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WITH Eli Marcus



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A Word from our Principal

By Rabbi Ringo



Tayere Tmimim sh',

A person on shlichus in England once wrote to the Rebbe that although it is a long time since her family went on Shlichus, she still yearns to be in Crown Heights and to raise her children being physically close to the Rebbe and 770. The Rebbe responded to her letter that certainly she was referring to the Ruchniyusdikke benefits of being close to the Rebbe and not just being close to the stones and wood of Crown Heights... He went on to write that this feeling of spiritual closeness to the Rebbe could be found specifically in her own mokom hashlichus - in the very mosad that she and her family serve as shluchim. We need to always remember that a shliach's connection to the Rebbe is very special and very strong and is not limited by location or any other hardship. This is a very important message for all shluchim and their families. You, the Yaldei Hashluchim, should always keep this message close to your hearts and be proud of who you are and happy with the special abilities the Rebbe gives to succeed and thrive – including in Online School!

Wishing you a wonderful Shabbos

Rabbi Yaakov Ringo
Principal
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A Story of the Rebbe

By Mendel Labkowski

Two Bachurim were flying back from Merkos Shlichus in Central America to New York. As Lubavitchers are wont to do, they asked Jewish man passengers if they wanted to put on tefilin.

A man whom they approached was sitting with his wife and young daughter. "Would you like to put on tefilin?" they inquired. The man shook his head "no." One of the students noted a concerned look on the man's face and asked, "Is there anything we can do to help? You look very worried!"

The father unburdened himself, "This little girl is our daughter. When she was born, she was able to see perfectly. But two years ago her eyesight began to fail and now she is totally blind. We have been to all of the eye specialists in Central America and none of them could help us. We were told of a place in Boston where perhaps they will be able to help. We are on our way there."

"Do you plan on being in New York at all during your visit to the United States?" the Bachurim asked.

"No, not really," the man answered. "There is a very great rabbi, the Lubavitcher Rebbe, who is available each Sunday for anyone to approach him and ask for a blessing and receive a dollar for charity..." Try as they might, the man was not interested in putting New York on his itinerary. "Please give us your daughter's Hebrew name and her mother's name. We will ask the Rebbe for a blessing on her behalf." The students wrote down the names, as well as the family's home address in Central America. They also exchanged telephone numbers.

When the Bachurim arrived in New York they gave the information about the girl, as well as the family's address, to the Rebbe's secretariat. Two months later, one of the yeshiva students received a surprise phone call from the father. "I have to tell you something! After thorough examinations and reviewing our daughter's files, the doctors in Boston said there is nothing that they can do. We returned home utterly dejected. One day when my wife brought in the mail there was a letter addressed to us with the return address of the Lubavitcher Rebbe. 'It is probably an appeal letter,' I told my wife. 'Just tear it up and throw it out.' "My wife insisted on opening the letter. It was written in Hebrew and we do not understand Hebrew. But our next-door neighbor is Israeli. We went over to his house and asked him to translate it for us.

"The Rebbe acknowledges receiving your request for a 'bracha the neighbor

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began. 'He writes that it will be a good idea if your daughter and your wife both start lighting candles for Shabbat each week.' "'We're not really interested in these kinds of things,' I told our neighbor. "'But it is not such a big thing to do,' the neighbor countered. 'You want the Rebbe's blessing! I'll bring you the candles. All they'll have to do is light them and then we will see what happens!'

"The second week, when my daughter uncovered her eyes after lighting the candles, she said, 'I see a flame!' "'What do you mean you see a flame?' we asked in shock. "My daughter pointed to the place where the flame was. 'Do you see anything else?' we asked her. 'No,' she answered. "The following week, my daughter and wife lit the candles for Shabbat again. This time, my daughter called out, 'I see a clock on the wall.' And she told us what time it was!

"After six weeks of lighting Shabbat candles, my daughter had regained her full eyesight!"

A husband and wife who had been married a number of years but had no children had a private audience with the Rebbe. The Rebbe asked the husband, "Were you dating someone else before you married your wife?" The husband acknowledged that he had dated someone else previously. The Rebbe asked how serious things had become. "We were actually speaking about getting married but in the end we broke things off." The Rebbe continued, "Did you ask forgiveness from this young woman?" The husband admitted that he had not asked forgiveness (for any hurt feelings, misunderstandings, etc.) "Is there a way for you to contact her now to ask forgiveness?" "Yes, I know her brother and we are in touch," the husband replied.

