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FROM THE EDITOR



The Yeshiva where I teach, Yeshiva Bais Binyomin in Monsey, New York, just held a yahrtzeit seudah for its founder, the Menhael R' Dovid Hersch Mayer zatzal. His son, R' Yaakov Yosef Mayer, spoke by the seudah and brought out how the only thing the Torah mentions about Moshe Rabbeinu, while he was growing up, was how he thought and cared for others. People and sheep! That's who the greatest person to walk on earth was. That's why he was chosen to lead Klal Yisrael.

Baruch Hashem, I am zoche to be part of an amazing organization called Chinuch Chaburah where over 600 Rebbeim and Menhalim share ideas, solutions and experience with each other.

A Rebbe who is part of the Chinuch Chaburah shared this incredible story:

ry:

I saw this with my own eyes.

We all know that it is hard to raise money, whether for yourself, your family or others.

In a small out-of-town shul in the northeast there were four Meshulachim who arrived one afternoon for Mincha /Maariv. To make matters more difficult, there was a snow storm and the roads were barely plowed.



During davening, one of the congregants noticed that one of the Meshulachim was not wearing any socks. On this day, this congregant was wearing two pairs to keep his feet dry and warm from the cold snow.

He sneaked out of Maariv, removed one pair and wrote a small note on a piece of paper, "Please take this extra pair of socks."

As the Meshulach left davening, the congregant found him and gave him the socks and the note.

With a smile on the face of the Meshulach, he accepted them and placed them on his feet. As I watched this, my only wish was that I would have brought an extra pair to shul as well.

Maybe, I will keep one in my Tallis box, just in case.

Mi K'amcha Yisrael!

What an amazing story. What a zechus to be part of such a beautiful nation!

In truth, we are all doing the same even though we don't carry extra pairs of socks on us.

Every time we give a smile, a nice greeting, a compliment or show acknowledgment to the people around us, we are spreading warmth and love. Just by saying a simple, 'Good morning' or 'Thank you' or holding the door open we make peoples' day.

Showing people that they mean something to us is the GREATEST form of Tzedakah.

And of course, we know that we mean the world to Hashem.

He cares for us and is there for us 24/7, sending us messages of non-stop love and encouragement. All we need to do is open our eyes!

What an amazing world we live in!

HAVE A BEAUTIFUL SHABBOS!

Yitzchak I. Kaufman



MIRACLE ON THE ROAD

We were supposed to travel to Silver Spring for Shabbos Chanuka, and on the Tuesday prior, I took the car for an oil change and to fix up a couple of issues. Due to unusual circumstances, our trip to Silver Spring didn't work out, which was disappointing, but we ended up having a great time with our married children who came in for Shabbos Chanukah.

On Sunday morning, at about 9:00 am, my wife was driving when the car malfunctioned and started swaying to the right. She managed to steer it into a driveway, which just "happened" to be an Auto Repair shop! She parked the car, but discovered that as soon as she took her foot off the brake, the car started to roll back to the road, even though the engine was off and the car was in park!

My wife called AAA and conferred me on the call. At this stage, I began looking for a car to borrow to drive over to her. Suddenly, my wife started honking the horn.

I asked her, "What's up?" She said a light went on inside the Auto Repair Shop.

The person inside heard the honking and came out. His name was Aron. My wife explained the situation to him, and he took a look at the car. He said we needed a new axle on the front passenger wheel. He offered to put some bricks behind the wheels to stop it rolling, and said the shop could fix it Monday morning.

We canceled the AAA call, and my wife asked Aron why he was

at work on a rainy Sunday morning. He said that he had been so busy on Friday, that he had not had time to clean up his tools to be ready for the new week, so he came in to straighten things out, which is very unusual for him. We could not believe it!

A few minutes later, I found a car to borrow and went to pick up my wife. As we were driving home, it occurred to me that if we had driven to Baltimore in our car, that axle would have broken on the highway! Oh my! We could not believe the different elements of Hashgacha Pratis that we had just experienced. We thanked Hashem again and again! (As told to Rav Eli Yelen)



IT'S ALL HASHEM!

On Leil Shabbos night someone related the following amazing story to me:

He was in Europe and met a friend. His friend, for the past ten years, wanted to go to Uman for Rosh Hashana, but, Ukraine would not allow him entry. For some reason, his passport upon being scanned, would be refused entry.

He told his friend to come with him and with Hashem's help he would get in. "We will concentrate on 'Ein od Milvado.'"

They boarded the train. The inspector came around scanning the passports. She held the friend's

passport and was about to scan it. They were intently saying, "Ein Od Milvado." Just then, another inspector called her name. She turned around, and as she turned she handed the passport back to him without scanning it! He went to Uman! (Rav Eli Yelen)



A FATHER'S DREAM

R' Dovid Kletzkin from Yerushalayim, with tears in his eyes, said over the following amazing story:

One of his sons, Yitzchok ben Basya, has been hospitalized in serious condition for over a half a year. He opens his eyes here and there and can move some of his limbs, but he hasn't been able to communicate and talk.

He spent Shabbos Chanukah in the hospital with him.

On Leil Shabbos he sang songs by his son's bedside hoping to see a response, but nothing happened.

R' Dovid works all week in the Chevra Kadisha and gets very little sleep. Leil Shabbos is the only night he's able to sleep all night. He was very exhausted and was looking forward to good night's sleep.

He fell asleep and, in his dream, he sees his son Yitzchok standing up looking good and healthy.

"What's doing, Yitzchok?" He excitedly asked his son

"You want me to talk? Yitzchok asked his father. "Tell people that

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they shouldn't talk by davening, and I'll start to talk."

"Yitzchok," said R' Dovid, "You know that I don't talk in shul from my Bar Mitzvah. The entire family doesn't speak during davening."

Yitzchok then showed his father a few shuls. "Look here at the last bench. Look at this shul in the Ezras nashim... Why are they speaking during davening...? Tell people that they should stop talking by davening and I'll start talking."

His son was screaming.

R' Dovid was so shaken that his son was screaming that he woke up. It was 2 a.m. and couldn't sleep anymore.

He asked to please spread the story and the message. (Heard on Zichron Shlomo hotline)



A TRUE HERO

I am a melamed in a cheder. One child in my class was scholastically very weak. His memory was not good, he didn't understand basic things, and the more things that were explained to him, the less, it seemed, he understood.

We learned mishnayos Yuma until Pesach, and he didn't understand anything – as if he was groping in the dark. But after Pesach we started learning mishnayos Tamid, and then we discovered that this child understands very well and remembers everything he was taught! He knew and succeeded like one of the better boys!

I was truly amazed, and the boy noticed my amazement. "Is Rabbi surprised?" he asked me, and I answered that I was indeed surprised.

"It really is something special that Hashem opened up my eyes," the child said. "When we were learning mishnayos, Rabbi told us about the holy Tanna Rabi Masya ben Charash and asked who heard about him. A few boys in class said that their mothers lit a candle in the zechus of Rabi Masya ben Charash, but Rabbi explained that Rabi Masya is not candles, he is a great Tanna who withstood a huge nisayon in shemiras einayim and burned his eyes so as not to stumble and see any forbidden sight. Hashem made a miracle for him and healed his eyes.

I thought to myself that I also need to safeguard my eyes. Across from the bus stop where I wait for the bus every morning is a school for nonreligious girls. At the exact time when I wait there, they come to school. Since Rabbi spoke about

Rabi Masya ben Charash, I started to guard my eyes and not to look at all at the school and at who was walking there. I just started guarding my eyes and not lifting them in that direction at all, and while I do this I daven to Hashem that He should enlighten my eyes in His Torah, that I should understand what we're learning. That I should be able to be on the same level as the other boys in the class. "And that's it. Hashem heard my tefillos!"

I was shocked by the child's story. The child who, until the time he stopped looking at what was happening across from the bus stop, was considered weak in learning. This is a child who proved what true strength is all about, and he was zocheh to see tangibly Hashem's yeshuah.

How much strength is there in the words we say to our talmidim in class, and how much strength does a Yid have! (Hashgacha Pratis Newsletter)



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FILIPINO SPREADS TORAH

R' Avi from Toronto, ON, has ALS and has lost use in his two arms. He listens every day to R' Eli Stefansky's Daf Hayomi shiur. It's what keeps him going.

His Filipino nurse noticed how much the shiur is doing for him and she suggested another client of hers, a seventy-year-old Yid from Thornhill, to join the shiur!

After she made this shidduch, she won a substantial amount playing the lottery! (R' Eli Stefansky)

BOY GIVES BRACHOS



On Motzei Shabbos Vayechi, 12 Teves 5785, it was my son Yeshaya's seventh birthday. He gave my two other sons, 10-year-old Moshe Yehuda and 5-year-old Avraham Dovid brachos that they should win raffles by Avos U'banim. In addition, he gave his seatmate in Shul, 11-year-old Eli Leiner, a bracha that he should win.

Moshe Yehuda and Eli won raffles!

Yeshaya was davening hard to win but he didn't.

Eli didn't want the prize that he won because he already had it, and he felt bad for Yeshaya so he gave him his prize! Yeshaya was overjoyed!

The rule is in Kehilas Spring Hill

that some of the raffles are only for first time winners. So Yeshaya got a prize he wanted without having to win and was still eligible to go into all future raffles. Eli Leiner had already previously won a raffle, so he lost nothing by winning the prize. To the contrary he gained a mitzvah!

Another part of the Hasghacha Pratis is that Eli initially wanted to trade his unwanted prize with Moshe Yehuda, but Hashem orchestrated it that Yeshiva Bais Dovid, the yeshiva where Moshe Yehuda goes to, made a Melave Malka for boys who collected over \$50 during Chanukah. Moshe Yehuda collected over \$50 and left Avos U'banim early to catch the bus so he wasn't there when he won. I couldn't trade his prize with Eli's prize without his permission, so Eli ended up giving his unwanted prize to Yeshaya. Had Moshe Yehuda been there he very likely would have traded his prize with Eli's prize and Yeshaya would have been left with nothing...

A birthday gift from Hashem!

NEWS FROM HERE



Hashem provided the world with concrete!



Hashem provided beautiful sunlight to the entire world!

(From the Spring Hill Times Editor)

EVERYTHING IS THROUGH HIS WORD

One of my family members needed an important examination by a specialist. The cost of the examination was 1,500 shekels, and my health insurance did not cover it. The askan who had sent me for the examination told me that they would have to speak with the person in charge of the health insurance's budgeting, and to send a special request to the committee that approves nonstandard needs. "You'll need go through the whole process," he told me, "but even then, it's not certain that they'll reimburse you for the cost of the exam." Since the matter was very important and could not be pushed off, I couldn't wait for the answer; I couldn't have the examination be dependent on whether they would cover it or not. We set out with a checkbook and with tefillos



to Hashem that everything would work out.

Since the doctor's clinic is located on a street where the residents are, unfortunately, not shomer Shabbos, I took a taxi in order to guard my eyes. Although I do not have money in abundance, I placed my burden on Hashem, for traveling by taxi would enable me to carry out the mitzvah of "do not stray after your eyes."

Indeed – wonder of wonders – the examination took place on a Friday, and on Sunday I was called to give a speech in a certain beis medrash, and the sum the gabba'im there paid me covered the cost of the taxi.

All this is only a prelude to the

real story. The most meaningful part of the story is what happened at the clinic. Before I entered the doctor's office with my relative, I went over to the water cooler there and poured myself a cup of water, reciting the brachah of Shehakol niyah bidvaro with great kavanah. At that moment I had an idea. The letters of the word shehakol could stand for Shalem, hechzer – ken? Lo? – Will the insurance pay back the money? Yes? Or no? and the answer: Nihiya bidvaro – Hakadosh Baruch Hu would decide. The entire matter was according to His Word and in His Hands alone. After the examination I went over to the secretary, and after looking over our documents and checking the computer, she said, "You don't have to pay."

I have no idea what she saw there, but that was the fact: We did not have to pay for the examination. Why? I knew the answer in advance – because everything is done according to His Word! (Hashgacha Pratis Newsletter)

AND THERE



Hashem gave billions of children fun!



Hashem gave millions of people delicious grapes!

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Hashem Takes Care Of Us

R' Golombeck reported that there was a woman who worked as teacher. The school notified her that they have to cut her salary, and they were only going to be able to pay her a quarter of what she was getting paid. She decided it was not worth it for her to work, and she quit her job.

On that very same day, her husband got an offer to work an extra half hour every day, and he would get paid more than she was making at her job!

Poseach es yadaecha umasbia lechol chai ratzon



Hashem Is So Good To Us

After days of wonderful rain and cooler weather, Hashem gave the Tri-State area a wonderful mild day and Yiddin enjoyed it so much.

Thank You, Hashem!



Hashem Feeds Yeshiva Bocher

A yeshiva bocher from Lakewood, New Jersey reported that it was Thursday night, and he was very hungry. He had bitachon that Hashem is going to send him cholent. He was in a store with his friend, and someone who he knew came over to him and offered to buy him a bowl of cholent!

Einei chol eilecha yisabeiru v'ita nosen lahem es uchlum bito



Man From England Is Not Afraid

Rabbi Golombeck reported there was a yungerman from England who had a non-Jewish worker who was making problems for him. The worker threatened him that he's going to take him to court on different charges. The yid was not afraid. He thought, "Hashem's my father. I'm not

scared of Fisher-Price people."

They just had the court case, and the judge dismissed the case!

Hashem li lo irah ma ya'aseh li adam



Hashem Gives Yungerman Chizuk

R' Chaim from Monsey reported that he was out of gas in his car, and he had no money to buy more gas. His bank account was in the negative. Right before night seder, he called the Life with Bitachon hotline to be mischazek himself with Bitachon.

The story on the hotline was about a yungerman who had no money to buy gas. He had bitachon in Hashem that He'll send him the money. R' Chaim got the chizuk that he needed!

