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Elul:Excited or Apprehensive?
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Ok,I know people will probably yell at me for this post of mine,but what can you do?

I do not like elul. That's a serious understatement, but any word stronger would bother people so ill leave it at that.

I do not like selichos.

I do not like yom kippur.

The feelings of shame and regret and lowliness that I feel all year round are now magnified,multiplied,and seriously intensified.I don't want to look into myself.If I ever do,its always in my own unique way (alone,quiet,relaxed,with a gutiar,etc...).I really do not enjoy getting up every morning an hour earlier and saying along with the rest of my yeshiva "I have sinned,i have betrayed,i have stolen,i have wasted seed,i have looked at porn,i have looked at women,i have coveted my neighbors wife"

Even worse,i look around and everyone seems to be so into it,like theyve been waiting all year for this.

I just stand there, spaced out cause i cant bear spacing in, tapping my chest with my fist, wondering if i could sneak away for the next half hour.

I know what you all will say.

Uri, elul is not about feeling guilty. Its about getting closer to Hashem. Its an opportunity. You just go to too much of a litvish yeshiva.

Closer shmoser.

I know self introspection when i see it.I do not like it,unless it is on my very specific,unique terms.

I dread this time of year, and whatever you say, I think its for good reason.

Maybe thats even why ive been so down the past bit. Already people are begining to talk about elul and tshuva and other fun stuff.

Not for me.

-Uri

Thank you, Kutan for sharing that great Mashal!

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