"Contact her brother. Through him, tell her that I asked that she should give you a note of forgiveness signed by her and another person, or that she should verbally state in front of two people that she forgives you. Tell her that in the merit of this forgiveness, will hasten her finding her husband."

The husband called the young woman's brother and conveyed everything the Rebbe had told him. "Amazing," said the brother, "my sister is actually here right now because she is staying with us for Shabbat!"

After a few minutes the brother came back on the phone. "My sister said that she forgives you, and she said this in front of my wife and me." A month later, the husband got a call from the young woman's brother. "I just want you to know that my sister has been dating someone and they expect to get engaged in a few weeks." And, as you might have imagined, a few months later the couple was eagerly expecting their first child.



A Short Dvar Torah

Levi Schmerling



Gut Yom Tov! One of the names of Shavuos is זמן מתן תורתנו, because on this day the Yidden received the Torah from Hashem. The Midrash tells us that the Yidden prepared for מתן תורה for 49 days and then the Yidden were all ready to receive the תורה! The morning of Shavuos came and Hashem came down to הר סיני, but the Yidden were not there! Where could they be? Moshe went to look for them and found them in their tents SLEEPING! Moshe quickly woke them up to receive the Torah. Hashem was not happy, and since then we stay up the night of Shavuos and learn תורה to make up for the Yidden's mistake.

How is this possible?! After 49 days of excited anticipation, the Yidden went to sleep?! When we know we are going on an exciting trip we can't sleep the whole night before, so how were the Yidden able to sleep?

The Yidden knew that as much as they can prepare in this world for מתן תורה, it is nothing compared to what the Neshama can prepare and accomplish while it is asleep. While sleeping, the Neshama goes up to Shomayim and is so much closer to Hashem. So after preparing for 49 days in this world the Yidden wanted to get even closer to Hashem. How? They went to sleep! So their Neshama can get even more Heilik than before. If so, why was Hashem upset? Didn't the Yidden do a good thing?

Hashem created a Neshama in a Gashmiyus body, and put us here in this world to serve Hashem here. He didn't want us to leave this world, rather to serve Hashem the best that we can while we are in our bodies. That's why Hashem was upset, because the Yidden were not supposed to go to sleep, they should have stayed awake, in this world, and be ready for מתן תורה here.

The Weekly Shmooze

By Levi Schmerling

Hi Eli! Thank you so much for give me these few minutes with you!

Your very welcome!

You come from a very musical family. When did you start getting into singing?

As a kid I was always just singing. In fact by my Upshernish I sang a song about R' Akiva, someone bought me a tape recorder with a mic, so I just loved to sing. If we were by a Simcha, or graduation, I would sometimes sing, and things like that. We had some instruments in our house, so I would play them. It wasn't until after Yeshiva, in fact the today Yeshiva was over, that I started to sing by weddings.

Do you compose songs?

I recently in the past few years started composing some songs. The first song I ever wrote was called Kevakoros with Mendel Jerufi, Yogati is a song I composed, the song Beyodcha I did with Peretz Chein.

Where you born?

Long Beach, California.

Did you grow up as a shliach?

Yes.

**This Week With:
Eli Marcus**



How has growing up on Shlichus impacting you being a singer today?

I view my singing as a Shlichus. I like to use my "fame" as an opportunity to talk to people and give over a Chassidishe Vort, or tell them something about the Rebbe. People tell me "Oh your a Lubavitcher". I have one friend who is a Bobover Chosid, and he asks me all these questions, about our minhagim, and why the Alter Rebbe put this in the siddur, and we have all these discussions.

In the past few years you have been singing by the Day Of Celebration.

Yes, BH its very special. I also sang by the Kinsu Banquet.

How has coronavirus affected your singing business?

A lot of weddings we postponed, but I have been doing a lot of Zoom stuff, and videos for people.

What message would you have to a kid who who wants to become a singer?

The truth is that as a kid, I never really wanted to be a singer. I wanted to be a musician, a drummer, but not singer. If Hashem gave you a talent or a gift then definitely use it. Be Chazan, use it for Kedusha. It doesn't take 1 day to become an amazing singer. Work at it!