Chazak v'ameitz libecha v'kavei el Hashem



NEWS

Girl Davens to Hashem

A girl reported that there was a play coming up in her school and she really wanted to get an acting part. She davened to Hashem, and she sang "Hakol Yachol," and she got the part that she wanted!

Baruch shomea tefillah



Boy Feels Loved By Hashem

A boy from New York reported that it was Motzaei Shabbos and he wanted to win the raffle by Avos U'banim. He davened to Hashem, and Hashem heard his tefillos!

Baruch shomea tefillah



Yungerman from Yerushalayim Davens to Hashem

It was 3:10 in the afternoon Shabbos, Parshas Vayishlach, and R' Yisroel from Yerusha-

layim Ir Hakodesh was very tired. He needed to lay down, but he needed to be up in time for Mincha, which was at 4:00. He davened to Hashem to please wake him up.

At exactly 3:50, Hashem woke him up!

Baruch shomea tefilla



Boy From England Trusts In Hashem

R' Yehuda Weiss from England reported that his son was in class and his Rebbi was making a raffle. He was raffling off a bar of chalva. His son had bitachon that he was going to win it, but he did not win the raffle. Then, during recess, the boy who won the raffle came over to his son and said he doesn't like the bar, and he gave it to him!

Baruch hagever asher yivtach baHashem



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Rabbi Golembek reported there

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was a yungerman who had no money to his name, and he was unable to pay tuition for a few months. The school called him up and told him that if he wants to continue sending his children, he needed to make a tuition payment by the following Monday. He did not know what to do.

When he was davening Mincha, he davened to Hashem for help.

He then went to kollel and 'out of the blue' a yungerman came over to him and handed him a check for \$4,500.

Poseiach es yadecha umasbia l'chol chai ratzon



Woman from England Davens to Hashem

A mother from England reported she picked up her children from school, and she was really not feeling well. All she wanted to do was go into bed. She had no idea how she was going to

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be able to watch her children. She turned to Hashem, and she asked Hashem to please help her.

As she was putting the key into the door, her husband called and said that his schedule changed unexpectedly, and he was able to come home and watch the children. Hashem sent her the perfect babysitter!

Baruch shomea tefillah



Hashem Pays for Medical Bills

Rabbi Golombeck reported that there is a yungerman who learns in Bais Medrash Gavoah who had a medical condition and lots of expenses. He had no idea how he was going to cover them.

Someone then called him up and said that he had ma'aser money and wanted to give him

the money to help him cover his expenses. He gave him \$4,500!

Ki Ani Hashem rofecha, Mi k'amcha Yisroel



Man From England Trusts in Hashem

R' Avishai Berkowitz from Manchester, England was davening Shachris. There were people coming around collecting, and he wanted to give Tzedakah for Hachnosas Kallah, but none of the people were coming for Hachnosas Kallah. He thought, "I'm trusting in Hashem. He's going to send me someone that's collecting for Hachnosas Kallah."

As he was leaving Shul, there was someone standing by the door collecting for Hachnosas Kallah.

Vihaboteiach baHashem chesed yisovivenu



Girl Davens To Hashem

Chani was in class and



her teacher was making a raffle, where there was going to be two winners.

She asked Hashem if she could be one of them, and she was one of the winners!

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Hashem's Mighty Winds

Firefighters in Los Angeles, CA, have been struggling to control massive fires that are being spread by Hashem's powerful winds.

On Wednesday night, 9 Teves 5785, The Spring Hill Times reached out to one of its readers in Los Angeles.

Even though one of the fires was just a few miles away from his home and people a few blocks away from him were being evacuated, he sounded calm and composed. He said that every ember and spark has its exact address and the fires are fully under Hashem's control. Wow!

We may not fully understand everything about the fires (Ki Lo Machshevosei...) and each person affected has his/hers own reason why, but we do know that this is for the best for mankind. May Hashem comfort all those affected and continue to watch over everyone!



Hashem Pounds the Houthis

On Erev Shabbos, 10 Teves 5785, Hashem, using a coalition of the US, UK and Israeli air forces, bombed many targets of the Houthi terrorists in Yemen.



Hashem Watches Over Us

A siren sounded Tuesday morning, 14 Teves 5785, at 3:03 a.m. in Eretz Yisrael alerting people of an incoming missile from Yemen. Hashem, using the IAF, shot down the missile. A large 12 foot piece of the missile fell on a house near Beitar. Miraculously, no one was hurt!

Hodu L'Hashem Ki Tov Ki Leolam Chasdo!



Hashem Eliminates Terrorists

On Tuesday night, 15 Teves 5785, Hashem, using an IDF drone, eliminated 6 terrorists in Jenin.



Hopeful News

As we go to print, Wednesday 15 Teves 5785, it seems that Hashem is orchestrating a deal between Israel and Hamas and many of the hostages may be freed in the coming days. Hodu L'Hashem ki tov!



SHARING



Hashem is So Good: Thank you so much for spreading Hashem's goodness. My heilige children had a party today. It started pouring in Lakewood and they got into bathing suits and cover-ups and they were dancing in the rain. Unbelievable! Hashem sent them a sprinkler system and a water park all in one. Thank you so much for highlighting the good news. Hashem should watch over you. You should be blessed forever and ever. - A Ki Tov Listener

Hashem is Our Doctor: I'm calling from Eretz Yisrael. I've been listening to Ki Tov Hashem news for a couple of months already and I'm loving it. I've been listening to the Kav Bitachon already for a couple of years but I only recently learned about the Ki Tov Hashem news line. Thank you very, very much. Tizku l'mitzvos.

On Friday and Shabbos my baby had a diaper rash and it was just getting worse and worse as the day went on. He was really in a lot of pain. I was thinking on Motzei Shabbos that I need to get him cream, but I didn't have any and I didn't know when I was going to get cream for him.

When I changed him first thing Sunday morning, his diaper rash was gone without any cream. Baruch Hashem!



HASHEM'S KINDNESS



Hashem Takes Care of Us: A few weeks ago, we got a new bed for our three-year-old daughter. After a couple of nights, she got scared of a certain noise. She ended up sleeping part of night on a mat in our room. I really wanted her to sleep in her bed the whole night.

My wife told her she'll be able to have cookies and cream ice cream if she sleeps in her bed the whole night. A few weeks went by and she still wasn't able to sleep.

Finally on leil Shabbos, she slept in the bed the whole night. My wife had forgotten about the ice cream deal but my daughter reminded her. My wife realized that she moved the ice cream to a different freezer which we couldn't open on Shabbos. So she went upstairs to the neighbor, our landlord, and asked if they by any chance have ice cream. They said, "Let us check." They checked and they had one tub of ice cream with a little bit left, perfect amount and it was that exact ice cream- Cookies and Cream that we bought for my daughter! It was unbelievable hashgacha pratit. Hashem worked everything out so perfectly to the T. Perfect amount and perfect flavor that my daughter was looking forward to! Einei chol eilecha yesabeiru v'ata nosen lahem es achlam b'ito. -A Reader, Lakewood, NJ



Thank You, Hashem: Baruch Hashem, my son became a choson, and his kallah was coming for Shabbos. It was very hard finding an apartment, because a neighbor was making a simcha and the other apartments weren't available. I said, "B'ezeras Hashem, if I find an apartment, I will tell over the story to the Spring Hill Times."

I then started singing Hakol Yachol on the music section of 'A Life with Bitachon.' I told Hashem that we need an apartment for the kallah. Baruch Hashem, we were able to find an apartment for the kallah to stay at! - A reader

SHARING



Rain to the Rescue: I wanted to share a story of Hashgacha Pratis. On Shavuos, my neighbor and their cousins were acting silly outside. They threw a diaper outside, and it got all over the place near my house. My husband really likes to learn outside, but because the dirty diaper was there he could not learn outside. The next day, on Erev Shabbos, Hashem brought a huge rainstorm and washed it all away. My husband was able to learn outside the next day. Thank You, Hashem for the rainstorm! - *A Reader*

In the Zechus of Tzedakah: I was missing a very important tzedakah booklet where I have recorded lots of different money transactions going into and out of my gmach/ and tzedakahs from many different people. I was missing this for seven weeks and yes, I turned over the house three times.

I finally thought to myself, "One minute, I always read in the Spring Hill Times that Hashem is the Kol Yochol. He could find it for me."

I was also mekabel that if I find it, I will publicize it in the Spring Hill Times and donate \$25.

The next second(!!!) I looked again where I checked before and I found it.

This was a real chizuck and Limmud that I got from you! Thank You, Hashem, and thank you Spring Hill Times.

-A Lakewood Reader, A. H.



HASHEM'S KINDNESS



Ein Od Milvado: Yesterday, I went to take a test for my license. Before the test I was told I have to bring a photo ID that has my name exactly as it's written on my license. I had a photo ID that had my married name and another one that had my maiden name, which I bought along just in case, together with my marriage license.

When I showed up, I saw that I left my ID with my married name at home, and I started to get a bit nervous.

But then I remembered a story that I heard on the Ki Tov Hashem news station, about a boy whose friend had the ticket for the Adirei Torah event, and he said "Ein Od Milvado" and he made it in. So I filled myself up with bitachon and simcha and I said, "I'm going to march right in, they have no power, Hashem is with me, Hashem is the Baal Rachamim."

I handed in my ID with my maiden name together with my marriage license, and he let it go no problem, even though they generally make a lot of issues with this! I felt so calm and relaxed, knowing that I can trust in Hashem!

-Mrs. Steinmetz from Chicago, IL



Hi. I have a story.

My toddler came down with a terrible stomach virus. He was throwing up, was weak and getting dehydrated.

I have a newborn at home and was worried that he would catch it. I had bitachon that he would not catch it and decided I would send in the story if he didn't get sick.

B"H he did not catch it!

-A Reader

LIVING WITH HASHEM

By Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

Editor's note: Many of these stories are from months ago



Simchas Hatorah

A 15-year-old boy from Cleveland, OH, had a siyum in yeshiva, and after the siyum, a bus came to pick the bochruim. They were singing and dancing, and the bus driver went around to make sure nobody had any alcohol on them. He didn't find any alcohol.

He said, "I don't understand. I don't usually find people your age without alcohol. How are you so happy and excited without alcohol? What's your trick?"



Hashem Sends Supper

A yeshiva bachur in yeshiva wasn't enjoying his supper and was hungry. He thought, "Hashem, you can get me supper."

Then the Shoel U'meishiv walked in, handed him \$10 and said, "Here's \$10. I want you to go get a good supper tonight." And just like that, he had a delicious supper!

Supper From Heaven

A mother was concerned because her little children ate up the supper



that she made, and she wasn't sure what she was going to serve her husband.

She said, "Hashem, You can get my husband supper."

Shortly afterwards, her father, who is a Rosh Yeshiva, called her and said, "There was a power outage in yeshiva, so we had to send the boys home early. There's so much delicious food left. Would you like them?"

She was able to give her husband delicious supper!



We May Be Lacking Tefillah B'simchah

When Rav Shneur Kotler, zt"l, was sick, the Mashgiach told the tzibbur: "It may be true that everyone is joined together and davening for his recovery, but we may still be lacking in tefillah b'simchah!"

ואשפך את - נפשי לפני ה' I Poured Out My Soul Before Hashem

A Bedtime Lullaby

The Mashgiach was once putting his grandson to sleep and was heard singing the niggun "קלי קלי למה עזבתני." Someone recorded this, and anyone who heard it realized how one could sing these same words with simchah, crying out, pleading, and gratitude, all harmoniously blended together, with a connection and closeness to Hashem.

Someone once came to the Mashgiach and told him that he was musically gifted and could make up any song on the spot. The Mashgiach told him, "Sing me a song with the words 'קלי קלי למה עזבתני'."

The book is available in your local Judaica store



A Faint Whiff Of Hashem's Unlimited Wisdom and Kindness



Hashem gave us the ability to pick up movement with our eyes. This is something so basic that we probably do not give it any thought and we do not perceive it as something additional to the regular eyesight that we discussed until now.

It is different than perceiving stationary objects. There is a different set of movement going on inside the eye when it picks up mobility. If we did not have this extra function,

it would drastically affect our lives.

There is so much enjoyment that we receive from our eyesight. If our eyes would only see stationary objects, we would only be able to perceive movement when it would touch our skin which is something that does not happen often. Like when a gust of wind blows across our face - but not too much else.

People have a special appreciation for movement. Let's take a simple example from nature. It's only because we can perceive movement that we are able to appreciate watching a bird soar in the sky, that we are able to watch leaves of a tree sway in the wind and we can watch a waterfall or a running stream. Thank You, Hashem, for giving us the ability to perceive movement!

The ability to follow objects that are in motion requires special movement inside our eye. Our lives would be drastically different if we did not have this function. Let's elaborate some more on this point. We would not have any sports. If you can't see a moving baseball, football or basketball - you can't play a game. You also can't hunt for food. But really it gets more basic than sports. If you wouldn't be able to pick up movement and you wouldn't be able to focus on moving objects - driving would be impossible. You can't drive if there is a possibility that there is someone else in the vicinity that you can't see. This applies to cars, boats, planes and bikes. If your children are roaming around in the park, you would not be able to find them.

Even regular human interaction would not be the same. When someone approaches you, you would not be able to see them until they stop moving. Likewise when they turn to leave, they would suddenly disappear. People would just be popping into your life and popping out of your life.

Perceiving movement is such a vital and important function.

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EVERYTHING CREATED REFLECTS HASHEM'S GLORY

Do You Know What They're Called?

By Tzvia Ehrlich-Klein

We know that a mother is a woman, that a father is a man, and that a baby can be either a boy or a girl.

Did you know that most animals also have specific, different names for the mother, father, and baby animal?

How many specific names of the following animals do you know?

1. Do you know what a female camel is called?

Do you know what a male camel is called?

