURIM

Thanking Hashem for freeing us from bondage, is applicable to a lot of Invanim that we experience each day. One of the 15 Birchois Hashachar that Chazal instituted for us to bless every single morning is Matir Asurim. In one of the opening praising Brachois of Shemoinei Esrei we praise Hashem "U'matir Asurim.

We thank Hashem each and every morning for helping us stretch our muscles, so that they should be able to function normally throughout the day. Anybody that has ever felt the pain of a tight or stiff muscle, should think about it when saying that B'racha in the morning! Ah! B"H What a relief!

The fact is that the actual energy that enters a stretched muscle is a lot more, than into a muscle that wasn't sufficiently, and correctly loosened and stretched. The muscles must receive the energy chemical known as adenosine triphosphate (or in short ATP), and must also absorb oxygen into the muscle's fibrous tissue. For the most effective and maximum absorption the muscle must be stretched. It'll result in the muscle's optimum functionality. A lot of what physical therapists are busy doing with their patients even before strengthening any muscles, is to get them to be stretched as much as possible. (Caution: never overstretch!) It'll also help the muscle not to tighten up, and then lock into a cramp.

Boruch Hashem for the ability to stretch are tightened and stiffened similar to one that is Chas V'Shaloim bound by the way of ropes or shackles. In the morning, we are B"H freed from that sort of bondage.

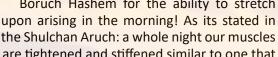
Muscle cramps can sometimes occur, when the muscles are constantly contracting and letting go slowly, with concentric and then eccentric contraction. They can get locked and sort of frozen, in the process. It's a very painful experience, and worth remembering when we thank for "Matir Asurim".

An interesting note worth remarking about, is that the prime stretching is achieved when

> that muscle is totally relaxed, as when we're still lying in bed! In a standing position your body is continuously contracting different sets of muscles to stabilize your body. To stand straight your back, leg, metatarsal, and tiny toe muscles are slightly tightening, and loosening, as you're shifting your weight around, in a balancing act. It's Pilei P'loiyim what's going on the whole time! Now of course, when we start bending over, sitting down,

standing up, there are much more muscles involved in every movement. Since the muscles are busy contracting as we stand and move around, we absolutely cannot stretch them in that position. If one stretches their muscles while they're contracted, it'll result in micro tears of the muscle tissue. Our Heilige Chazal established the time to make the Brocho, at the first stretching of the morning. But, more than that, they chose the stretching time, and originally the time the Brocho should be said to be while still laying totally relaxed in bed! There isn't a better time and position than that! The Chazal knew it all with Divine Inspiration! Nowadays we say the Brochois when fully dressed B'Kuvoid.

There are other Invanim that are related to bondage, for which we should thank Hashem for, when we say that B'rocho, each morning.





There are people that were once, Rachmana L'Tzlan sort of bound to their homes. They Rachmana L'Tzlan stayed home a whole day, not having anything that's interesting enough for them to go and do, outside of their homes. And now they feel free again. B"H! "Boruch Matir Asurim!"

For some it could have been related to something embarrassing that hindered their ability to socialize comfortably. One's weight, looks, dress, or just the feeling of being maladjusted to a new group of neighbors, or a community of people, can sometimes Chas V'Shaloim, render them homebound. When they feel comfortable enough to be with them again, it deserves a Brocho to thank Hashem, "Matir Asurim!

The distance may have been related to a traumatic break-up of some sort in the aftermath of an argument or disagreement that he had. It can Chas V'Shloim cause a person to feel ostracized from the community, or from the company of certain people. When things B"H get straightened out we say "Baruch Matir Asurim"!

This distanced feeling could Chas V'Shaloim, even have been with his previous friends and his close family members. Those with whom he used to have close relationships, and felt comfortable spending his time talking, laughing, or schmoozing with them. Maybe he occasionally

even did interesting or exciting things together with them. He now feels uncomfortable in their presence. He feels isolated and locked up in his own world. When there is regained peace and reconciliation, He feels freed! It deserves a grand, great Brocho! Baruch Matir Asurim!