How can music or niggunim be used as to help kids that are in quarantine and bored?

I like history, so I would say to explore music, explore niggunim. If you go on the Heichal Niggunim website, there are lots of interesting niggunim to look at. For example, there is a niggun from R' Elimelech of Lizensk, but why do we have it in Chabad? So I learned the niggun, and I asked some friends. In fact, this Bobover friend said it wasn't from R' Elimelech, but from R' Zushe, there is a whole machlokes, and things like that. But explore, explore niggunim. I am trying to explore composers of niggunim. It might be a fun thing to do.



What is your favorite type of job to sing?

Weddings are the easiest to sing-You just have to go, sing, and leave. Concerts take a lot more time to prepare for, but when you are on stage, it is a lot more valuable or real, as opposed to a wedding, where some people are dancing or singing and not everyone is paying attention. Albums are a whole different story. It takes months, and months of work.

Did you sing by the Hatzalah-thon concert?

Yes, I did.

Was it difficult for you to have energy, when there wasn't so many people in the room?

There was a energy in the Room, you know the amount of money that was coming in. At home, before I went to the studio, I felt the energy. It was really a special event.

What final message do you have to everyone before we go?

I grew up like many of you, in a small city almost in the middle of nowhere, I drove an hour and a half each way to school every day. At the time I didn't know this, but now I realize how much of a Dug M'chaye the Shluchim, especially the kids have to be.

FUN PAGE

By Avrumi Feldman

Riddle 1.

I reach for the sky, but clutch to the ground;
sometimes I leave, but I am always around. What am I?

Riddle 2.

What belongs to you but other people use it
more than you?

Joke 1.

How did the chicken wake up?
It had an alarm-cluck!

Joke 2.

How do monsters like their eggs?
Terri-fried!

Send your fun
page submissions
and answers to:

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Answers to last weeks riddles:

1. Concrete floors are very hard to crack.
2. A coffin. 3. See o double you. 4. A bubble

**THERE ARE 3 STICKS.
CAN YOU MAKE 4 OUT OF THEM
WITHOUT BREAKING ANY?**



**WHAT
IS MISSING?**

**1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11
12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19
20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27
28 29 30 31 33 34 35 36
37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44
45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52**

SHAVUOS DINGBATS

The entire Jewish nation, close to 3 million people, were gathered at  waiting for the most amazing event ever! 'ה was going to speak to them and give them His 

But wait!  'ה had a serious concern; “I have been waiting over 2,400 years to give my most precious  to a worthy nation. How can I be sure that the Yiddeshe people will continue keeping the  in the future?”

'ה told the Yidden “Provide Me with a guarantee that my  will be kept and cherished forever. Give Me an acceptable guarantor and then I will give you the Torah!”

With confidence the Yidden answered, “Our amazing forefathers, Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yaakov, will be our guarantors!”

Hashem was not satisfied. “They were no longer alive, how could they be guarantors?”

Then the people said, “Our prophets will be our guarantors!”

G-d was still not satisfied. “Even great leaders can't guarantee the future.” Finally the Jews said, “Our  will be our guarantors! We promise to teach our children  in a way that they will teach their children! They will be our guarantors!”

Now, G-d was finally . “The children are sure to be good guarantors. Because of them, I will give you the Torah!” G-d knew that He could count on the Jewish boys and girls to make sure the Jewish people would  the Torah, learn it, and do its holy Mitzvahs.

It's through Jewish children learning and following the Torah, that will ensure that the  will never be forgotten. They will pass the Torah on to their children, and they to their children, and on, and on forever. You are part of a golden  going all the way back over 3,000 years to when the Torah was given! It's up to you to make sure that the golden chain of Judaism continues to be passed down to the next generation. Your  and teachers have been teaching you  and Mitzvot and in the future you will be able to teach your children and continue that special chain.

1 The tallest mountain in the world is Mount Everest but the tallest one in the solar system is Olympus Mons, located on Mars and is 72,000 ft tall! almost 3 times the size of Mount Everest! And is also an active volcano!



5 Mount Everest is Earth's highest mountain above sea level, located in the Mahalangur Himal. Reaching 29,029 ft tall



2 There are 1,000,809 mountains in the world, and about 1,500 of them are active volcanoes, aside from the continuous belts of volcanoes on the ocean floor. About 500 of those 1,500 volcanoes have erupted in historical time.