Do you know what a baby camel is called?

2. Do you know what a female goat is called?

Do you know what a male goat is called?

Do you know what a baby goat is called?

3. Do you know what a female goose is called?

Do you know what a male goose is called?

Do you know what a baby goose is called?

4. Do you know what a female ox is called?

Do you know what a male ox is called?

Do you know what a baby ox is called?

5. Do you know what a female penguin is called?

Do you know what a male penguin is called?

Do you know what a baby penguin is called?

6. Do you know what a female hippopotamus is called?

Do you know what a male

hippopotamus is called?

Do you know what a baby hippopotamus is called?

7. Do you know what a female kangaroo is called?

Do you know what a male kangaroo is called?

Do you know what a baby kangaroo is called?

8. Do you know what a female lion is called?

Do you know what a male lion is called?

Do you know what a baby lion is called?

9. Do you know what a female whale is called?

Do you know what a male whale is called?

Do you know what a baby whale is called?

Answers:

1. A female camel is called a cow. A male camel is called a bull. A baby camel is called a calf, or a colt.

2. A female goat is called a nanny. A male goat is called a billy. A baby goat is called a kid.

3. A female goose is called a goose. A male goose is called a gander. A baby goose is called a gosling.

4. A female ox is called a cow. A male ox is called an ox, or a bullock. A baby ox is called a calf, or a stot.

5. A female penguin is called a hen. A male penguin is called a cock. A baby penguin is called a fledgling, or a chick.

6. A female hippopotamus is called a cow. A male hippopotamus is called a bull. A baby hippopotamus is called a calf.

7. A female kangaroo is called a doe. A male kangaroo is called a buck. A baby kangaroo is called a joey.

8. A female lion is called a lioness. A male lion is called a lion. A baby lion is called a cub, or a whelp.

9. A female whale is called a cow. A male whale is called a bull. A baby whale is called a calf.

A LIFE WITH BITACHON HOTLINE

By Rabbi Golombeck

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משחית כלל ישראל from the
Since when does the symbol of evil
and death become a זכות?

Part II

And the same in the בית-המ-
blood was always used on the
מזבח to be מכפר. The truth is that
our evil side is our best זכות since
we overcome it and we do תשובה.
Like אדמוני דוד had to be an
who did only good despite his evil na-
ture. A מלאך didn't receive the תורה
because the הקב"ה said יש כלום שנאה
בכם? No. יצה"ר - No תורה - and no
credit for being pure without sin.

Part III

On יום כיפור when we wear
a white kittel and fast like מלאכים
we also read פרשת עריות. Why? To
show our true greatness since we
need to be warned against such
lowlife עריות, - then it shows what
we are capable of doing, and our
lofty יום כיפור fasting mode is much
more appreciated.

Part IV

עולה תמי- was an יצחק אבינו
– yet before he gave the ברכות,
he ate tasty dishes אשר הוא מטעמים-
אהב. The fact that he was a normal
human makes his high מדרגה truly

high – he has to overcome and rise
despite his גשמיותדיק side.

should really be total
הקב"ה and closeness to תורה
Yet, you are not שבת שמירת שבת
without tasty dishes and שבת עונג.

Part V

The עיקר is to show that
you are a normal human and yet
you rise and live a life of רוחניות.
RSRH ז"ל says that the reason why
the family background of משה is
mentioned – to show that he was
a normal human and anybody can
become great like משה. And even
in one day a nobody can become a
גדול.

ויאמר ה' אל משה- אמר אל- אהרן נטה
את- מטרך

משה to speaks the הקב"ה
and משה hears from אהרן.

קה"ק is אהרן הכהן
כלל ישראל in שבט the greatest
כהנים. Yet, only משה is זוכה that
the הקב"ה should speak directly to
him. We know nothing about nei-
ther משה or אהרן and their great-
ness is way beyond us. Yet, notice
how משה דוקא who had so, so many
problems in his hesitancy to do his
שליחות is, זוכה, and not אהרן.

Part II

In last week's Parsha,
Moshe told Hakadosh Baruch Hu
four different times that he'd rather
not do the שליחות for all kinds of
reasons. And in this פרשה again we
have משה saying that since the בני-
didn't listen to him how will פרעה
listen to him? And he explains ואני
על- שפתים. "I'm simply not ca-
pable." This episode is repeated
twice, and it appears like a חזרה!
If the תורה repeats something (es-
pecially a story) then it's extremely

important for us to hear it!

Part III

Again and again – the
greatest human that ever crossed
the planet earth is told by the הקב"ה
to do something and says, "He can't!"
He will soon become the greatest
success in the history of mankind
and he will raise the level of אמו-
for all of us forever after
since he caused מצרים, and
look how he appears so incapa-
ble and so ח"ו lacking in אמונה
and trust in the הקב"ה!

Part IV

The holy Torah wants us to
keep hearing again and again about
what appears in our small שכל as a
חסרון and אמונה ובטחון ח"ו in חסרון
in self esteem, davka this person
remains our greatest example to
follow and we are מחוייב to believe
in his greatness as a basis in our
whole yiddishkeit.

Part V

We can suggest בס"ד that
the תורה wants us to see how much
frustrating and unending difficul-
ties a person can have in ה' עבודת.
And the lesson for all those ner-
vous types and depressive, and
hopeless cases in תורה or קדושה
or facing של"ב or כעס or ב"א לחברו
etc. – if you are having extreme difficul-
ties, maybe you are the future משה
of our רבינו!!

Part VI

Instead of יאוש and add-
ing more proof to the common
malady of building a case against
yourself – maybe דוקא you are
destined for greatness!?

Sparks of Bitachon

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PARSHA SPARKS

In Parshas VaEira, HaKadosh Boruch Hu turned all the water of Mitzrayim into blood. Chazal tell us that if a Yid and a Mitzri drank out of the same cup using straws, the Mitzri got yucky disgusting blood and the Yid enjoyed refreshing, clear water.

Harav Avigdor Miller, zt"l, teaches us that Hashem's primary purpose in bringing the Makkos was for Klal Yisroel to witness and learn from them. The lesson of Makas Dam/Blood was to teach us that nothing in this world has intrinsic existence – not blood or water - only Hashem. If a person is thirsty and drinks a cup of delicious cold water and then feels refreshed, is it the water that helps? No, Hashem decrees whether or not the water will quench a person's thirst. Food works the same way. Two people can eat the same food and one will be satiated and the other will suffer a serious allergic reaction. If a person needs a particular medicine, he has to internalize that the medicine is neither helpful nor harmful - Hashem decides the outcome. Why? Hashem is teaching us that food or water or medicine does not have intrinsic power to affect anyone – everyone's reaction is a decree of Hashem, our loving caring Father.

STORIES WITH A SPARK

HaRav Yehudah Mandel, shlita shares: "Many years ago I suffered from terrible backaches. I was referred to a big specialist who had apparently helped hundreds of people. He used a method of soaking a cloth in cold water and rubbing it in a specific way on the patient's back. Unfortunately, it did not help me. Then I went to a different specialist who had healed many patients, but he used a treatment with warm water. It didn't help me either. I finally understood what Hashem was trying to teach me - it's not the hot water or the cold water that helps; it's only the Ribono Shel Olam. I decided to stop getting involved in what method to use and leave it up to Hashem. With that I had a tremendous refuah!"

A prominent Rosh Yeshiva, whose shiurim in Bitachon are world renowned, shared the most incredible personal story.

"A couple of years ago, I was about to undergo a round of treatments for the machla lo aleinu. The doctor warned me of the chemotherapy's serious side effects - I would lose my voice, lose my hair, feel very weak and sick and so on, r"l. I told him I didn't believe I would be affected at all – the chemicals would only destroy the disease and nothing else. Boruch Hashem, I went through the chemo and I did not lose one hair, I did not feel weak, and I did not miss one day of giving shiur!"

The message is loud and clear. Do not attribute power to any medication. We must bear in mind that all power, without exception, belongs only to the Ribono Shel Olam, Who takes care of each and every individual on this planet.

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Q&A

Going On Summer Vacation

Q *I want to go away for the summer like most of my friends. However, I do not have an extra penny to spend. I am looking at my friends who have plenty of money and could do whatever they want. What is the emunah and bitachon perspective about this?*

A The reason you feel stuck is because you think that money gets people places. Because you don't have money, therefore you can't go where you want to go.

Understand that owning money does not help people get anything more than what is coming to them. If it is good for a person to have a certain thing, even if he does not own a penny, Hashem will make sure he gets it. If it's not good for him to have it, even if he owns all the money in the world, Hashem will prevent him from getting it.

I know of people who planned extravagant vacations, but when it came time to go, unexpected things came up which forced them to cancel their plans.

The same happens in reverse. I know of penniless families who didn't dream of going on vacation, and unexpectedly, someone stepped forward and sponsored a vacation for them.

We come to realize that having material possessions or good times has nothing to do with how much money a person owns. Hakadosh Baruch Hu is the One who sees to it that each person should get what is best for him.

When you adopt this mindset, you will learn to enjoy wherever you are, because you know that מה' מצעדני גבר כונונו *From Hashem, a man's footsteps are planned [Tehillim 37, 23];* wherever you find yourself is exactly where Hashem planned for you to be.

Secretary in Medical Center

Q *I am a secretary in 'Refuah Medical Center'. My job is to take calls from patients, listen to their medical conditions and then direct them to appropriate care.*

Day-in and day-out, I listen to reports of illness and suffering, and my heart aches when hearing how so many people are suffering. How can I deal with this in a healthy way?

A You must realize that for every person who tells you about a medical condition he has, there are ten thousand people who don't have that illness!

In fact, says Harav Avigdor Miller Zatzal, when Hashem makes an individual sick, in addition to Hashem's specific reasons for making him unwell, one of the purposes is to remind all of the healthy people not to take their good health for granted!

When a person hears about someone who is sick, certainly his first reaction must be to feel their pain and to daven for their full recovery. However, subsequently, he is expected to focus on how fortunate he is that he is spared from that form of illness!

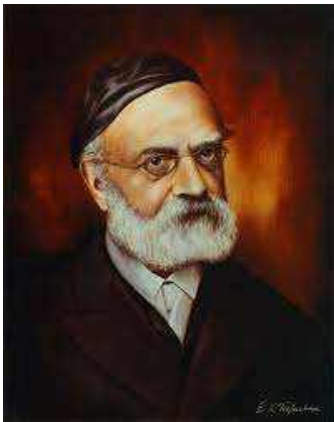
He must be full of gratitude to Hashem Yisborach for keeping him healthy, and for the joy that comes along with good health. He should realize, it's not only him who Hashem made healthy, Hashem made a world full of people, the vast majority of whom are enjoying a life of good health!

If you want your joy to be complete, and you do not want that person to suffer either, turn to Hashem and say, "In the z'chus that this person's sickness caused me to feel how much You love me and are caring for me, please give him a refuah shleima and restore him to perfect health as well."

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ויאמר אליו- משה כצאתי- את העיר -אפרש את -כפי אל ה' הקלות -יחדלון והברד- לא יהיה עוד- למען תדע- כי לה' הארץ (פ"ט פ' כ"ט)

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במכות הראשונות פרעה קרא לחרטומי מצרים להראות את כחם בעשיית מופתים. אבל ההבנה של החרטומים את אזלת ידם שאמרו " אצבע אלוקים היא " נאמרה אחרי שניסו החרטומים להוציא את הכנים ולא יכלו

מעיר רבנו שלא רק תחלת המכות העידו על רצון ה' , אלא עיקר האות הבולט ביותר לכח ה' הכל יכול הוא דווקא הפסקת המכה , הגילוי הגדול ביותר של הבריאה והיצירה לא הייתה מספיקה ללמד את אומות העולם על כוחו של בורא העולם. שהרי עד עצם היום הזה חוגג את תחילת השבוע ביום ראשון , מכיון שלטענתם הכח הגדול הטבעי החל ביום ראשון. אבל היהודי מקדש דווקא את היום השביעי " באומרו "ויכולו -השמים והארץ" דווקא הפסקת הבריאה ויום המנוחה הם העדים הגדולים על בריאת שמים והארץ בידי ה' יתברך , שהרי אם כוחות טבעיים שהחלו ביום ראשון לבנות את העולם הם בוראי העולם יתכבדו יסבירו לנו אומות העולם החוגגים את יום ראשון , מה גרם לאותו " כח טבעי " לחדול ממעשיו ביום השביעי. ועד עצם היום הזה הופסקה כל בריאתם של יצורים חדשים ואין חדש תחת השמש , ולכן הלכו אותם כוחות ראשונים ? ומשום כך ייסד ה' את השבת שבה נפסקה הבריאה כעדות נצח לבריאת העולם ולא את תחילת הבריאה. סיום הבריאה, ההשבתה היא זו שמעידה על מציאות הבורא.

חרטומי מצרים יכלו גם לעשות מופתים. אבל להפסיק את המכות ולחדול מן הסערה אמר משה לפרעה " אפרש כפ אל ה' " רק רצון ה' יוכל להפסיק את המכה " למען תדע- כי לה' הארץ.

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"כל- כלי יוצר-עליך -לא יצלח" (שעיה נ"ז)



**No One Has Ever Defeat-
ed Klal Yisrael
and No One will Ever De-
feat Klal Yisrael!**

BITACHON MIGHT



**Trusting in Hashem
Smashes Through Everything!**

By: Rabbi Chaim Tzvi Blau

Bitachon Power

The Quote - The Lesson - The Story

THE QUOTE: "In matters of medicine often the medicine the doctor prescribes not only doesn't cure the illness but makes it worse. Therefore, how can a person ever rely on his own efforts since he is not sure if they will be beneficial or harmful. The reliance is only on Hashem"

THE LESSON: What makes this so incredible and amazing is that so many times we are so confident and reliant on medicine and doctors and we forget Who is really pulling all the strings. The Baal Bitachon **remembers** that medicine is no guarantee and that it is not the doctor that he can rely on nor the medicine – only Hashem makes it all possible!