Feeling inferior, or not be-

ing on the same thought wavelength can Chas V'Shaloim, cause one to get a feeling of being alienated from others. Any ailment, either physical, emotional, mental, or spiritual, Rachmana L'Tzlan, can for various reasons keep one feeling stuck at home, alone. When help comes about from Hashem, along with the ability to socialize once again, he'll be shouting loudly BORUCH MATIR ASURIM!

I have a close Tzaddik friend who, after a long hospitalization, had to relearn how to walk, and then slowly regain his muscle strength to be able to walk and climb steps again. This Tzaddik was so happy when he was freed from the wheelchair and then from his walker! He rejoiced with every step that he took on his own! Boruch Matir Asurim!

Years ago, one of my sons was once with his Yeshivah on a mid-winter break, hiking trip. As they were descending the mountain that they had climbed, he slipped on some ice-covered rocky area. He couldn't continue his walk down. The Yeshiva Bochurim created some sort of makeshift stretcher and carried him all the way down the mountain to the waiting buses. It turned out that he had broken his tib/fib, and needed surgery. B"H the surgery was with Hatzlocho, and he can walk, run and jump with his 6'2" body again. When he was freed from his cast, and from being stuck at home, he really enjoyed, and rejoiced in getting out and back to rejoin the bachurim in Yeshivah! B"H! He still remembers very vividly the joy of being freed from having to stay home! Boruch Matir Asur-

When we Be'ezer Hashem can free ourselves from the claws of the Yetzer Hora, we can very well, and very appropriately express our thanks to Hashem with "Boruch Matir Asurim"!

> When someone is freed from any sort, or type of an addiction, it's properly expressed with: "Boruch Matir Asurim"!

> We all really felt it a few years ago, upon being freed from our home isolation after

the Covid-19 pandemic passed B"H! Boruch Matir Asurim!

Hashem should help the hostages to be freed and return home safely! And, all Yidden that are Rachmana L'Tzlan incarcerated to be freed speedily!

May we be Zoiche to be freed from this very long Galus in the near future! EVEN TODAY! We'll ALL SAY with joy and happiness the Brocho: "Boruch Matir Asurim! May it be soon, Ba'agolo U'Bizman Kariv!





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A LIFE WITH BITACHON ON THE PARSHA

Section 4, #261: The רבינו בחיי in his introduction to this week's Parsha asks, we all know that Pinchos with all his קנאות went ahead and killed זמרי. The Gemara says that in order for Pinchos to have done this heroic brave act, many nissim had to have taken place. One of them was that Zimri had a lot of bodyguards all around him making sure no one would start up with him. They were well armed and ready to attack anyone who tries to get near Zimri. Pinchos was going into a lion's den, putting his life in tremendous danger. What was the heter for Pinchos to kill Zimri? Doesn't it say וחי בהם How did he have the right to risk his life to do such a Mitzva?

מרבינו בחיי answers, that the reason why Pinchos was able to go, is because he was going with Bitachon in Hakadoish Boruch Hu. When a person goes with complete trust in Hashem, he has a different set of laws. With Bitachon, a person has all the protection in the world. Therefore, Pinchos did not even see the danger. To him, the body guards had no Koach, he felt fully protected with Hashem as his shield. He knew that he was untouchable and no one could harm him. This is why he had a right to kill Zimri.

And as we all know, that's exactly what happened. Pinchas killed Zimri, without getting a scratch.

Says רבינו בחיי, we need to learn from Pinchos that someone who lives with Bitachon has a different Shulchan Aruch. Our job in this world is to zoom out of teva and into the world of Hakadoish Boruch Hu as much as possible. With this, we will be zoche to a hanhaga of I'ma'ala miderech hateva from the Kol Yachol.

