

Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!

Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 18 Feb 2010 17:44

Rabbeinu Yonah explains this posuk, (as heard from Rabbi Mattisyahu Salamon Shlit"a) that Hashem leads people who were *nichshal* in a chet on the proper way, *ze hu mah sheshalech nevi'im* to teach us the proper way.

BORUCH HASHEM! We were zoche to be directed to this eida kedosha, a truly holy gathering of people who are Hashem's ONLY freinds in this lowly world. [i]Bemokom shebalei teshuva omdim ein tzadikim gemurim yecholim la'amod![/i] We may not be like the tzadikim of previos generations, but in the dark, dirty, dingy, discusting, and degrading society we were put into, {in his infinite wisdom... we belive we are lucky to be in this generation, otherwise we wouldn't be here! HE doesn't make any mistakes!} we can accomplish even more than the amolige tzadikim did! WE CAN BRING THE GEULA! After all, a small 4 watt nightlite bulb will make all the difference whether you bump into the walls or not in if you put it in a room which is otherwise in total darkness; whereas a million candlepower searchlight does little good when used in bright daylight. As CHAZA"L say: *Shraga betihara mai ahanye*.

This forum is for personal intoductions, well... an "anonymous introduction" is quite a difficult feat to pull off. Just kidding, I understand the purpose, to start our connection with others and give/get chizuk.

This writer is a yungerman who has been looking at re'ios assurios even before he knew that he shouldn't be looking at them. He was doing the ma'aseh before he knew that it is an aveira, r"l. At 14 I happened to see the last chapters in the Sefer *Kitzur Shulchan Oruch* and discovered the rotzon Hashem (after double checking with my Rebbe that I understood what I read. I am married now with a few children, Boruch Hashem, and have been struggling with the yetzer horah since then.

Since I do consider myself somewhat of an oved Hashem, after all I am Jewish too, the last couple of months I generally managed to withhold from looking at the worst, but I did indulge in looking, searching, and staring at pics which my filter did let through as they are not classified as dirt in the lowest sense of the word, but were enough to be meorer the ta'avos in my heart. They were against the rotzon Hashem. The proof is that yetzer horah was pushing me to do it, and even more so, the results of these pics were often tumah ma'asim.

Brov rachamov vechasodov, I was zoche to be directed to this great and holy site by a Rabbi

who knows about my struggles (I am forever indebted to him for this refferral!) and with much siyata dishmaya and the chizuk I recived from this site, I was zoche to have a highler level of shmiras einayim for the last 29 days that I haven't had since before I was a Bar Mitzvah!

Yasher Ko'ach to all the good jews who set up this site, to all those that post on this site, to all those that help fund this site, and to all those dear friends of Hakodosh Boruch Hu who value true kosher SIGHT!!!

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Dov - 26 Aug 2010 02:51

Eino domeh 101 to 100...

Congrats!

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 26 Aug 2010 17:00

Agreed.

I am definitely still in the category of *Asher lo avadu!*

BTW, thanks for reading/responding.

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 30 Aug 2010 16:43

A&W Moment:

I was driving along a quite country road and needed a place to stop for Mincha as it was getting quite late. Noticing a Self-Storage facility from afar, I decided that that spot would be good enough for me to pull into their parking lot for a quick tefilah. As I was turning off from the road I saw a changeable message sign hanging right below the main sign. It read: **'Life without God is like an unsharpened pencil - It has no point'**.

I was floored!

Here I was, stopping for a quick mincha at the side of the road, out in the middle of nowhere, and Heshem sent me a PM, a personal message: Hello? Don't think I forgot about you. I am over here too! I am listening to your Mincha even when you are alone in the far-off spot!!

Can anyone suggest a better introduction to tefila than this?

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by silentbattle - 30 Aug 2010 19:32

Wow! Nice! Did you post that in the "feel the hugs" thread?

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 30 Aug 2010 20:03

Didn't think of it!

Now that I **am** thinking of it, maybe the last few post would also fit into that thread? On the other hand, since this thread serves as a journal of sorts. (This is the place where anyone following my progress can peek into my life.) I think that they should be gathered in this spot.

To 'quote' them or copy/paste in that thread is also an option.

Any thoughts or other perspectives on the matter are welcome via PM.

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 06 Sep 2010 22:12

A&W Moment:

Last night, my wife and I were shlepping a bed to the basement. As we were nearing the staircase leading down, my wife suggested that maybe we should leave it there and I should ask my upstairs neighbor to help carry it down.