THE STORY 1 : There was a woman who was miraculously saved from Kibutz B'eri on Simchas Torah. She was completely not religious, and praying to G-D did not exist in her life. She was asked if she prayed during the time the terrorists were there.

She said "I thought to myself how could I pray and ask G-D for a salvation when everyone outside is being murdered?" (This hashkafa is obviously incorrect.)

A relative of hers convinced her (earlier on Simchas Torah) to recite the pasuk "HASHEM HU HAELOIKIM" 7 times. She said it, and had a few of her relatives in mind when she said it. She and each one of the relatives that she had in mind were miraculously saved.

THE STORY 2 : THERE WAS A THREE-YEAR-OLD CHILD who refused to talk. The parents took her to the best therapists and specialists, but to no avail. The child was not talking. One day, the mother heard a class about tefilla, and she realized that she had been so busy running around to see

doctors that she had never properly turned to the real One Who could help her in her situation. That day, after dropping her child off at the play-group, she went to daven and she begged Hashem that He open the mouth of her child. Hashem heard her cries.

That very day the mother received an ecstatic phone call from the teacher "Your daughter! She opened her mouth and said a few words today for the very first time!"

THE STORY 3 : RAV LEVINSTEIN SHLIT"A TOLD OVER A STORY: Recently, there was a soldier who was seriously injured.

His friend was given a half a day break from the army and he decided that during his off time he would go and visit his friend. He was sedated and had not woken up since he was admitted to the hospital.

The friend came to visit and the family members who were there left.

The friend saw his friend in such a terrible state and he decided he wanted to daven shacharis next to his bed. He put on tefillin and he davened. He said he never davened such a shacharis in his entire life. He cried his eyes out! He begged Hashem to give his friend a refua she-laima! He finished davening and left the hospital. A little later, he received an exciting call from the mother of the injured soldier saying that right after he left, another family member came to visit and there was some movement by the injured soldier. They called the doctor. One thing lead to the next, and they decide to lower the medicine so he could wake up and he miraculously just woke up for the first time!

The power of tefilla with tears!



Living With Appreciation

R' Daniel Shasha

Water turning into blood, frogs hopping everywhere, animals dying in the streets, darkness too thick to move: the ten plagues were truly a remarkable manifestation of Hashem's power. Yet we know that these plagues served a deeper purpose than an impressive display. What is the purpose of these miracles, and what message can we learn from them for all generations?

Moshe told Pharaoh (7:17), "So says Hashem, with this shall you know that I am Hashem...". We see from here that the purpose of the ten plagues was to demonstrate that Hashem is in control, and everything deemed to be 'nature' can be overturned in a split second.

Elaborating on this idea, the Ramban (13:16) teaches us that there are three fundamental themes we see in the ten plagues that we are supposed to apply to our own lives. The first message is that Hashem constantly renews the world, and everything happens at His bidding. Just as He normally decides that water will be water, He can easily decide that it will be blood. The second message is that Hashem is directly involved in every aspect of our lives. The final message is that He is All-Powerful.

The Ramban explains that when we appreciate the phenomenal miracles that occurred and absorb the powerful messages they are meant to teach us, we will realize that everything is a miracle, and there is no such thing as 'nature'. He teaches that this is a fundamental idea of Judaism and is what gives us a part in the Torah of Moshe! Chazal (Niddah 31a) teach that miracles happen constantly, it's just that those who experience them are not always aware. We refer to this idea three times a

day in Modim, "For Your miracles that are with us each day."

Why is it that appreciating the open miracles teaches us that everything is a miracle? Well, Hashem broke the bonds of 'nature' with the ten plagues because He is in control of nature in the first place. For example, He decided that the water the Egyptians drink will be turned into blood, but not the Jews' water. So even if a Jew and an Egyptian drank from the same cup with two straws, what the Egyptian drank was turned into blood, and what the Jew drank was a refreshing cup of water! The fact that Hashem turned the Egyptian's water into blood reveals to us that the very fact He wills it to be water is also miraculous!

In fact, our Rabbis teach that hidden miracles are even more miraculous than revealed ones. This is because open miracles are a one-time event, yet

hidden miracles happen constantly, helping keep us alive. The fact that we can breathe, our hearts pump, and we have food and water are all miracles, and even more miraculous than the open miracles we experience! (Meshech Hochmah, Bechukosai)

This helps us understand a teaching of Chazal, "The mir-

acle of livelihood is greater than that of Krias Yam Suf." This is a miracle we experience constantly and is essential to our survival, so therefore it is greater. In the words of Rav Avigdor Miller, "250 miracles happened at Krias Yam Suf, yet thousands of miracles happen in the production of our food!"

Let's take a look at water. It keeps us and millions of species alive. There are thousands of species of animals and plants, not to mention the over six billion people on the planet. Water is the life source of each species and plays a vital function. It is truly miraculous how water is formed. Water vapor ris-



Let Us Thank Hashem for...



Mangos

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Inspiring Quotes

We conclude each prayer with aleinu, to reinforce that the purpose of everything is to reach the level of Alai nu leshabe'ach laAdon hakol – it is incumbent upon us to praise the Master of Everything. (Nefesh Shimshon, Tefillah p.9)

One who shows gratitude to those who have benefited them, will receive more benefit from them. (Derush V'chidush, Rabbi Akiva Eiger 1)

Recounting Hashem's miracles forms a special closeness with Him and removes all the darkness that separates us from Him. (Shelah, Haggadah Shel Pesach, Kol hamarbeh)

One needs to contemplate deeply everything Hashem has done for them, from when one was born until the present day, and be grateful for those gifts. (Orcho Tzadikim, Shaar Hateshuvah)

es into the atmosphere and condenses into clouds. When these clouds become saturated, water is poured down to the world, helping keep us alive. Water has many other useful functions, from helping us take a shower, to washing our vegetables, from going swimming to washing our clothes. It was a one-time event that Hashem turned water into blood, yet we are always privileged to experience the miracle of water!

We now see how the messages of the ten plagues are ever so relevant to our day-to-day lives.

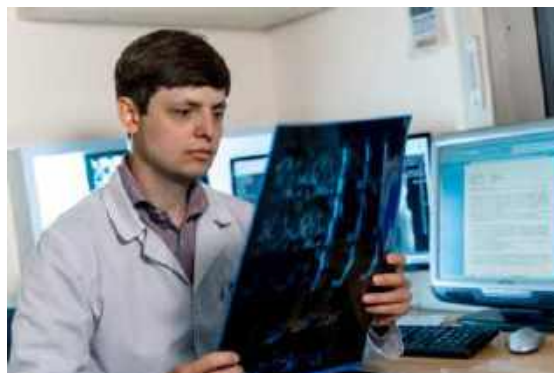
Rabbi Avigdor Miller had so much appreciation for

the gift of water and would fondly refer to it as the 'elixir of life'. One time, when he went to attend to a grandchild in the hospital, he went to get a drink of water. He recited a heartfelt berachah, then took a sip, relishing this great gift, and said to Hashem, 'I thank You'!

Someone once bought for him a two-dollar water bottle from a store that sold New York City tap water for tourists. For a long time, he kept this bottle by his seat in Shul, helping him appreciate this gift and reminding him that each glass of tap water has monetary value. (Adapted from Rabbi Avigdor Miller, His life and Revolution)

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By: Rabbi Eliezer M. Niehaus

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Asher Yatzar Does Wonders!

Last week we discussed how Hashem is “נורא תהלת עושה פלא – too awesome for praise, **doing** wonders.” It does not say “He did wonders” in past tense, which would refer to Krias Yam Suf, rather it is in present tense, which means that He is constantly performing wonders. Which wonders? No need to look further than your own body! A person who says Asher Yatzar properly, word by word, with emotion and true feelings of gratitude, shows that he is well aware of the fact that Hashem is performing wonders for him. As a result, he will see wonders in his own life. Here is such a story, brought in *sefer Barchi Nafshi* (Vayishlach, page 455).

A certain Talmid Chochom related that thirteen years earlier he had started having issues with his digestive system. Anyone who experienced such problems knows how painful this can be. After undergoing extensive medical tests, he was diagnosed with Colitis. Never heard of it? Now is a good time to thank Hashem for that! It means inflammation of the colon, which makes it more urgent and painful to go to the bathroom. One can go crazy from the difficult and painful symptoms which can include internal bleeding. The doctor told him that there is no natural cure for the type that he has and he must learn how to live with it for the rest of his life. Since this person knew that doctors are not the ones who determine our fate, he decided to take upon himself to strengthen the way he says the beracha of Asher Yatzar. Besides for taking natural actions to try to minimize the intensity of the symptoms he began to say Asher Yatzar with kavanah. Even if sometimes he didn't say it as well as he would have liked, he kept going. Then the unbelievable occurred, as the symptoms that had made life so difficult for so long completely disappeared. Strangely, when he went for tests, they saw that the sickness was still in his body, even though there were no symptoms. That being the case, B"H his life went back to normal.

Thirteen years later, the symptoms of Colitis came back, with its intense pains and difficulties. This time he went to one of the top gastroenterologists in Eretz Yisroel. The doctor performed several tests and concluded that this is indeed incurable Colitis and any medicines can only help lessen the pain to a certain extent. The Talmid Chochom decided once again not to be disturbed by this grim prognosis and he took upon himself to say Asher Yatzar and the beracha of Refainu with more kavana. Wonders of wonders – the symptoms disappeared again. This time, when he went for more tests a while later, the doctor was shocked. Not only were the symptoms gone – his intestines looked completely normal! The doctor thought that there must be a mistake so he did a biopsy, and they removed a tiny piece of the intestine and inspected it in a laboratory. This test also showed the power of Asher Yatzar – the condition had disappeared!

If a person would realize what a good cure this beracha is, they would take it more seriously. Hashem performs wonders constantly in our bodies, and the more we realize that, the more we will merit that these hidden wonders should continue, without the need to deal with painful symptoms and difficult treatments which many times do not even work.

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Did you know, as Rav Yehuda Mandel always says, that our job in this world is to say, "Hashem, You made the most beautiful world, and I am Your creation and I'm happy with the way You made me! If You made me a shlemazel, I'm happy to be a shlemazel, if You made me forgetful, I'm happy to be forgetful, if You made me have nervous twitches, I'm happy." Whatever it might be: you're shy, you're not a people person...

Some people are not put together, some people are not neat, some people can't get their act together, and if that's your personality, say, "Beautiful! I'm so happy!" That's your tafkaid in this world, that's why Hashem created you, to be able to say, "I'm happy with the way Hashem made me."

Now of course, if you have exercises to do to work on making yourself a better, healthier person, to bring you more menuchas hanefesh and a better connection to Hashem, then kol hakavod- go for it. But whatever personality you are born with, and you have now, that's your nature, and you were put in this world to say Hashem You made me this way, it's beautiful!

Just to end off with a story, the Chofetz Chaim says over that there were people that were lo yutzlach, they couldn't find a job, couldn't get their act together and they would just go around collecting tzeda-kah from door to door. People would go to the Chofetz Chaim and say, "It's a chutzpa, let them go get a job, it's their problem if they don't have money." The Chofetz Chaim said, "It's exactly the opposite, you think it's because they're lo yutzlachs that they don't have money. Actually, Hashem didn't want them to have money, and because of that Hashem made them with this kind of personality. Hashem didn't want them to have money. He wanted them to go around collecting. So therefore, you have a chiyuv to go help these people, because that's how Hashem made them."

For some people that could be their tafkaid, so don't look down at them, and if you're similar, don't look down at yourself either!

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By: R' Baruch Rosenstock

and to do what works for them because מה יאמרו הבריות - what will people say. The passuk here teaches us even though people might find it funny and not understand where you're coming from, Hashem does. Hashem understands, He knows your background, he knows your whole story and what you're all about. Hashem knows why you're doing what you're doing, after all Hashem created you - היצר - יחד - לבם -

You should be full of pride, you have the biggest supporter that you could dream of, you have Hashem! The Madreigas Ha'adam writes that when you do what works for you, even though at first you feel people look at you interestingly, in the end they'll come to respect you סוף הכבוד לבוא -

היוצר - יחד - לבם - המבין The pasuk in Tehillim says Hashem fashioned their hearts together and understands all their ways (תהלים לג טו).

Maybe this passuk could be giving us a message of chizzuk. People can be afraid to be themselves

LOVE
myself

The Chinuch Chaburah

R' Tzvi Moshe Schultz

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Brisk

- Brisk is a city in Belarus. The non-Jewish name is Brest-Litovsk, and the Jews call it Brisk. Rav Yosef Dov Soloveitchik, known as the Beis Halevi, was the Rav of Brisk from 1877-1892. His son, Rav Chaim Soloveitchik, known as Rav Chaim Brisker, was the Rav of Brisk from 1892-1918. His son, Rav Yitzchok Zev Soloveitchik, known as The Brisker Rav, was the Rav of Brisk from 1918-1940.

- The Soloveitchik family traditionally educated their own children. The Brisker Rav used to learn with his own sons. Eventually, the yeshivos in Europe started sending some of their top talmidim to spend time participating in this shiur and learning from the Brisker Rav.

During the Holocaust, the Brisker Rav fled to Yerushalayim. There, he continued learning with his sons, and top yeshiva students came to learn with them. It was very informal and was never an official yeshiva.

After the Brisker Rav passed away, his son Rav Yosha Ber Soloveitchik turned it into an official yeshiva, Yeshivas Brisk. After he passed away, his son, Rav Avrohom Yehoshua Soloveitchik, took over the yeshiva. The Brisker Rav's sons Rav Meshulam Dovid and Rav Meir also started their own Brisk-type yeshivos. There are also other Brisk yeshivos led by various other members of the extended family.