A Yiddishe Mamme Shared: My baby wasn't feeling well and had a high fever. I was discussing it with a friend. My friend toold me, "Yes. There is a virus going around with those symptoms. I actually just went through it with my baby. It lasts for three to five days, and it comes with these very uncomfortable symptoms. My doctor said there is nothing to do and you just have to wait for it to pass." I hung up the phone feeling alarmed.

Then I corrected myself, "There is nothing to do? If I bring Hashem into the picture, He isn't limited to laws of nature and doctor's facts." I put my full trust in Hashem and went to sleep calmly.

The very next morning my baby woke up with a bright, happy smile. He was completely back to himself! As if he never got sick to begin with!

A Yiddishe Mamme shared: it was Friday afternoon; the clock was ticking and there was still a lot to get done. My husband wanted to go to a shiur. My first thought was that I had no energy. How will I manage to prepare for Shabbos without my husband? However, I knew that it is not me, nor my husband who makes Shabbos. I can place my trust and reliance on the Kol Yachol to help me out with the preparations. I told my husband that I won't lose out from sending him to the shiur, and I confidently sent him off. Amazingly, as soon as he left I got a wave of energy. It was contagious and my kids jumped in to help out as well. With that, the house swiftly became clean from top to bottom, and we were ready for Shabbos in record time! I saw the enormous Siyatta Dishmaya by putting my trust in Hashem!

A set of parents shared: Our son was becoming Bar Mitzva. He had many keriah issues, and had a very hard time with reading. We hired a professional baal korei to help him, but the baal korei said that leining the Parshah might be too difficult for him. We felt it would be very good for him to lein, so we kept encouraging him to keep on trying and not give up. Two weeks before the Bar Mitzva, the shul notified us, that they have someone who tests the Bar Mitzva boys before they lein, to approve if the boy knows the parsha well enough. They asked that we send him to be tested. We sent him to be tested, and the report came back that our son had no clue how to read, and there was no way he would be approved to lein. His situation was hopeless. Because we listen to A Life With Bitachon, instead of getting upset and frustrated, we said, "Aderaba! Now we will really rely on Hashem, and we're sure that somehow it'll work out."

We requested that the baal koreh practice with our son one more time, to give it one more shot. We strengthened our Emuna and Bitachon, and we were sure that this time the tester would be satisfied. In the end, our son was approved to lein! He did such a good job, that even the most critical people in Shul commented that his leining was remarkable! It was so perfect, clear, geshmak and beautiful! Even weeks afterward, people kept praising him!

This makes no sense! He went from helpless and hopeless, to a master and a pro! How do we understand this? Because a baal bitachon has different laws and rules!

Another story that was called in: I suffered from chronic, severe backpains for many years. I tried every trick in the book. Massages, specialized mattresses, exercise, medication, Sarno, physical therapy and more. Nothing helped. It was hopeless. I could barely function properly, and it was only getting worse.

Recently, someone gave me the number to 'A Life With Bitachon.' I started realizing that nobody and nothing in the world can help me, besides Hakadosh Baruch Hu, the Kol Yachol. I started having bitachon that Hashem would make my back feel better. Amazingly, in less than two weeks, my pains disappeared completely! My back felt in shape, and I felt better than ever before! Even better than all those years that I didn't have any backpains to begin with!

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What Did You Say?

This Shabbos is the first of the three weeks when we mourn the destruction of the Beis Hamikdosh. Each week we read a haftorah where the Navi encourages Klal Yisroel to do teshuva. The haftorah of the first week begins "דברי ירמיהו" - the words of Yirmiyahu." The second begins "המעו דבר ה' hear the word of Hashem," and the third one begins הזון ישעיהו – the vision of Yeshayahu." Rav Yehonason Eibshetz writes (Ahavas Yehonason) that this is to teach us that we must guard what we hear, say, and see. The Chida adds that there is a remez to this in the pasuk (Tehillim 51:12) "לב טהור ברא לי אלוקים, ורוח נכון הדש (Tehillim 51:12) המעו בקרבי" and we are davening that Hashem should instill in us a new spirit to help us use our sight, speech, and hearing properly. Based on this, let us focus during these weeks not only on using these essential tools properly, but also on appreciating how great these gifts are.

