

Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?

Posted by Pintele Yid - 18 Jun 2009 17:47

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Per the Heiliga Guard's advice I am copying and slightly expanding a vort that I wrote yesterday under this section:

I heard this Vort from my Tanya Rebbi. I am attempting to modify it to our situation. There was a Gerrer Chusid who lost all of his family in the Holocaust. Although he had a beard, payos and yarmulka before the war, the Nazis Yimach Shemem Vizichrom (may their memory be obliterated) took them away from him and he didn't reclaim them after the war. He moved to Tel Aviv and after some time, he missed his Rebbi, the Imrei Emes. He decided to visit him and when the Imrei Emmes saw him, he recognized him and invited him into his study and asked him to tell his story. (Parathetically, the Imrei Emes lost half his family and 250k chassidim in the Holocaust.)

After the yid told his story, both he and the Imrei Emes put down their heads and weeped for a very long time. At some point, the Imrei Emes picked up his head and stopped weeping and asked the yid a question. It says in Parshas Ekev (Tes, Yud Zayin), that Moshe picked up the Luchos and broke them "Li'aynachem", in front of "your eyes". Lichoira, "Li'aynaychem" is extra since he was talking to klal yisroel? He answered that it is because **the luchos were only broken in front of Klal Yisroel's eyes. In truth, there is a place where the Luchos were never broken.** He applied it to the Holocaust and all the other massacres that we have endured over the years. He said that "although your family and much of my family and much of my Chasidim were killed - they were killed only in a bechina of "Li'aynachem". But there is a place where every heiliga yid still lives unbroken and totally whole."

My beloved brothers. I wish to apply this to our situation. Although we "break" our neshamos from time to time, (sometimes more often than we like and in ways even we can't believe we do), **we should remmember that this is only L'aynainu.** But in the sefira of Kesser, in the bechina of "kol Yisroel", our Neshamos are totally clean and whole.

Next time the Y"H wants to tell you how bad you are, send him to the Nazis. No matter what your stage, remmember "Veshuchanty b'soch Tumasum". You might not know where that place in you is, **but the Pintele Yid in you knows, and is living in harmony with Hakodosh Baruch Hu as it says in the Zohar (and bought in the Tanya) on the posuk in Berashis Vayepach Bapov Nishmas Chaim, Man D'nofach M'Toicoi Nafach.** . This means that Hashem breathed from his essence into man. Therefore, we have a piece of Hashem in all of us.

Pintele Yid

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by bardichev - 18 Jun 2009 19:37

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by the.guard - 18 Jun 2009 20:11

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No wonder your name is pintale yid! This vort sums it up so beautifully!

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by Pintele Yid - 18 Jun 2009 23:34

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[bardichev wrote on 18 Jun 2009 19:37:](#)

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Holy Bardichev,

I don't remember learning specifically on the subject but in the spirit of the Gemorah Shabbos Kuf Yud Ches Amud Bais where Reb Yosi states *"In my days I never transgressed the words of my friends. I know that I am not a kohen, but if my friends asked me to go up and Duchen (say the priestly blessings), I will go"* Bezres Hashem here are my thoughts:

1. It says in the Tanya in Likutai Amurim Perek Bais, our Neshamos are a Chelek Elokai Mema'al Mamish, meaning we are totally connected with Hashem. Therefore, from a practical standpoint, Hakodosh Baruch Hu made us inseparable with him under all circumstances - even when we are steeped in Tumah. To add something that is very relevant to us, since Hashem is the only "Ani", the less we feel our "Ani" and give over ourselves to his mercy, the more he will be shochein Bisochainu - helping us with our struggles. This reminds me of a story I heard from my Tanya Rebbi. There was a Talmud Chacham recluse who was also a Baal Gaava that went to visit (I think) the Baal Shem Tov. As he was walking into his study, he heard the Baal Shem Tov say, Im Yisaser Ish Bmistarim V'ani - Lo Yireno Nium Hashem. The poshut pshat of this psik means that "if someone hides in hidden places does he not think that Hashem will see him? The Baal Shem Tov changed the meaning to "If someone hides and he is a Baal Gaava, (Ani), then Hashem will not see him. The Talmud Chacham got the message and worked on himself and came back 3 years later. As he was walking into the study the Baal Shem Tov said

"Im Yisaser Ish Bmistarim V'ani Lo - Yireno Nium Hashem. This means that if a person nullifies himself before Hashem, then it will result that the countenance of Hashem will shine upon him.