- Brisk is a very elite yeshiva. It is only for talmidim who have already completed



three years of post high school learning. In order to get accepted, one must have a letter of recommendation from his previous Rosh Yeshiva. Once accepted, one must still learn in the yeshiva for at least a year before being allowed to attend the shiur.

- Rav Chaim Soloveitchik had a unique way of learning Torah, which is now known as "The Brisker Derech." This has become a popular method of learning in all of the yeshivos. Some of the unique points of his derech halimud:

1. He put a strong emphasis on analyzing the text. When learning, one should not ask פאר וואס (why) but וואס שטייט דא (what does it say here).

In other words, the goal isn't to philosophize and try to figure out why the Torah says something. Rather, we should just focus on figuring out what the Torah is teaching us. *To be Continued*

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Illuminating Words of Chazal

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

Until I was introduced to 'A Life with Bitachon,' I had a very different understanding of yiddishkeit and of Hashem. I was afraid of Hashem and was not aware of Hashem's love. Why did Hashem make this happen? How can this be called perfect?

I get this question all the time, and I can relate to this question because until I met my Rebbe, 11 years ago, I also was very, very scared of Hashem. I looked at Him like a policeman who would give me a ticket for everything I did wrong. I looked at Him like a dictator with a stick in his hand. That's how I viewed Hashem. I was very scared of Hashem. And whenever I did an aveira, I said, "Okay, now who knows what Hashem is going to do to me." I remember one Yom Kippur when I was in Mesivta, like 10th grade, I by mistake wore leather shoes. I felt, Hashem won't let me live out this year. That's the way my mind worked. I had a tremendous pachad from Hashem, a very unhealthy pachad. That was my whole relationship with Hashem. I had a lot of negative thoughts and feelings, and I actually became unhealthy from it. And when I didn't know if I should do A or B, I got angry at Hashem. *Why are you putting me in a situation where I don't know what to do? Here you want me to serve you and you're not telling me what to do? I became angry at Hashem. This is how I thought until I was 31.*

Now, it's very important to note that there's no one to blame. We should never blame any of our parents or Rebbeim. My father was a Talmid of R' Chatzkel, who was very into Din, Yira, Onesh and Gehenim, because for my father, that's what motivated him to become a bigger, better, happier, healthier person. That's what brought him to have more menuchas hanefesh and simchas hachaim. That's what brought him to have a healthier connection to Hashem. They viewed Onesh and Din as soap and shampoo. They viewed Yira, Onesh, Din, Gehenim as a lollipop and wow, how Hash-

em wanted to make our lives sweet. They had a healthy relationship with Hashem and because of that, that's why for them, it worked, but for me personally, and for many people who call me up and tell me they're in the same situation as I was, it's not working.

I have a very choshuve talmid who told me that when he was growing up, Shivisi Hashem l'negdi Tamid meant that Hashem was watching him like a policeman, a dictator, with a stick in his hand, ready to get him if he did one thing wrong. Now, after following a Life with Bitachon, he saw the Radak on that pasuk, it says exactly the opposite. It says, Hashem is there holding your hand, watching you, loving you, protecting you, caring for you, wants to help you every second. Zugt the Radak, when you do that, the next pasuk says, you'll be the happiest person in the world, you'll walk around, upbeat, freilich, and shiker from Simcha, and it will be mechaper for all your aveiros, give you a straight ticket to Olam Haba, it will save you from everything, any dinim in the next world, dinim in this world. Shivisi Hashem l'negdi Tamid is a pasuk all about how Hashem is holding your hand and loving you.

When it comes to Avodas Hashem Yisbarach, I spoke to talmidim, R' Yechiel Perr told me this, in the earlier generations, the way that motivated them was yirah, onesh, din, gehenim, that was the mahalach. But in the dor before Mashiach, which is the dor we're living in right now, what works for most people is positive, is through Ahavah. The Chozeh M'Lublin says, it says in Maseches Sotah is Yiras Hashem Yim'asu. He says it's a positive thing. Now, in the dor before Mashiach, the way to connect to Hashem is through Ahava, through positive and more positive.

There's a yid in Lakewood who went to R' Chaim Epstein to get a haskama that yidden should learn a certain sefer to give them Chizuk in a certain area that they need chizzuk in. R' Chaim Epstein went through the whole sefer. He said, "I love it,

but I can't give a haskamah, because there was one chapter about Gehenim, and it doesn't motivate people nowadays, it just turns people off, I can't give a haskama."

So you see that this is the way the Gedolim saw that today's generation would need something else. R' Moshe Feinstein writes in Igros Moshe and Darash Moshe, that the way to get people to love Hashem is not through din, yira, onesh, it's always through positive, positive, positive. In Igros Moshe he says the most effective way is through positive, positive, positive.

That's what the Chozeh m'Lublin says, that before Moshiach, there's going to be a different way to connect Hashem. Yiras Hachet Yim'asu. We're not going to be able to connect to Hashem through Yirah. It won't work. Only if you're positive.

That's the hakdamah. So why did Hashem make it that so many people would only find out many years later?

Why does Hashem make it that we find out later? The answer is, because the reason why I have such a passion for this mehalach, is through contrast. I saw how I used to view Hashem and how I view Hashem now. Before and after. Contrast is what makes a person have a passion, what makes a person appreciate what they have. Every day I wake up and I say to Hashem, thank You Hashem for my Rebbe.

Zugt R' Avigdor Miller, to appreciate what you have, you need contrast. You have to have a before and after. This is what R' Avigdor Miller brings from many ra'ayahs and sources and mekoros and medrashim, and that's actually the metzius, that human beings only appreciate something through contrast. R' Yehuda Mandel taught me how to serve and see Hashem in a different light. And because of that, I have a passion, I have a passion, a very strong passion, a very strong desire. But if R' Yehuda Mandel would have been my father, then there's no way I would have such a passion. There's no way that I would, make it my avodas hachaim, to make it my life's career to go around and be mefarsem how much Hashem loves me. The only reason why I have such a passion, and

the only reason why I'm doing what I'm doing, is only because of the contrast. A person can only appreciate this connection with Hashem, this relationship with Hashem, only through contrast. That's how human beings appreciate it. Up until now, until I met my Rebbe, before 31 years old, I had one tafkid and one tikkun, and now I have a different tafkid. And that's the tafkid of devoting the rest of my life to spread R' Yehuda Mandel's teaching, to show everyone how Yiddishkeit is sweet and positive and geshmack and fun and freilich. So, I believe that I am only passionate for what I do, and only appreciate what I do, and only love what I do, only because of the contrast.

And therefore, everyone has to know that use this opportunity if you found out later. If you found that later, now have a passion for it. Feel loved by Hashem that you found a rebbe that saved you, that taught you this mehalech. That's the answer why people find that later in their life. Now, every day I get so excited, I wake up, thank your Hashem for my Rebbe. Without him I would be in the dumps. I was sick for a year. I was sick for a year!



Every morning I wake up and say, "Thank you Hashem for finding R' Yehuda Mandel at 31. Thank You Hashem, because without R' Yehuda Mandel, I don't know where I'd be now," but at the same time, I say, "Thank You, Hashem that I only found him at 31. I would never have appreciated it to this extent, I would have never seen the contrast.

Therefore, the answer to your question is, any person who wants to know the emes will find it. And whichever stage you find it, that's perfect. That's how much Hashem wanted you to see the contrast, to appreciate what the difference is. Everyone has a different tafkid and a different tikkun. Until we find our Rebbe is one tafkid and tikkun, and after we find a Rebbe, a different tafkid and different tikkun.

Therefore, everything in yiddishkeit, everything about life is l'chatchila. That the way Hashem wanted it, and it's perfect, gevaldig and amazing.

The Bitachon Perspective

Q & A with Rabbi Zevy Golombeck

By R' Shalom Yedidya Klatzko

Q. I have a job in a certain institution. The time came that I feel I deserve a raise. However, I possess the מידת הבושה and I'm very uncomfortable asking them for a raise. Also, I know that the institution is extremely tight on money. Is it my hishtadlus to ask them for a raise anyway?



A. HaRav Yisroel Falk responded: As far as a person's hishtadlus to make money, he would not necessarily be expected to ask for a raise in such a situation.

However, over here there is another consideration. When someone feels that he deserves a raise and is not getting it, he could feel underappreciated. This feeling could decrease his motivation to invest in his work, and have a negative impact on him in general.

Therefore, in regards to doing hishtadlus to enhance the quality of your work and your sipuk, it would be proper to overcome your hesitations and ask for a raise.

Q. I am renting a house. Whenever something needs to be fixed, I ask my landlord to take care of it. But he always tries to get out of paying and he claims that it's not his responsibility.

My friends tell me, 'If you want to get anything from your landlord, you have to keep nudging him until he gives you what you want'. However, doing so robs me from my menuchas hanefesh. What is emunah and bitachon perspective about this?



A. We live in a society that gives us the message that in order to succeed, you must fight for your rights.

We have to know; this message is coming from the goyim.

The Gemara teaches us how to be truly successful when faced with the option of machlokes: give in.

If you will be mevater for the sake of shalom and pay from your own pocket for things which need to be fixed, says the Chofetz Chaim, not only will Hashem reimburse you for all the money you laid out, rather you will even get paid back double.

It comes out, when you lay out money for the sake of shalom, besides for doing a tremendous mitzva, you are investing your money in a business deal which gives one-hundred percent profit!

Therefore, instead of following the futile approach of the outside world which robs your simchas hachayim and decreases your quality of life, take the advice of your true friends, Chazal, who are truly interested in helping you; financially and emotionally, in this world and in Olam Habah.



Mitzvah Corner

By: R' Avi Kolko

Every day Hashem gives us so many opportunities to do mitzvot. And every day we do those mitzvot - because He told us to!

Some people look around and think they live in a normal place. However, we know that the world we live in is really upside down. Because in “normal” places, worthless items are freely available but valuable things are rare. In our upside world it’s the opposite: Worthless things (e.g. hundred-dollar bills, Cadillacs, and houses with pools) are hard to get, but valuable things are wherever we turn. The tens of millions of Yidden who are no longer with us wish they can join us down here, but only we are fortunate enough to still live in this crazy world - where mitzvot are freely available all over the place!



And not only are they valuable and good, they are also geshmak! What can be more pleasurable and enjoyable than getting up early Shabbos morning, taking out a mug (*from the milchige cabinet – mitzvah of basar v'chalav*), making a coffee (*using a kli sheni*), doing the parsha (*limud torah, shnayim mikrah*), walking to shul in the cold (*even though your car is right outside your house*), putting in a good davening (*tefilah with the associated inyanim of dveikus, ahavas Hashem and yiras Hashem, as well as kriyas shema, zechiras yetzias mitzrayim, and v'nikdashti b'soch bnei yisroel when saying kedusha*), coming home to a beautifully set Shabbos table (*kavod shabbos*), making kiddush (*kiddush*), washing (*netilas yadayim*), two challos (*lechem mishna*), gefilte fish (*avoiding borer*), salad (*with cucumber pieces that are larger than usual – no tochein*), singing zemiros (*thank you Hashem!*), the kids reading their parsha sheets (*chinuch.. and what nachas!*), you saying a nice vort (*v'shinantem l'vonecha*), cholent (*chamin b'shabbos*), reading the Spring Hill Times (*simcha, avoiding lashon hora*), and of course another portion of cholent (*oneg shabbos*), topping it off with bentching (*birchas hamazon*), and then, after an exhilarating six-hour mi \square vah-marathon that started when you woke up, a nap on the couch (*v'ha'sheinah meshubachas*). Is there anything in the entire world more geshmak than that???

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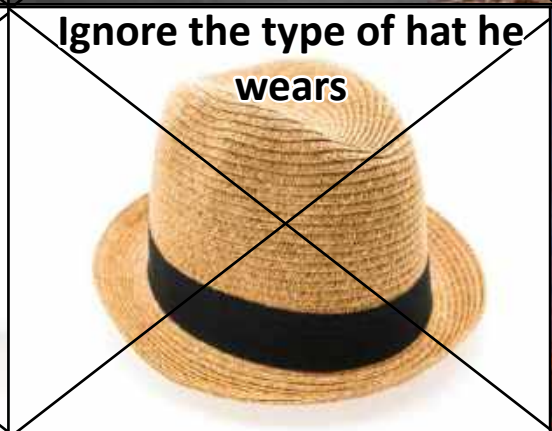
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Ignore the leader he follows



Ignore the type of hat he
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Ignore the nusach he uses
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Don't Accuse!
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ANOTHER YID:

**Remember that he is
part of your family!**



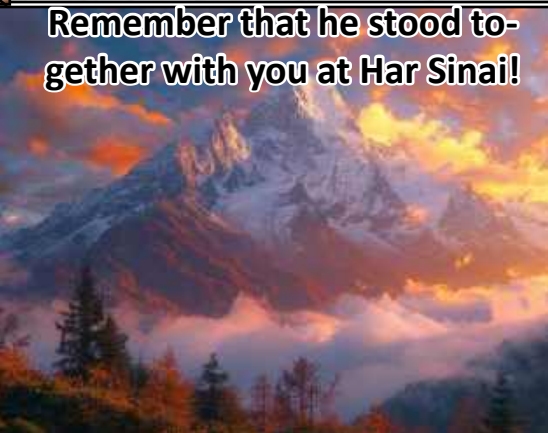
**Remember that he is
your other half!**



**Remember that Hashem cre-
ated the world just for him!**



**Remember that he stood to-
gether with you at Har Sinai!**



**Remember that Hashem
loves him to no end!**



Give him a smile!



**See his chelek Elokei
m'mal his neshama!**



**Hold his hand and help
him through life!**



**Accept him and love him
to pieces!**



Chizuk Corner

Rabbi Y. Y. Friedman

We are standing now in the awesome time known "Shovavim." This is a time when we can come extra close to Hashem, our Beloved Father.