This week we will discuss speech, one of the primary differences between humans and animals. Scientists are baffled as to why animals cannot speak even though many have the same mouth structure as humans. However, Chazal tell us the reason - the source of this ability is from the highest place – our Neshama, which animals do not have. The pasuk says (Bereishis 2:7) –Hashem blew into the nostrils of Adam a soul of life. The Targum explains that this means Hashem gave him the ability to speak. Speech is a wonderful gift, as without it it would be very hard to have interaction with other human beings. Speech signifies the intelligence that Hashem instilled us with, and the ability to convey our thoughts and feelings to other people.

Most of us barely give a conscious thought to the process of speaking, but it is one of the most complex actions we perform. In order to speak, our brain needs to quickly and precisely coordinate our lips, jaw, tongue and larynx (voice box). In addition, the lungs must send air through the vocal cords, so that we can form the sound into letters and words. Different letters and sounds use different parts of our mouth, and we do without any effort.

If you are able to open your mouth and easily express what is on your mind, don't take that for granted! There are many people who have a hard time getting out their words, which can be frustrating for them. Others have difficulty with word retrieval. When people choose specific words to communicate their ideas, they're using word retrieval skills. People who struggle with word retrieval often have trouble finding the right word for what they want to say or write. If your words come out smoothly from your mouth – that is a blessing! It is even more amazing how a child learns to speak. We speak full sentences to these little people and "somehow" they start picking up words and use them to express themselves!

Some *Meforshim* write that when we say "אשר יצר את האדם בחכמה Who fashioned man with wisdom" we are thanking Hashem for giving man wisdom. Since the ability to speak is one of the greatest signs of that wisdom, this week, when we say this beracha, let us thank Hashem for being able to speak.

BS"D And I will Dwell Among Them Vayikra 25:8

Part One (of three) By Mrs. S. Mordechai

came into being; Whose Countenance is in-earth meets heaven. scrutable and hidden. We seek your Presence always and wait for Ma'or Panecha to return to Nvai Kodshecha to illuminate us: B'nai Yaakov Bichirov, Your Beloved Yidden.

Ain Od Milvado means Hashem's love is the first Jew. everywhere but everywhere is hard to know.

He revealed Himself from His Kisay HaKa-

The Divine Presence hovered upon the facing west. surface of the waters, before there were lu-

minaries, before there was light. earth was empty with tohoo v'vohoo and darkness was deeper than night.

The Borai Olam spoke "It Will Be," on the foundation stone, HaShetiya, the Holy Even; Blessed are You who spoke and the world yaish m'ayin, He created the world, where

> To the East Hashem breathed life into the nostrils of Adam HaRishon, He blew: then waited twenty generations for His Bechor,

When Adam and Chava ate the forbidden vod. to us His Chosen Children, down below. fruit and failed the first test, Adam HaRishon made an altar and sought atonement there,

His sons offered korbonos where their father's altar had been. Hevel presented the choicest of his sheep he found. Kayin gave the chaff of his crop. Then jealousy and murder bloodied that Holy ground.

Noach built an altar on the same sacred spot; After the mabul he knew the world needed to repent. He burned offerings of every clean creature and a satisfying aroma to shomayim was sent.

Altar to Altar; sacrifice to sacrifice forgiveness was earned. The Shechina rested on a transient spark of holiness, but still for a Mikdash Hashem's Presence yearned.

His Shechina was at His Holy Mountain in the land of Moriah, Rosh Amanah, for faith in G-d, it is called before Yerushalayim, Ir HaKodesh, was an inhabited city that was walled.