Just as she finished speaking we heard his footsteps coming down the steps from his apartment! I promptly opened the door and requested his help. The bed was in the basement within a few minutes.

Always remember: Hashem is in control! (Whether we see it or not!)

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!

Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 06 Sep 2010 22:36

A&W Moment:

Shabbos eve., as I was singing the zemer *Kuh Ribon Olam*, my foot suddenly started slipping. Although I caught myself immediately, I remembered what I learned on GYE & The Calls that everything is a message from Hashem. So I started to think what can the message that He is trying to send me be? After a moment's thought I realized that in the beginning I had been concentrating on the words that were coming out of my mouth but by now I was already daydreaming. As I returned to reality I took notice of the words that we were singing: *Ravrivin uvdeich usimhaya, machich ramayu v'zakif kefufim* - How great are your deeds & wonders! You you lower the high ones & straighten the crooked ones!

"Hashem, I heard your message! I heard it loud & clear!"

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!

Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 07 Sep 2010 19:51

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Past the halfway point!!!!

"Thank you, Hashem for bringing me this far; please continue to lead me on the proper path!"

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!

Posted by Dov - 07 Sep 2010 20:50

Omein!

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 07 Sep 2010 21:31

As we prepare to exit the year 5770, it is a time to make a reckoning of how the year passed. How it started with guilt & regret for all the garbage I was living in, along hopes and prayers for Hashem to help me get out of it. The format was exactly the same as the year before, and the year before that, and the year before that.....

The year 5770 turned out differently though! The year 5770 was the year that Hashem showed me his mercy. It is the year that, on 20 Teves, Hashem led me to the great and holy Guard Your Eyes Kehilla!!! This is the year that the shackles binding me began to loosen! This is the year that I learned what it means to have Emunah in Hashem! (I am still very very far from it, but I am beginning to **learn** what it means. I see the light at the end of the tunnel. It is far away, but already in sight!) I thank Hashem for the wonderful year that he granted me, while I also beg him to please give us all another good year too!

Now, as the year draws to a close, is an opportune time to express appreciation & gratitude to all of you who acted as Hashem's shelichim in leading & prodding me along the proper path!

This merit will surely escort you in the upcoming Yom Hadin. I pray that Hashem grant you all a ksiva v'chasima tova, a happy & healthy year, a year of peacefulness & freedom - **true** freedom!

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 13 Sep 2010 18:45

A&W Moment:

The first day of Rosh Hashana, as we were saying "Avinu Malkeinu Ein lanu Melech ella atta" at the conclusion of Shacharis, I looked at the clock.

It read:11:11

Just ONE king!!!!

Amazing!!!!

Hashem lifted his veil for a moment for me to peek in & SEE that he is really there listening!

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!

Posted by Yosef Hatzadik - 13 Sep 2010 19:17

A&W Moment:

1st day Rosh Hashana, shortly after kedusha of shacharis, a 'memory' comes to mind, it is extremely vivid! It triggered.... "Oh boy! Not today! Not when I am standing in shul, wearing a white kittel, saying tehilim! I can't have SUCH thoughts NOW."

The next thoughts that came to mind were: I have learned what it means to 'give it over to Hashem' when in moments of RID, but until today I have never understood how that is done when the 'urges' are active..... But, it doesn't hurt to try.

So I asked hashem to clear them away.

He did!

They were back 5 seconds later...

Remembered reading that this can/should be repeated over & over

again & again...

and then some more...

Finally, it started to 'dim' somewhat.

I continued saying Tehilim, I was up to Perek 13.

The ENTIRE PEREK WAS "TALKING" ABOUT MY PREDICAMENT!!!!

Asking Hashem:

Till when will you be away from me?

Untill when will I try to use my OWN eitzos?

Until when will I be in this stae of depression?

Until when will my Enemy say "I won him"?

I rely on YOUR kindness, I sing to YOU HASHEM, because you have bestowed on me!!!!!!!

I was overwhelmed!

I wanted to share it with someone! A pity I didn't have a cellphone in my pocket...

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!

Posted by an honest mouse - 13 Sep 2010 22:20

wow! that was beautiful!

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Re: Tov veyoshor Hashem al kein yoreh chata'im baderech!
Posted by silentbattle - 16 Sep 2010 06:41

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I'm kinda glad you didn't have a cell phone in your pocket...