Shovavim is a time that we can purify ourselves and become uplifted from the tuma of Mitzrayim that distances us from Hashem r"l.

What an unbelievable opportunity we have before us during these holy weeks.

Our year is packed with opportunities for our spiritual growth and attain great spiritual heights. By each Yom tov or eis ratzon one can acquire many different wonderful attributes.

For example; on Chanukah through the Menora we have the ability to tap into the "or haganuz." At the same time on Chanukah we also become strengthened in Emuna, bitachon and in praising Hashem consistently.

Chazal tell us that where a Baal Teshuva stands even a total righteous Tzaddik cannot stand. That's because the power of teshuva is to bring out the love that's buried in our hearts.

Now I would like to say the following. Many people, (especially our readers of the Spring Hill times) spend lots of their time thinking about all the chessed that Hashem does for them. Many Yidden spend lots of time thanking Hashem for all the goodness that He bestows upon us.

This is the biggest Teshuva. I am referring to the highest level of Teshuva better known as "teshuva m'ahava."

Let me bring a powerful story that will bring out what we are trying to convey here.

One wintry morning two of Rav Saadia Gaon's talmidim found their Rebbe crying, davening and doing Teshuva. The students were taken aback, and they asked their Rebbe for an explanation.

Rav Sa'adia said as follows. "One night I landed in a small inn run by an old yid. He was a very kind but simple man. He treated me nicely, we spoke for a while and after a Short while I went to sleep.

Early the next morning I bade him my farewell and I was on my way.

An hour later one of my pupils came to the inn to see if I was there. He asked the innkeeper if he saw Rav Saadia Gaon. The innkeeper was bewildered, because he didn't know that I was Rav Sa'adia.

When the student described me the innkeeper let out a cry, "Oy I didn't treat him with the due respect."

The innkeeper hitched his fastest horse and he chased after me. When he finally caught up, he jumped from his wagon and he cried out, "Rebbe Rebbe I am so sorry, I didn't know it was you. Please forgive me."

I responded to him that he did treat me very nicely, "Why are you so disturbed? You have nothing to apologize for."

"No no Rebbe," he replied. "If I would have known who you are I would have served you much much better."

Rav Sa'adia Gaon concluded, "Suddenly I realized that this man is teaching me a valuable lesson in the service of Hashem."

Had I known Hashem yesterday the way I know him today, I definitely would have served him better yesterday, and that's why I am doing Teshuva.

Based on this story we can say as follows. When we walk around, especially during these days of Shovavim and we gain a greater awareness of the chessed and rachamim of Hashem, this gives us a greater appreciation of Hashem.

This includes on a national level for all the nissim and and chassadim that Hashem is constantly doing with His nation as we are hearing all the time.

On a personal level, we keep getting more chessed in ruchniyus and gashmiyus as we are the recipient of Hashem's unlimited kindness.

This should help us do a greater teshuva like Rav Sa'adia Gaon in the story, which will bring us closer and closer to Hashem. That's because a greater Teshuva brings a greater closeness as we explained.

We hope that this Shovavim we should find ourselves so close to Hashem, that we will find ourselves in the Bais Hamikdash where we will experience Hashem's open kindness and closeness, with the return of the Shechina. Because when we return to Hashem, Hashem will for sure return to us.

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Hashem Loves You

“All of my trees are uprooted! And it is clearly your fault,” thundered Avi (name changed) to his land developer, Nosson (name changed), at the Beis Din of HaGaon Rav Gavriel Finkel ZT”L the Rav and Posek of the Alumni Beis Medrash of Beis Medrash Govoha.

It was post Hurricane Sandy and the racing winds knocked down thousands of trees across New Jersey. All of Avi’s beautiful green trees became lifeless piles of wood laying face up on the ground. Yet, a whole bunch of Avi’s neighbors, whose trees were not so green and well maintained, did not lose their trees. Surprisingly, their trees were thriving and firmly rooted, in sharp contrast to Avi and many others who lost all of their trees.

“It must be the negligence of my land developer who didn’t plant the trees and cultivate them properly,” said Avi to HaGaon Rav Finkel. “Why else are my trees any worse off than these neighbors whose trees survived the hurricane?”

Rav Finkel responded: “I would like to find out which neighbors spent hundreds of dollars investing in advanced irrigation systems to water their trees and which neighbors didn’t. Please make a clear list with this information so I can investigate this case properly.”

Shockingly, it came out that all of those who spent their hard-earned money on these underground sprinkler irrigation systems, **LOST THEIR TREES** during Hurricane Sandy, while the others who didn’t spend this money, **KEPT THEIR TREES**.

Rav Finkel explained, “Those trees who had their water available to them at all times, because their owners installed advanced underground sprinkler systems, never needed to spread their roots to look for water and nutrition. Therefore, these trees never developed deep and firm roots, and they fell to the strong

winds of Sandy. In sharp contrast are the trees whose owners didn’t install these irrigation systems – their roots needed to spread out more and more deeply into the ground in order to locate water and nutrients for survival. These deep roots proved stronger than the mightiest of hurricane winds.”

This true story demonstrates that if things go hard for us, we are lucky in the long run, as we are building deep roots and firm footing, mightier than the strongest Hurricane winds of life. The Emunah, Tefilah, and new skills that we develop during challenges are valuable and precious - providing us with a deeply rooted connection with Hashem.

A follower of the Hashem Loves You hotline shared that she was receiving major Bizyonos from someone in her life and deep down she felt completely shattered and broken. She thought that no one could possibly understand her deep pain and this was a very lonely feeling. And then Hashem showed her the Sefer **Hashem Loves You** in her school library, which describes in vivid

detail how Bizyonos are actually the greatest gift and are the biggest sign that Hashem loves you, and she felt like she received a gigantic hug from Hashem! She ordered a bunch of copies and gave them out to her friends so that they could also feel how much Hashem loves them. Spreading Hashem’s love made her feel so good, like a new person! She now shares the *Bitachon Hotline*, the *Hashem Loves You Hotline* and **The Spring Hill Times** with EVERYONE and has such happiness in her life more than she ever would have imagined!

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Yeshivishe Stories

The Chinuch Chaburah



The Netziv was the Rosh Yeshiva in Volozhin. Once, he was walking through the beis medrash of Volozhin at night. There was a new student there, who was young, and somewhat intimidated by all of the great talmidei chachomim in Volozhin. He had a kushya but was afraid to discuss it with anybody. Then, that night, the Netziv happened to pass right by his shtender. As the Netziv passed by, the bochur summoned up the courage to say: "Rebbe, I have a kushya on a Rashbam."

"Which Rashbam, my son?" asked the Netziv. He showed it to him. "That Rashbam? Do you know how many sleepless nights I spend trying to figure out that Rashbam? I davened at the kever of Rav Chaim of Volozhin that I should be able to understand this Rashbam! It's very good that you don't understand this Rashbam."

The Netziv



The Netziv was very careful never to eat breakfast before his chickens were fed first. Once, he came home from shul after davening on Rosh Hashana. It was already late, and presumably everyone was very hungry. However, the Netziv said they couldn't eat until the chickens were fed first. His wife had already fed them once early in the morning, but he insisted they be fed again. Unfortunately, they couldn't find the key to the chicken coop. The Netziv insisted that they find a goy to break the lock, and then feed the chickens. Only then could they start to eat.

Think about this

A. Why did the Netziv say that it's good that you don't understand this Rashbam?

B. What do we learn from this story about the extent of ameilus batorah?

A. Why do you think the Torah says you have to feed your animals before you eat yourself?

B. Is there any possible lesson we could learn from this story about how we should behave on Rosh Hashanah?

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#1906:

This story has been called in by Mrs. Holstein. She has a son who's very musical. He wanted a specific type of keyboard, which had a starting price of \$1,500. She told her son, "Moishe, right now, it's not a good time for me to get it for you. But if you want, you could go straight to Hakadosh Baruch Hu, straight to the Rebono Shel Olam, and say, 'Hakadosh Baruch Hu, You're the Kol Yachol, You could do everything and anything,' and leave it up to Hashem."

Moishe started being mechazek with bitachon that Hashem could do everything and anything. After a short time passed, and he didn't get it, he went to his mother and said, "Mommy, I'm having bitachon, but, I'm not getting what I wanted." She said, "You know what it means? It means that Hashem wants more bitachon and more bitachon."

So that's exactly what Moishe did. He came over sometime later to his mother, "Mommy, having bitachon is still not working. What's the message and lesson that Hashem is trying to teach me?"

She responded, "You know what Hashem is saying? You need to have more and more bitachon!"

One day, Moshe's phone suddenly rang. It was his friend on the phone, and he said, "Can I ask you for a big favor?"

Moshe asked, "What is it?"

Moshe's friend said, "I have an event I was hired to play at. The one who used to help me out until now went back to yeshiva. I need somebody who plays well to help me out with this event. If you do that for me, I'll give you a brand-new keyboard. Exactly the one that you wanted."

With that, Moshe got the perfect, most amazing keyboard, exactly what he was looking for, without even paying one penny, with the best service, better than ever.



#1907:

This story has been called in by a very, very chashuva yungerman by the name of Chaim Leib Pam. He came out of night seder one night, very late at night. He tried starting his car to go back home, but the car would not start.

Chaim Leib had an extra pair of keys with him. He said, "Let me try the other pair," but to no avail. That pair of keys wasn't working either. He kept on trying this key and that key, but he saw he wasn't getting anywhere. So he called an expert, someone who was a maven in cars, to see how he could help him.

The expert told him, "I know exactly what the issue and problem is. I dealt with this in the past many times. What happened was that you bypassed the system. Now it doesn't read your set of keys anymore. The only way is to tow your car, and then reset your system. There's nothing else that we can do to help you. Sorry."

Chaim Leib was thinking to himself, "You heard what he just said? There's no other way that he could help me. And he says he knows what he's talking about. This issue is very common, and he had it in the past. Well, that's all going with Teva, that's all going with laws of nature. Now I'm going to go with Hakadosh Baruch Hu. I'm going to go with bitachon. Hashem is the Kol Yachol. Hashem can do everything and anything. I'm going to leave it up to Hakadosh Baruch Hu.

With that, he tried putting his keys in one more time. This time, the car started working with the best service, better than ever!

Zichru Toras Moshe

Rabbi Moshe Hirschberg



THE BEST CHANUKAH PARTY

Rav Baruch Shayish, a well-known *mechanech*, was the principal of an elementary school in Netanya. At his *shiva*, a prestigious *talmid chacham* communicated how all that he has is credited to the late *mechanech*. “If not for your father’s wisdom and tremendous love for each child, I would be in other places.”

He explained that when he was growing up, his father was a newly observant Jew, and his mother was yet to become one. One year, the yeshiva arranged a grand Chanukah party for the students and the parents. Before finishing the event, Rav Shayish called upon each child to express in public their fu-

ture wishes. While most children described their dream as wanting to be the next Vilna Gaon, or to know all of Shas, and so on, one of the children had a different type of dream:

“I want to be an expert motorcycle rider,” he told everyone. The other boys began to laugh, making this boy think that he was completely wrong for even opening his mouth.

However, not a second passed before Rav Shayish grabbed the microphone and addressed the audience. “Look at what a *tzaddik* this child is! Look how he says the truth and *only* the truth. While his friends have expressed very noble aspirations, it may well be that some of these aspirations are not really what the children want. Some of them may be hiding what they really want.”

Turning to the boy, Rav Shayish continued. “But here is a boy who has expressed his true aspiration. This is truly what he feels and wants. Here is a boy who is not embarrassed to say the truth, and a child who is not afraid to say the truth — and only the truth — will get very far,” concluded Rav Shayish as he patted the child on the back, walking him back to his seat.

“I was that boy,” said the *talmid chacham*. “Only your father’s wisdom and tremendous love for each of us gave him the inspiration to come up with such

a wonderful solution to that potentially embarrassing situation. And had he not thought of those encouraging words on the spot, I would find myself elsewhere. I was a hairbreadth away from discontinuing in school, and because of Rav Shayish’s understanding of who I am, it made me into who I am.”



ZAIDY TO THE RESCUE

Alone, fourteen-year-old Shraga went into the empty Slonimer shul in Bnei Brak, where he saw a 95-year-old Yid davening. Little did Shraga know that the Yid was **Reb Osher Arkovich**. After the Yid finished, he asked the young boy his name and why he isn’t in school.

“I haven’t had luck in any school system,” the boy replies, embarrassed. “I was expelled from eight schools already, and I’m now forlorn.”

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Growing up, Shraga had a hard time sitting still in class, and school after school would expel him. Exasperated, the boy's father would punish him harshly in the hope of correcting his son's behavior, but after the eighth school had expelled him, the father had sent him to Eretz Israel to stay by some distant cousin, because he could not deal with him any longer.

Reb Osher looked in the boy's eyes with pity and said, "You know, we say every day in *Ashrei*: 'Lehodia livnei ha'adam g'vurosav—Hashem wants to tell people about His strength.' The **Maggid of Lechovich** offered an additional interpretation to this *pasuk*: Hashem wants us to make our fellow brethren aware of the strengths that rests within themselves, as if to say, 'Teach every person his glory and holiness.'

"Hashem is perfect. And what that means is that He did not make a mistake when He created you. Your creation is testimony that the world is incomplete without *your* contribution! So, Shraga, whatever happens, never forget your own power." Reb Osher finished his uplifting words, and they parted ways.

Over the next few months, with the help of Reb Osher, Shraga tried a few more options of schools. But six months later, he was expelled from what he was sure was his *last* chance. Now, at fifteen years old, rejected from *ten* schools, and with no understanding father to

call, he felt alone, lost, and broken. He climbed a tall building in Yerushalayim and stepped onto the edge of the roof, ready to jump out of his agony.