The Joy of all the earth. The fairest of sites, the Avos well knew. When Avraham and Yitzhak proved their Yirah at the Akaida, Hashem led them "to the mountain that I will show you."

Yaakov Avinu, found The Sanctuary, the House of G-d, where all prayers rise to Kel Shakai at Har HaMor.

Here is Hashem's Constant Presence, Heaven's Gate. Tamid patuach is His door.

On his way to take a wife, Yisrael met The Holy One Who blessed him at that Makom.

In time, here at the center of the world, would be for the Shechina the Beis HaMikdash, a final and everlasting home.

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Q: Where in the Parsha do we find a connection with the pictures below?

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Parsha Delight Question of the Week

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Chapter 26:19 reads as follows: - בְּנֵי יְהוּדָה עֵר וְאוֹגֵן נַיָּמֶת עֵר וְאוֹגֵן בְּאֶבֶץ כְּנֵען - אוֹנָן בְּאֶבֶץ כְּנֵען Why does the pasuk use the singular verb form וימת Shouldn't it be plural, וימותו? See also Parshas Vayigash (46:12)

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Parshas Pinchos

- 1. How many בתי אבות where there for שבט שמעון?
- 2. Why did Hashem add a ' and a ' to the names of the families of the Yidden?
- 3. Why weren't the children of punished like קרח?
- 4. Who fought against the Yidden after Ahron was nifter?
- 5. What were the names of the children of יהודה that died in ארץ בנען?
- 6. How many people were in the family of Binyomin?
- 7. Why was the name of שרח בת אשר mentioned?

This week's questions are until שלישי

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CASE OF THE WEEK:

Michal Jacobs was searching for the cordless phone, when she discovered that one



year old Zevi was playing with it in the bathroom. He was giggling away as he thrust it into the toilet. When Michal pulled it out, it was all waterlogged. Would the phone ever work again? How was she to make all those phone



calls she needed to make, after all she really disliked using her cell phone.

Help Michal have ayin tova for her situation

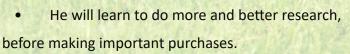
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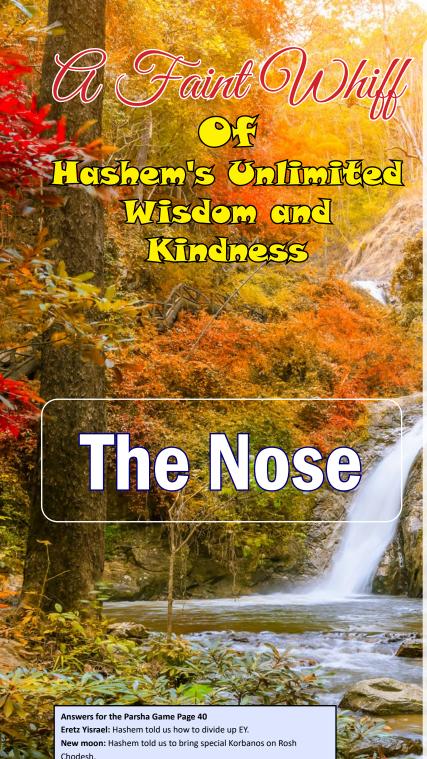


Suggestions for the case where Yossi, upon his friend's advice, ended up overpaying for a stereo:





- He will be able to teach his friend that he didn't act properly in telling him what he did, and the friend will be appreciative.
- Everyone needs to go through an exercise like this to recognize that Hashem helps those who help themselves. It's Hashem that we should be relying on and not salesmen
 - Now that he knows he overpaid, he can try to see if he can get a refund.
 - Maybe the owner made a mistake.
- Maybe his friend and the store owner have different standards for a "high quality" stereo, where the friend is specific about what he likes.
 - Perhaps, there was some kind of miscommunication which resulted in this unfortunate outcome.
 - It's only a stereo, and he will learn that it's not that big of a deal.



