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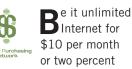
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ין א דסיד א "I was having a down day, feeling like my I wasn't effecting enough change

within my community. Nothing seemed to be moving. B'hashgocho protis, I came across a book by Rabbi Sholom Dovber Avtzon entitled Reb Pinchos Reizes, and I found the following story that really gave me a lift. It reminded me that I should never underestimate the effect I may have on another, simply by behaving as a Chossid should:

"When Nochum Nochumovitch, a simple wagon driver, entered a shul one ordinary weekday and saw the way Reb Pinchos Reizes davened, he was strongly moved and had an urge to pour out his heart to Hashem. Nochum took out a siddur and davened the Mussaf of Yom Kippur with much deveikus. Upon concluding, he decided that he could no longer continue being on the same level as his horses and gave up his job as a wagon driver, becoming the shamash of a shul instead. The Mitteler Rebbe remarked to some Chassidim around that time that the way Reb Pinchas davened begot many baalei teshuva.""

Related by Rabbi M. M. S., story originally written in Sefer HaSichos 5703, page 125

WE ASKED

What keeps you going on shlichus?

Farbrengen

"When I was a bochur, the Igros Kodesh started to be published. One of the many things that I saw and learned from reading letter upon letter is the Rebbe's dedication to doing and asking others to do what is necessary. It is not about how one feels or one's wishes but doing what is needed. That is often how I feel about what I do on a regular basis. We need to do what we need to do, regardless of how we feel on a given day." –*Rabbi Y. F.* "I block off one hour on my calendar five days a week to learn Torah. I shut everything off and learn. That is my fuel."



דע מאין באת – בין איך געווען א גראב יונג... ולאן אתה הולך?– האט דער רבי געמאכט פון מיר א "כמותו" ממש... (כאטש אז איך בין נאך ניט דער איידלסטער חסיד) ולפני מי אתה עתיד ליתן דין וחשבון – אין איין מינוט וועט משיח'ן שטיין אויפן דאך בית המקדש און מען וועט דארפן שטיין פאר'ן רבי'ן... פון די אלע כוחות וואס דער רבי האט אין מיר אריינגעלייגט, האב איך געגעבן א נחת רוח אדער ניט? (מאת הרבי.י.)

"I enjoy listening to the way the Rebbe tells the story of the talmidei HaBaal Shem Tov and their conversation with the goyishe wagon driver who needed help fixing his wagon (*Maaseh Rav*, Tape 2). The Rebbe's clear, expressive loshon and beautiful brochos resonate in my mind and inspire me when I feel there is something beyond my capacity to fulfill." – Mrs. M. R.

"Every time I feel like I am alone and that no one cares, I think about the brochos the Rebbe gave me as a child. But to make sure I never get to the point of feeling alone, *I make sure to speak to another shliach every single day.*"-RABBI G. S.

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"With so much going on every day, I find the famous HaYom Yom in which the Rebbe

equates the chiyuv of putting on tefilin daily to the chov gomur for every father to dedicate half an hour a day to thinking about the chinuch of children, as a way to find time to truly be involved. Although my schedule is forever packed, the image of tefilin in my mind helps me make it my business to spend at least five uninterrupted, undistracted minutes nightly with each child, be it reviewing the Chumash they've learned or listening to a report of their day. If I cannot be home, I speak with each of them on the phone. This is in addition to a fixed schedule of chazzering Gemoro over the phone every Tuesday evening with my son who is learning at a yeshiva abroad.

"An additional inspiration that helps me do this is envisioning the many stories I've heard and read about the way the Rebbeim interacted with and were mechanech their children despite their busy schedules." *–Rabbi Y. S.* "Everything seemed to be going wrong, and feelings of dejection began to overtake me. I wondered whether perhaps the Rebbe had forgotten about me in my farvorfen'e shlichus corner.

As that thought crossed my mind, the phone rang. Rabbi Hodakov A"H was on the other end.

'The Rebbe told me I should call and tell you that the Rebbe is thinking of you.''' -Rabbi R. S.

"The thought that every interaction is an opportunity to make a dira betachtonim."

-RABBI Y. D.



"B'hashgocho protis, I am writing this response during

Parshas Noach, in which we live the theme of the mayim rabim, the raging floodwaters emanating from the tehom rabo and the arubos hashomayim, which, as explained in Chassidus, refer to the various challenges from below (gashmius) and above (ruchnius).

"The obvious preventive approach that I find helps me most is when I am able to 'plug myself in' through entering the protective walls of the taiva, the words of Torah and tefila, most importantly to ensure that the daily shiurim of Chitas and Rambam are completed early in the day. I find my entire day exponentially uplifted when I am able to achieve this. It is my sincere hope that by sharing these words, I will motivate myself to achieve this more often.

"Back in my Manchester yeshiva days, during the late night/ early morning farbrengens, we would often sing the well-known Chassidisher niggun 'Fort a Yiddale in a Shifaleh,' which describes a Jew sailing in a small boat that breaks and begins to sink. The nigun proceeds to describe how the Jew cries out to his mother and then his father, each responding, 'Ich ken dir nisht helfen,' I can't help you. The nigun concludes in a crescendo at the response of the Rebbe, 'Du vest nisht dertrinken.' You will not drown.

"Although as a young yeshiva bochur I enjoyed the nigun, it only took on real meaning and relevance in my later shlichus years when confronting the various challenges, which at times seem to be insurmountable.

"Tracht gut vet zein gut' and together we'll each reach our final destination in our respective 'shifalehs."

–Rabbi Levi Jaffe Brisbane, Australia 💽