Suddenly, he had a flashback to the conversation he had with the 95-year-old man, Reb Osher. He decided he had to make himself aware of all his strengths before he destroys his gifts. "That must be part of the equation," he thinks, "and I can't just 'jump' into it."

He climbed down from the building and started reflecting on where he was and where h

was going in life. He started getting his life together, determined to utilize whatever gifts he was given. After much resolution, he started seeing fruits from his labor. He continued with that fiery passion and grew to heights he did not realize he had. Several years passed, and he was *redt* a deserving shidduch. He got married, had children, and built a successful business — reaping the benefits of holding on to his inner pride.

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AFTER HOURS URGENT CARE

One late hot summer night, **R' Yisrael Grossberg** received a call from a group of former students, requesting access to their report cards. At the time, R' Yisrael was overseeing curfew in a boy's camp, but throughout the year, he taught high-school students facing grave challenges in *ruchniyus*.

"Report cards?" questioned R' Yisrael. "Why do you want your

report cards so late at night?"

"We are standing outside a doughnut shop," the student explained. "There's a sign here that says we can get free doughnuts if we received A's on our report cards. We're stuck here without any money, and we therefore need to show we got A's to cash in on the offer."

Though he didn't have access to their report cards, neither at camp nor so late, R' Yisrael was eager to help them and thought of a way to get them their mid-night snack.

"Put me on the phone with the clerk," he requested, which they did. A young woman got on the phone. "Throughout the year," R' Yisrael told her, "these students of mine put in all their effort to excel in their learning. They are all deserving of free doughnuts. If you grant my request, my students will make a *bracha* aloud, and you'll be able to answer *Amen*. That'll be the credit for them."

"A *bracha*?" the young woman asked.

Hearing her inquisitive tone, R' Yisrael thought to himself, "What did I just get myself into?" Until today, R' Yisrael conveys that he has no idea how he got the courage to add that last caveat — to add such a condition with a cashier whom he knew nothing of. But he was in for a surprise.

"I know what a *bracha* is," she told R' Yisrael.

"As a child, I learned in a day school, and we were taught all about making a *bracha*. I haven't heard one in a very long time, and I'll take great pleasure in listening and responding *Amen* to one."

Thus, the clerk agreed to give R' Yisrael's students all free doughnuts on the condition that they indeed made a *bracha* aloud for her to say *Amen* to.

The story doesn't stop there.

The next morning, R' Yisrael got a message from one of those students to tell him the impact of the previous night's events. "I'm changing my life around."

R' Yisrael was astonished. "What? What happened?" he asked.

The student explained that while uttering the *bracha*, the cashier was visibly inspired by it. She was eyeing them eagerly, barely holding back the *Amen* from rushing out of her mouth. For the first time, they felt that their mitzvos had value to them. In addition, they were moved by the fact that their Rebbe was so willing to advocate for them, even at such a late hour at night, for something as trivial as free doughnuts. That left an everlasting impact, and today, that student has built a happy family that is sitting and learning in Lakewood Yeshiva.

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TRAVELING THE PATH OF OUR GEDOLIM

Rav Shlomo Cohen, an einikel of Rav Shlomela Vilner and a chavrusa of the Chazon Ish (they were chavrusas in Vilna and then also in Bnei Brak), had the first printing press in Bnei Brak. All the Gedolim of that time used to print their seforim by him.

One day, someone opened a competing printing store- on the same street as R' Shlomo's press! The average person would be angry, upset or worried. The first day the new store opened, in walked Rav Shlomo Cohen. The owner turned pale, steeling himself to have mud slung at him or the like!

R' Shlomo warmly greeted him, then said, "You are new to this business, come let me teach you some tips and tricks to make things easier." The new printer was in shock, "How do you have the strength to act like this?"

Answered R' Shlomo: "I have Hakaras Hatov - I am grateful to you! I'm a regular yid who loves to learn. I need to do hishtadlus for parnasa, so I have my print shop. However, it often gets very busy because I have the only printing store and people sit in my shop for hours, leaving me with much less time to learn.

Parnasa you can't take away from me- whatever was Nigzar on Rosh Hashana I will get. However, clients you are welcome to take! This way I will have more time to learn peacefully! For that, I am grateful to you and I want to help you get your business off the ground."

Heard from Rav Eliyahu Diskin
Shlita



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NOTES OF A HEAVEN-SENT NUDNIK
(Parshas Vaiera)
Mrs. S. Mordechai

Did you know that ambidextrous means you can write the same with each hand? Well, amphibian means we live both in the water and on dry land.

We changed our nature for our Creator's sake, taking up residence all over Mitzrayim even in bread that was about to bake.

I'm getting ahead of myself. Let me explain, please. This is a tale of how a villain was brought to his knees. Hang on to your hat! The winds of justice are about to blow. All Egyptian bakers should guard their dough!

It was time for the whole world to recognize Ayn Od Milvado. An evil serpent-king claimed that he was G-d. His name was Paroh. Getchkas were everywhere you turned. That there is A Borai Who Maasai Olam with precise Hashgacha needed to be learned. Elokim would now educate the population and eradicate evil with a humongous, miraculous upheaval. Rather than make another mabul, HE would make a hands-on school to show that HE created and controls all creatures, earth, wind, fire, and water. The rebbe was the most humble man, Moshe Rabbeinu, who had been pulled out of the Nile, as an infant, and raised by the serpent-kings's daughter. In his dealings with Paroh, the "king" who had a heart of stone, Moshe's partner was his brother, who would be the Kohain Gadol, Aharon.

The world had not seen such displays of G-d's power since the great flood! There would be no food without the Nile River and NOW instead of water, there flowed BLOOD.

We frogs had the zechus to be plague number two taking center stage and in full view.

We usually keep a low profile, but to serve the Abishter, we made a spectacle of ourselves as we paraded out of the Nile.

We all piled into a huge frog-like trojan horse. As it lopped toward Paroh's palace, the Mitzriim became enraged and began to strike it with force.

Every hit caused more frogs to emerge in a frenzy of hit, purge, hit, purge.

You can figure out what happened if you're good at math, especially multiplication. A seemingly infinite number of frogs spread out over Mitzrayim in every direction, to every location.

Making a racket of ribbiting and croaking vaulting, jumping, diving outside, inside, each of us striving in our Heaven-Sent quest to be the perfect combination of nudnik, nuisance, and pest.

We were in their pockets, on their plates, and swimming in every drink; making the Mitzriim crazy, literally pushing them to the brink. Their Menuchas HaNefesh we were supposed to rob and Baruch Hashem I think we did a really, really good job. I have to say it was mamash fun but truly we were just serving the Ribbono Shel Olam, the Holy One.

Did I feel sorry for the Mitzriim? Absolutely not- Our eyes can rotate to see 360 degrees. We were appalled and angry about Paroh's evil decrees. They threw all the baby boys into the Nile. We saw with our own bulging eyes! If it wasn't for Malachim all those infants would have, Rachmana Latzlan, met their untimely demise.

When we saw bread baking in hot ovens, de-

spite our thin skin, we jumped right in. You don't need to be a Tzaddik like Avraham Avinu to sacrifice your life Al Kiddush Hashem. We tzefarde'im didn't think twice! We demonstrated the point with a leap and a hop. to sanctify HIS name and to ensure that Paroh's defiance would once and for all stop!

After HaMelech Malachei HaMlachim sent eight more plagues, Paroh finally learned Who Rules the World and let the Jews go! Hooray! What a glorious day!

We amphibians would like to brag that that the determining factor was plague number two but we know that the only force is HaKadosh Baruch Hu!

It would take thousands of years before all the inhabitants of the world would become ma'aminim, but, with the NAME I Will Be As I WILL Be, the final and eternal Geulah will rock the planet once more with open signs and mofseem. We frogs will stay awake all night and sing to the Real King. Until its time for the rooster to crow we will ribbit Baruch Sh'amar v'Haiya HaOlam and croak Blessed Forever is Shem Kavod Malchuso!!

With Mamash Infinite Gratitude to Sh'amar v'Haiya HaOlam for the Open Signs and Mofseem and R. Yitzchok Kaufman (The Spring Hill Times); R. Zev Golombeck (The Bitachon Hotline); Artscroll Schottenstein Editions: [(Chumash Parshas Vaiera Texts and Commentaries,) R. Nossan Scherman (Perek Shira translation and Commentaries,) Siddurim and Tehillim;] R. Moshe Weissman (The Midrash Says: The Book of Shemos;) R. Pinchas Kasnett (Abarbanel on the Parsha: Parshas Vaera 28 Tevet 5776;) R. Alex Israel (Lesson 24 Vaera: The ten plagues: A Lesson in Faith;) R. Yitzchak Etshalom (Making Sense of the Plagues: The Education of Paroh;); R. David Sutton (The Song of the Frog;) and EK, SN, R.S.S., SF, L.J., JF, CYS, AU, MM, DD, CDS, RF, RD, AG, CEG, TS, and RRM.

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Parsha Fun



Parshas Va'eria Riddle 121:

Moshe Rabeinu's stick turned in to a snake. Pharaoh didn't panic or shake; rather he asked his magicians to duplicate! Afterwards all the snakes returned to their original state.

Then Moshe's stick swallowed up all the sticks! Paroah did not have any last licks!

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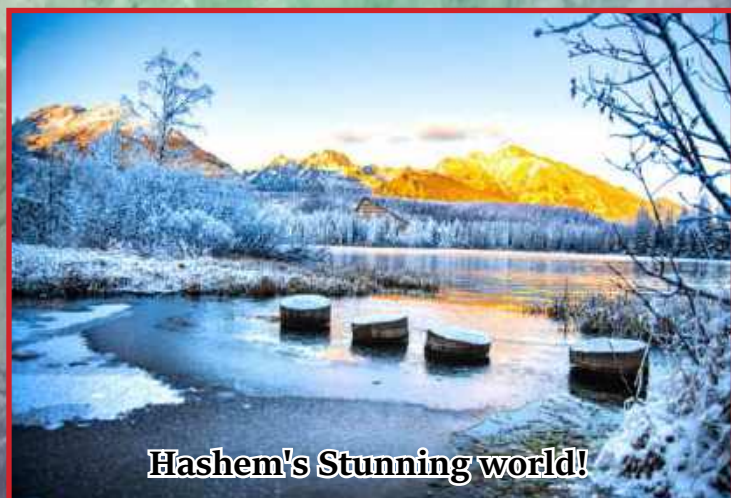


פרשת ואריא

1. Why did Hashem speak משפט to Moshe?
2. Why did Hashem include Ahron with Moshe when he came to speak to פרעה?
3. Why does the Torah mention the names of the children of ראובן שמעון and לוי?
4. Why does the Torah mention how long לוי lived?
5. From when did the four hundred years of golus begin?
6. Why was Yisro's name פוטיאל?
7. Why does the Torah sometimes mention the name of משה before אהרן and sometimes the other way around?

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Envelopes! We can have letters/
checks/information sealed and
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Thank You's

By: R' Simcha Elefant Yerushalayim
Ir Hakodesh
לזכות משה יהודה בן שושנה

Thank You, Hashem, for
Hole Punchers! We can add
holes to paper to be able to
keep them together!



Thank You, Hashem, for
Book Ends! They hold books
from falling down!



Thank You, Hashem, for
Tape Dispensers! We can
easily get tape cut to specific
sizes!



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I'm making a simcha and I have very few friends that will come share in my simcha. It's hard for me to see so little people attending. Please help!

1. The only thing you should thinking and saying during the entire simcha is: "Thank You, Hashem. I Love, You, Hashem!"

Thank Him for the rich and beautiful life He has given you. Thank Him for the deep love He has for you.

He is right there together with you by your simcha. Spend your time wisely with Him!

2. When you accept the pain and discomfort with love and even thank Him for it, you are giving Him the deepest nachas. It's bringing your neshama to the highest levels possible.

3. Realize that in truth all of Klal Yisrael are one. Your simcha is Klal Yisrael's simcha. All the neshamos and the entire creation is rejoicing with you!



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Suggestions for when an ice storm prevents a couple from having their friends at their wedding...

- They could focus on the positive, their good health, that they found each other, they have families, etc, and that will help them get through this nisayon.
- Each and every guest that does come to the wedding will realize how special their presence is and will put extra effort into bringing simcha to the chosson and kallah.
- Obviously, Hashem orchestrated it this way for a reason. Perhaps, they could view this as their first challenge as a couple to look inwards and enjoy each other, and not need outside sources to foster happiness.
- Avi and Leah will have fewer thank you notes to write! :)
- A guest who would have ruined the simchah was prevented from attending.
- It was very easy to keep the beverages cold.
- Avi and Leah will have a much more memorable wedding due to the intimate group that was able to attend.



Shifra was looking forward to the upcoming workshop called "Creating a Happy Home" being delivered by one of her favorite speakers. She marked on her calendar that the workshop would take place Tuesday, the 21st of February. On Tuesday she made arrangements for a babysitter, detailed to her everything she needed to know, and headed off to the workshop.

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As soon as she arrived, she knew something was amiss. It was then that she noticed a sign on the door with the details of the workshop. She just stared at the words " Monday, February 20th". Shifra was both frustrated and embarrassed with herself, and upset that she had missed the workshop.

Help Shifra have ayin tova for her situation.