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relevant because you have all three of them together. If there are odors galore in the world but no smell receptors to receive them, the odors would be useless. So too, if it would be the opposite way around, if there would be smell receptors but no odors. Or if there would be odors and receptors but there would be no section in the brain to receive it. That would leave scientists scratching their heads trying to figure out what is the purpose of these two things, why were they created.

Hashem designed, in His wisdom, all of the pieces that when they all work together they create a wondrous function which is important and useful. We can use a mashal to bring this out.

Imagine a company that designed an amazing car but it doesn't have any access to gas, or a company that has excellent gas but doesn't have access to vehicles. Or it has cars that are full of gas that are in the middle of a dense forest, it would be a waste of time and energy. Only if you have cars, gas and roads, then all three can benefit people. Hashem created these three things to give us the incredible gift of smell.

Let's take a closer look at how the sense of smell works. How do odors reach us. When we smell something we don't have to put it inside our nose in order to pick up the scent. So how does the scent of something which is at the other side of the room get to us? The explanation is that Hashem created special molecules that contain odors. They are tiny, invisible and very light. They float in the air and travel from the object that they were part of to our nasal cavity where these molecules give us a very unique smell. We don't necessarily have to go to them, instead they come to us.

Hashem created so many different types of smell molecules which is the reason why there is such a large number of smells. Some things smell much stronger than others. One of the things that cause something to give off a much stronger odor is heat. The reason for this is that heat stimulates the release of smell molecules at a much faster rate than usual. Hashem's design in this point is very apparent. When food gets exposed to heat, it's more important for us to pick up the smell. This is because heated food is ready to be consumed and the smell increases the amount of pleasure that we receive. And of course overheated food that begins to burn it's important for us to receive. From our sense of smell a clear and strong message comes so we can respond accordingly. There is a whole active, invisible world that is moving and we may have not even paid attention to it – and its right under our nose.

From Texas A fascinating true acc journey to Shamayim a

file following is an abbreviated transcript of a taped interview of Ben Rumin, an employee of NASA and the US air force, in which he gives over, in astonishing and captivating detail, his near death experience.

At the age of only 18, Ben suffered what would be the most extreme heart attack anyone in history is known to have survived, in which 60% of his heart was destroyed.

A secular Jew, raised by secular parents near Houston, Texas, Ben was devoid of knowledge of Torah and Yiddishkeit. In the following pages, he describes how he "returned" from his near-death experience to a soon-to-be baal teshuva, with a shlichus assigned to him by Hashem Himself to tell his story, and to be mekariv as many Yidden as possible to their Father in Shomayim. His survival is described by many doctors in medical journals as miraculous and medically impossible.

(We've done our best to transcribe the crux of his words from the interview, in his own speaking style with minimal editing, so the flavor of his expression and passion comes through to the reader. Interspersed throughout the interview was a brief narration added for clarity, parts of which have been included here as well, in italics):

Secular Background

"I went to (public) middle school and met Jews for the first time in my life. They said, 'We're having a Bar Mitzvah, and you're invited!' I said, 'What is that?' They said, 'It's when you're called up to the Torah, and you have a party and invite a lot of people, and they give you lots of money!' I said, 'That sounds wonderful! How do I get one of those?!' They said, 'Ask your parents to make you one!' So I went home and asked my parents to make me a Bar Mitzvah. They asked me what I meant, and I told them, and they weren't so interested. I pushed and pushed and pushed (I felt that this was the first experience of my neshama really pushing for something), and eventually my parents gave in. They said, 'Okay. We'll enroll you in the local conservative synagogue, and you'll learn how to have a Bar Mitzvah, and you'll have a Bar Mitzvah...'