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3. We are Hashem's children. We might be in golus and sometimes doing all the wrong things, but Hashem our tatte in himel will never forsake us no matter how much we dirty ourselves. Because a normal father, even if he sends his son away from him as a result of his transgressions, will always be there looking after him. How much more so our tatte bechina of Havaya, will always be there for us.

Pintele Yid

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by Noorah BAmram - 19 Jun 2009 00:50

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Holy Pinteleh,

GEVALDIK GEVALDIK GEVALDIK!!!!!!

That story with imrei emes lit brings tears to my eyes.

Bl'n I plan on rereding your 2 verter - they are deep and deserve more then a cusory web surfing

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by Pintele Yid - 19 Jun 2009 15:49

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Just to add one more thing regarding Chanukah that I heard from HoRav Moshe Wolfson.

It says in the Tikkunei Zohar in the introduction of Posach Eliyahu that from looking at the world, you can possibly infer spirituality. For example, in Mishlai Perek Chuf Posuk Chuf Zayin it says that that Ner Hashem Nishmas Adam, meaning that if you want to understand what a Yiddeshe Nishoma is, then look at the parts of a candle. Just like you need several parts of the candle to produce a flame, similarly, you need both the body and the Neshoma to produce life.

It is written the Gemorah Shabbos Chuf Aleph Amud Bais, "Pselos Ushmanim She'umroo Chachamim Ain Madlikin Buhen B'Shabbos Madlikin Buhen B'Chanukah". "Wicks and oils that cannot be used on Shabbos (because of their lack of ability to produce a beautiful steady flame), can be used on Chanukah".

Rav Wolfson explained this Gemorah in terms of a Neshama. He said that many Yidden can't relate to Shabbos and unfortunetly find Shabbos to be the most difficult day of the week to deal with Nisyonos. This is because Shabbos needs Hachona (preparation) from the weekdays. When we sometimes are not preparing our Neshamos for Shabbos, then the ingredients needed to produce a beautiful flame on Shabbos become tainted.

But Chanukah is different. **Chanukah was meant to uplift all of us whose ingredients might be a bit tainted.** Therefore, all of us could enjoy Chanukah. That is why Shabbos Chanuka is so special, since it gives the people with "tainted ingredients" a chance to overcome that barrier and the ability to start connecting with the Shabbos.

Bzchus our immense desire to do the Ratzon Hashem, since Hashem is above time, Hashem should bring the special Kedusha (Holiness) of Shabbos Chanukah oif the velt **today** and we should all merit to have a wonderful Shabbos, and hopefully soon experience the Oilum Shekuloi Shabbbos when Moshiach will wipe away our tears and our impurities.

Good Shabbos,

Pintele Yid

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by Efshar Letaken - 19 Jun 2009 16:28

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Reb Pintele,

So we got A "Muni" in the house!

You guys are so holy and so pure! Shemen Zaies Zuch!

I wish that I will one day be in the madreigo to daven & be close to Hashem like they do.

A Beacon of light in BP. (and in Yerushaleim when the Mashgiach is in Israel over the summer)

E.L.

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
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Sorry I have been absent.

I will I"Y"H do a new post on something I heard from Rav Wolfson on Shiva Assar B'Tamuz

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Re: Shviras Haluchos - Is it Really Broken?  
Posted by Efshar Letaken - 08 Jul 2009 22:09

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Thanks. I read it. Very nice.

let us be zoche that the time should already be right for Moshiach to finally reveal himself.

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