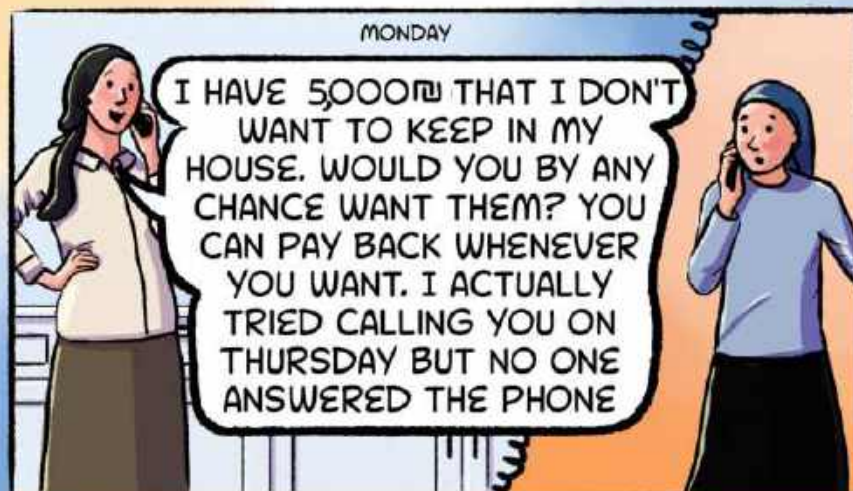
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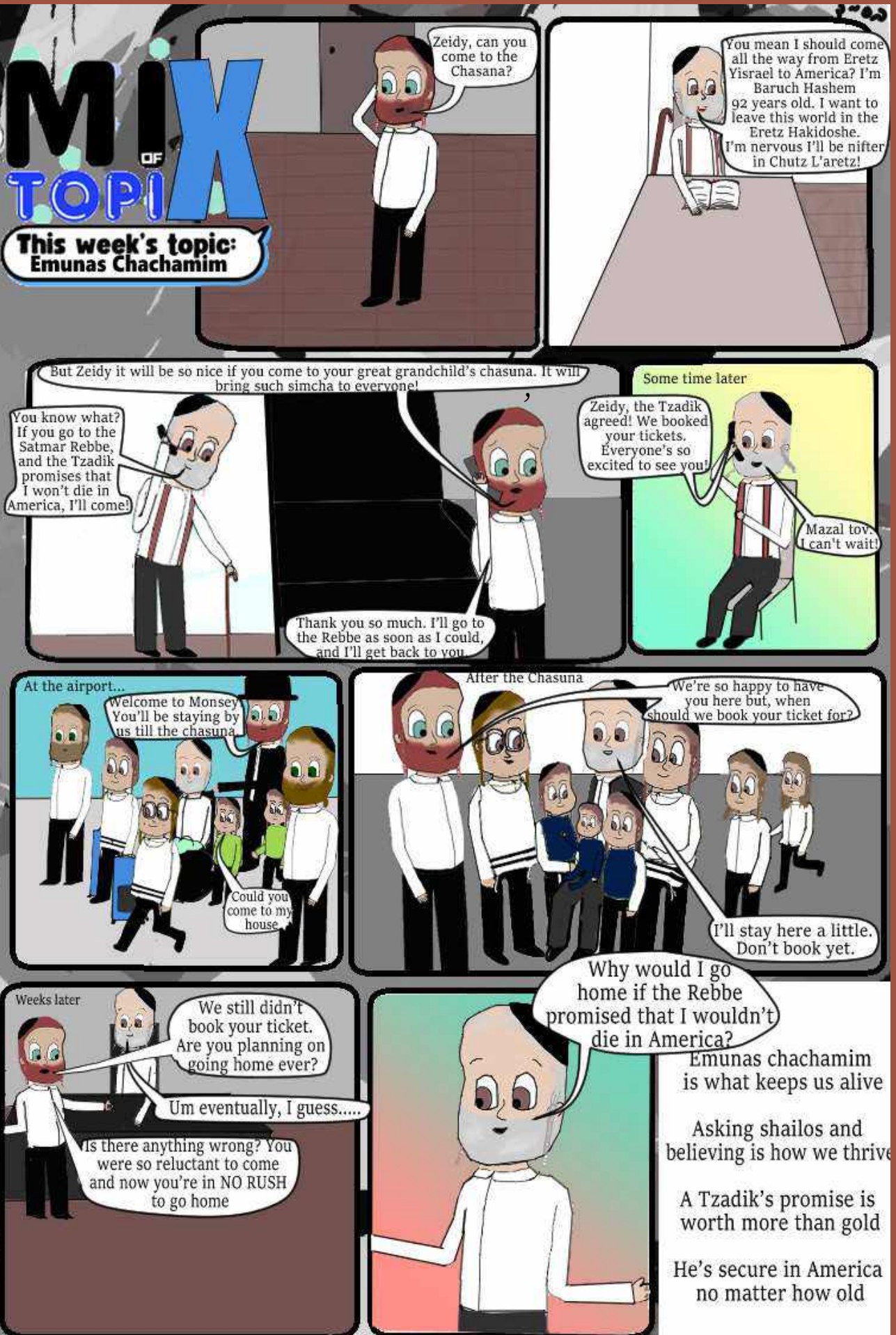
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**This week's topic:
Emunas Chachamim**





LIFE WITHOUT DOCTORS

Let us imagine for a few seconds what our life might look like, if the medical field would suddenly start malfunctioning and failing c"v, and doctors would not know the difference between one illness and another and what medication is right and healthy and what's not.

People with the flu would be getting chemo treatments, and people with cancer r"l would be getting Tami-flu.

People weighing 293 pounds would be told that they are underweight and need to put on a few pounds. Nurses would be giving vaccine shots in the eyeballs instead of in the arms.

Doctor's recommendations for a healthy breakfast would read as follows: 2 custard donuts, 3 portions of vanilla ice cream with colorful sprinkles, a 16-ounce cup of coca cola, and for dessert a half of a cherry tomato and a pack of cigarettes...

People complaining about foot aches and chest pain would have their teeth pulled out. Causing them to lose the ability to talk and chew food. And there would be a shortage of fake teeth. And

even those who would be able to afford fake teeth would have them installed in all the wrong places in the mouth, causing tremendous pain and infections that no one would know how to treat.

Doctors would be performing brain surgeries on patients to take out the headaches and fevers with pliers and wrenches.

ICUs would be filled with patients who have black and blue marks on their fingers, low grade fever and chapped lips. Waiting outside, in a long line to be admitted to the emergency room, would be all the critical patients...

Adults would be given child size doses of medication and infants given adult size doses...

Dentists would be performing open heart surgeries, without any anesthesia, to fill in cavities.

People with just slight runny noses and their families would be put into quarantine for 14 days...

Doctors would be measuring stomachaches with thermometers, fever with scales, sugar levels with stethoscopes and height with blood pressure machines, resulting in many terrible consequences.

Worst of all, we wouldn't feel good enough to be able to serve Hashem properly and this world would be a most miserable place to live in.

Thank You, Hashem, for the multi-trillion-dollar gift of "Doctors and Medicine" that you give us 24/7 365 days a year with infinite love and care!



THIS WEEK

Stories Reported in The Spring Hill Times from Previous Years' Issues

VAEIRA 5782 ISSUE 34

ALL SHE WANTS IS "HASHEM"!



A young girl from Lakewood, NJ, a follower of A Life with Bitachon, had an aneurysm r"l and fell into a coma.

One day, one of her sisters was visiting her in the ICU and all of a

sudden, the girl opened her eyes and took her sister's

cell phone and dialed A Life with Bitachon!!!! [R' Zevy Golombeck]

HASHEM LOVES US

A Yid in Eretz Yisroel had to fire one of his employees due to



a breach in tznius. The lady went ahead and filed a lawsuit against the boss. The court ruled in her favor and fined him 31,000 shekel.

The boss left the courtroom with bitachon that

Hashem would send him the money. He went next door and bought a scratch-off lottery and instantly won 50,000 shekel!!!

[Heard on Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

"IT HAS A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART"



A Rebbe was telling a chavrusa of his, that he was learning with his class the seventh perek of Bava Basra - perek Bais Kur.

His chavrusa told him, "That perek has a special place in my heart. In year 1997 or 1998, I was learning Bava Basra in Yeshiva and I decided to learn the entire perek Beis Kur, together with a friend, over the Yom Tov of Shavuot. We ended up learning the entire perek, with its huge Rashbams, twice!!!"

It's twenty four years later and it still has a special place in his heart!!! Indeed, אין אוהביה כישראל!

VAEIRA 5783 ISSUE 83

CHILD FROM LAKEWOOD LOVES HASHEM



It was Shabbos, and Shira,* a seven-year-old girl from Lakewood, New Jersey, realized that she had left her electronic toy outside.

It was cloudy, foggy and a little rainy over Shabbos, yet she did not bring the toy inside! And she was happy about it!

Baruch Hashem after Shabbos, the toy was still

working!

Just another small reminder that Klal Yisrael, young and old alike, love Hashem and His Mitzvos more than anything else on earth!

HASHEM LOVES BOCHUR!

A bochur in Yeshiva Sha'arei Chaim (Far Rockaway, NY) needed to check up the Maharshal in Meseches Kiddushin 5a.

He opened the gemara exactly there!



A similar story was called in by a yeshiva bochur:

He needed to check up a Rambam in טוען ונטען and he opened to the exact place he needed!

A similar story just happened to the Spring Hill Times editor:

I was learning with my 8-year-old son by Avos Ubanim. We wanted to check up the Malbim on a pasuk in the end of parshas Bo.

My son opened the chumash to that exact page!



INSULTS ARE GOLD!

Girls in a class in Ashkelon got into an argument. One of the girls got insulted and started crying.

The teacher saw and went over to her. She told the girl that she has a relative who hasn't had children for many years. "Could you please forgive and daven for her?"

Ten months later she had a baby!!! [Kav Hashgacha Pratis]

VAEIRA 5784 ISSUE 131

HASHEM PAYS SHABBOS EXPENSES!



It was Thursday night, and Mrs. Finkel had no money in her bank account or her credit cards. She wanted to stay home for Shabbos, but she had no way to buy what she

needed.

She thought about how she always heard from the Bitachon Hotline and the Spring Hill Times that people who needed money for Shabbos were just given money in a second from Hashem, in so many miraculous ways! She said to Hashem, "I'm just going to write the list of what I need for Shabbos, and You'll pay the bill!"

As soon as she put her list down, she checked her phone, and her aunt had sent her money! Her bill came out to almost exactly what her aunt sent her! [Heard from Mrs. Finkel]

HASHEM FEEDS BABY

The Berman family from Lakewood N.J. have a baby that uses special formula. It costs \$100! One time, they did not have the money to buy it. Rab-



bi Berman told his wife, "Don't worry. Hashem is going to send it to us!" The next morning a yungerman came over to Rabbi Berman and told him that he has an extra \$100 and that he should take it!

"Einei chol - elecha yisabeirun - v'ata nosen - lahem es- achlam b'ito!"

HASHEM TAKES CARE OF US



Mrs. Weiss from Eretz Yisrael usually buys frozen broccoli L'kavod Shabbos. It was Erev Shabbos, and she did not have the money to buy broccoli.

Suddenly, someone called her up and said, "I bought broccoli by mistake. Would you like it?" With that, Hashem sent her free broccoli!

"Poseach es - yadecha umasbia - l'chol chai ratzon!"

REMEMBERING THE MIRACLES, THE CHESSED AND THE TESHUVA

From Last Year - 5784

HASHEM PROTECTS YESHIVA

The following story was verified by a reliable source.

At a yeshiva in Netivot, the bachurim on Shabbos Simcha Torah, noticed Arab terrorists outside. They quickly called the police, but the police had their hands full and they were not able to come. Then the bachurim noticed that the terrorists left!

Some time later the terrorists came back again, and again they left! They did not enter the yeshiva!

Sometime later they came again. This time the police were there and they started shooting at the terrorists. They killed some of them and they captured one of the terrorists.

They later interrogated him and asked him why he didn't enter the yeshiva the first two times that they came. The terrorists said that when they came, they saw scary looking Rabbis standing by the yeshiva protecting it, so they left. They showed pictures of different Rabbanim to the terrorist, and he chose the picture of the Rosh Yeshiva zt'l of that yeshiva who was already niftar, and the picture of the Baba Sali zt'l!

"Lo siune - elecha raah - v'nega - lo yikrav - b'ahalecha!"

KLAL YISRAEL IS COMING HOME TO HASHEM

There's a family in Eretz Yisrael that had a son and a daughter who were captured by Hamas and were being held in Gaza. The girl who was in captivity promised Hashem that when she would be freed she was going to be shomer Shabbos for the amount of Shabbosim that she was in captivity.

At the same time, her mother promised Hashem that when her son and daughter would be freed she would start keeping Shabbos!

Baruch Hashem they were both freed and they are now shomer Shabbos!

"V'amech kulam - tzadikim!"

FAMILY SAVED BY ZECHUS OF KAVOD HATORAH

R' Yisrael Stilerman:

I heard a story in the name of R' Moshe Dov Fox, a chashuva rav.

There is a family in Ofakim who owns a dira in Ramat Eshkol in Yerushalayim, which they have been renting out for many years. The renters in Ramat Eshkol know the owners in Ofakim very well and always tried to invite them to come visit for a Shabbos, but they never came. Finally, this year, they

called them up to invite them for Simchas Torah and wouldn't take no for an answer.

"We already cooked the food for you - you have to come!" So they came. And they were spared the horrific events of that day in the south. Their neighbors were attacked but they were saved!

The wife was asked, in what zechus were they saved? She said something mavhil (unbelievable).

Many Americans live in Ramat Eshkol and the rent keeps climbing higher 5K, 7K, 9K...

After renting their dira to this family for a number of years, they heard that rent prices had gone up. They told the tenants that the rent would be increased. The husband said he can't afford that much. He said he understood it was their right to raise the rent, but he would then have to move away. The owner asked if he learned three sedarim a day. He said he did. If so, he said, "In the zechus of the Torah we won't raise the rent." And they kept the rent the same as all the previous years.

Their chashivus (high regard) for Torah was the zechus to save their family! They did a chessed and seemingly gave up an extra few thousand shekalim of rent per month, but they didn't lose out from it; they gained their own lives!

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