"When I turned about fifteen years old, I had a Bar Mitzvah, and I got called up to read

ount of a young man's and then back to Earth.

from the Torah, and they said, clap, clap, 'Your formal Jewish education is now complete.' I said, 'Formal Jewish education?! I just got here! I probably have the level of knowledge of a third grader! How can you say that this is all there is to learn? There must be more! In the secular world, students go on from High School to University and even on to get a PhD and Masters and all kinds of different specializations- there must be more to learning Yiddishkeit.' I was told, 'No, this is the height of what there is to learn, and if you want to learn more, you have to become a Rabbi or do something else,' and I said, 'I want to do more. What more can I do?' And they said, 'If you really want to do more, you can teach our pre-K and kindergarten Chumash and Navi.'"

Ben taught the kids, and through that, he was able to learn a bit more Torah than he had known before. When Ben was eighteen, his parents decided he had to go to university to learn a profession. His parents said, "We're only paying for your dorm and your food, but beyond the education, we're not paying for any entertainment." So, to make some pocket money, Ben went to a convention to become a salesman. Ben continues:

"After the convention, my friends and I decided to go out to eat. It was a chicken wings restaurant, and when we came in, I saw a wall with names from bottom to top, and the number 4 written beside the names (at the bottom of the list), with the numbers ascending as the names went up the wall (5, 6, etc). I asked the waitress, 'What is this?', and she said, 'This is the hot-wings challenge! If you can eat more than four of our spiciest hot wings, you get your name on the wall!' I said, 'That's it? How hot can it be?' She said, 'Well, you need to sign a waiver, because these wings are very dangerous to eat. They are the strength of 300 jalapenos!' So, my friends and I dared each other (to take the hot-wings challenge). I took a bite and immediately was in searing pain that no amount of milk or water would help.

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Chosheve Yungerman, a follower of the Hashem Loves You Hotline, whom we will call Naftali*, shared that he and his wife recently rushed to the Emergency Room because their baby was having difficulty breathing. They were in the hospital for many hours, and hadn't eaten anything the entire day. Night arrived and they still had eaten almost nothing. They were beyond starving. Just then, Hashem sent two girls from Lev Rochel Bikur Cholim who knocked on their door in the busy Emergency Department and asked them, "Can we give you supper?" They then left them with two overstuffed

bags with supper and more! Naftali was genuinely stunned because his nursing wife and baby are severely allergic to many foods and they were sure that even if they would find some food, they would not be able to eat it because most likely it would contain something they were allergic to. And yet, they opened the supper and saw that it contained fresh delicious food, and EVERYTHING that they were allowed to eat! The supper contained

ZERO allergies! They both felt tangibly how Hashem took care of them and sent them exactly what they needed, even in a busy emergency room! They felt so loved by Hashem!

Naftali proceeded to share that when they were admitted to the hospital and assigned a room, they needed to stay in the hospital overnight. Naftali is only able to rest if he puts headphones or earplugs

in his ears. Otherwise, the outside noise is disturbing for him. They had no time to pack anything for their unexpected stay, since they arrived at the hospital in a Hatzalah ambulance. Naftali thought to himself, "What are the chances that I will find headphones or earplugs in this hospital at 11:30 pm? I accept that Hashem placed me here for a good reason and if He wants to give me

these items, He surely can. If He doesn't want to, then I lovingly accept that He knows exactly what He is doing and it is one thousand percent for the good." Naftali then asked a nurse for earplugs or headphones. The nurse came back a few minutes later and said, "The Patient Experience department provides these bags, we ran out a long time ago, but I just found one last one in the desk drawer. Here it is."

Naftali opened the bag, and what was inside?

Headphones! AND Earplugs! Plus, a bonus blindfold for sleeping.

Naftali shared that he felt so loved by Hashem! He felt that Hashem deeply cared for him! This great feeling helped him stay Be'Simcha despite various challenges and difficulties that Hashem set up for him throughout that night to help him grow.

Hashem knows exactly what we need, and deeply cares about us!

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