

AVINU MALKEINU!

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I've long felt that we should concentrate more on the first two words of each "Avinu Malkeinu" than on the rest of the words. (That's what I like about the "p'sach shaarei shomayim" song.)

Now, I'm thinking that perhaps this can be a big help to many of us here now. Like many others, I am also not feeling great today and I had an interesting thought while saying A"M by mincha.

{I posted the following elsewhere, but I'm posting it here also as an introduction}

Last week I heard R' Tzvi Meir speak. I'm sorry I don't remember which sefer he read it from, but it said straight out that the because the power of these days is so strong, the y'h really works overtime. Chazal say very clearly that we can get close to Hashem during the 10 yemei teshuva, more than the rest of the year. That means that even someone who is so far-removed from Hashem that the rest of the year he can't wake up the connection, during these days he can.

The y'h really stands to lose a lot during these days so he really goes totally wild. And all we have to do, is to NOT GET PHASED BY THE DARKNESS- TO ROLL WITH THE PUNCHES AND WEATHER THE STORM. We need to recognize the confusion for what it is, namely a dirty trick of the y'h. We need to remember that it will soon pass and we will get back in to focus. And we need to speak to Hashem and beg Him to make it pass fast and bring us back to our senses.

But in truth this very darkness is our greatest opportunity! This is the "Derech" and "Kli" -the tool and the key to tapping in to the great power of these days! The Gemoroh says ????? ???? ??? ???? When one gives a gift, we can assume that he gave generously and he also provided the "Derech"

So Hashem provides each person with the "Derech" - the tools for using the great gift of these days properly. VERY VERY often that means a feeling of darkness. Because by trying to hold on and not let go even when feeling like that, we will merit the great segulah of these days.

But how do we pick our selves up when we are feeling so weak?

At Mincha today I thought about all the HUNDREDS of times that we say AVINU! and all the hundreds of times we say MALKEINU! during these days.

AVINU- our loving Father who loves us totally, completely, unconditionally and infinitely.

MALKEINU- our King! We are the King's soldiers! We represent Him in this world! Regardless of what happened in the past, we have a *shlichus* to fulfill right now as a representative of Hashem!

At this time of year, when so much is at stake and the y'h is working overtime to get us down, we repeat hundreds of times AVINU! MALKEINU! OUR FATHER! OUR KING!

That's the main message we need to get in to our selves. It's not for nothing that we repeat these words so many times! Try to think about these words each time you say them!

Only after we have this straight, can we have the courage to ask Hashem for the 44 things in this special tefilah. And still, the bottom line is AVINU MALKEINU! Each time we say this tefilah we ask for each of the 44 things once. But these holy, special, key words, we repeat 44 times!

I'm just thinking right now, that if the average person needs to say it 88 times a day, then it stands to reason that we should say it much more! Or better yet, each time we say it, we should THINK about it much more!

**RABOSAI! IF THE Y'H WANTS TO GET YOU DOWN THIS WEEK, TELL HIM THAT YOU ARE MUCH TO BUSY WITH YOUR FATHER AND KING!**

Yes, maybe it's true that I'm a loser, a lowlife, an evil person. Yes, maybe it's true that Hashem is angry at me (lol). Maybe it's true that I can't do what others can, maybe it's true that .....(the y'h never runs out of ideas)

BUT RIGHT NOW IT'S THE JOB OF EVERY JEW TO PROCLAIM HASHEM KING! RIGHT NOW IT'S THE JOB OF EVERY JEW TO REMIND HIMSELF THAT HASHEM IS **HIS** FATHER AND KING! THERE'S NO TIME FOR THE Y'H'S IMPORTANT CHAKIRAS RIGHT NOW!

Of course this is true all year. **But at the very least, in middle of the coronation of Melech Malchei Hamilachim -by His dear children, we have a basic right to push the y'h off.**

Take a moment to think about it. Your busy with the with the coronation of the creator Himself -Who happens to also be your Father and this scumbag comes and starts pestering you about his insanities. The strange thing is that somehow we fall for it and we start discussing it with him. "Well yeh, you got a point but lemaaseh I did x amount of days. Oh right, others do better so maybe you got a point etc. etc."

Lemaan Hashem, if this is not insanity what is? Here I am the "Ben habichor" of The King of Kings- The Creator Himself, busy with His coronation, and this jerk somehow manages to get me in to the most ridiculous conversation imaginable.

LET'S PUT A STOP TO THE INSANITY NOW!!!

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!!!

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