6 Har Sinai is 7,497 ft tall (not as small as most people think), and is called Jabal Moussa today.



Things you probably didn't know about...

3 Any land that rises 1,000 ft above the surrounding area is considered a mountain.

7 71 percent of the world is covered by water, and 8 percent covered by mountains. That leaves us with only 21 percent of the globe to live on!

MOUNTAINS

Shavuos Edition

By : Yoel Tzemach Krinsky

4 Every year there is a race up mount washington (which is 6,288 ft) that takes a round 6 minutes! Considering the fact that it usually takes 30-45 minutes to drive up that's pretty fast, and there's also no guard rails.



8 About 45 minutes away from Washington DC there is a mountain called mount weather. Inside the hollowed out mountain which can withstand atomic bombs, is a backup white house, pentagon and all other important buildings that are in D.C. All this is incase D.C. is destroyed

9 Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado alone is home to over 60 different species of mammals, over 300 bird species, 1000s of flower and plant classes, and many more categories of fish, reptiles and insects.

Approximately 1,200 people attempt to climb Mount Everest each year, but only half reach the top.

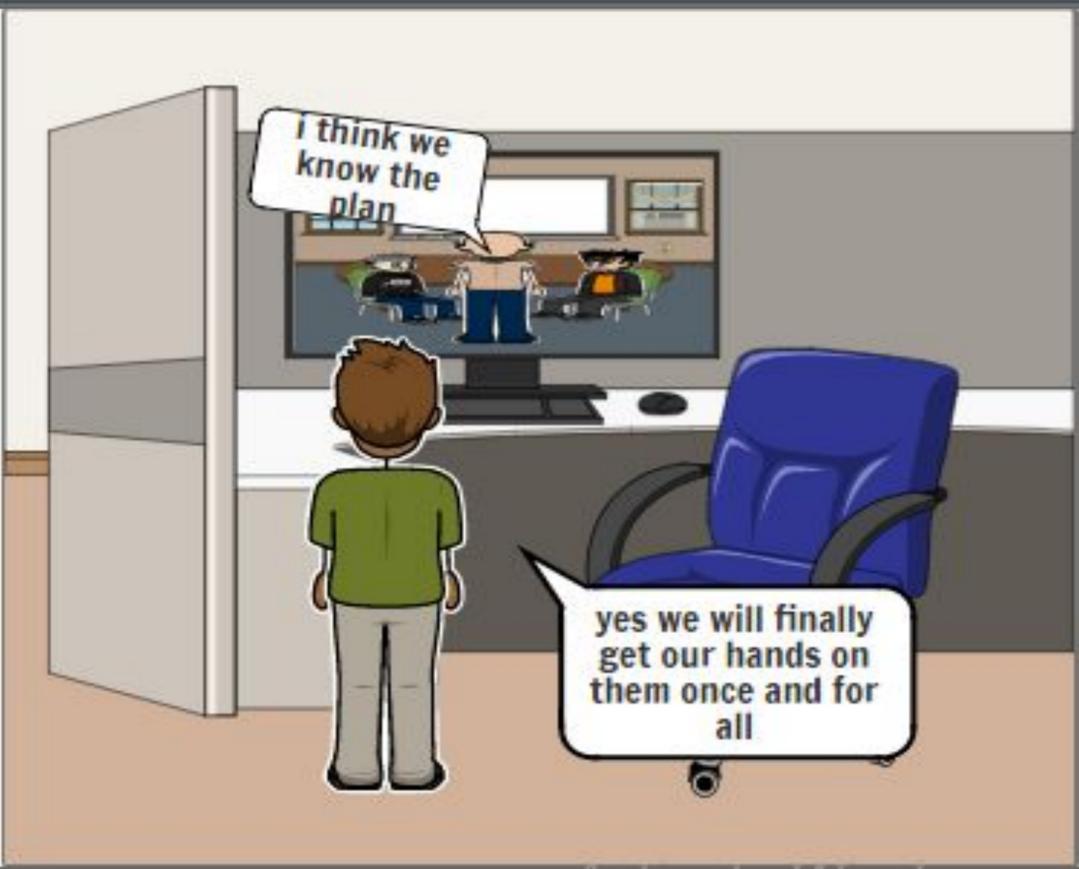
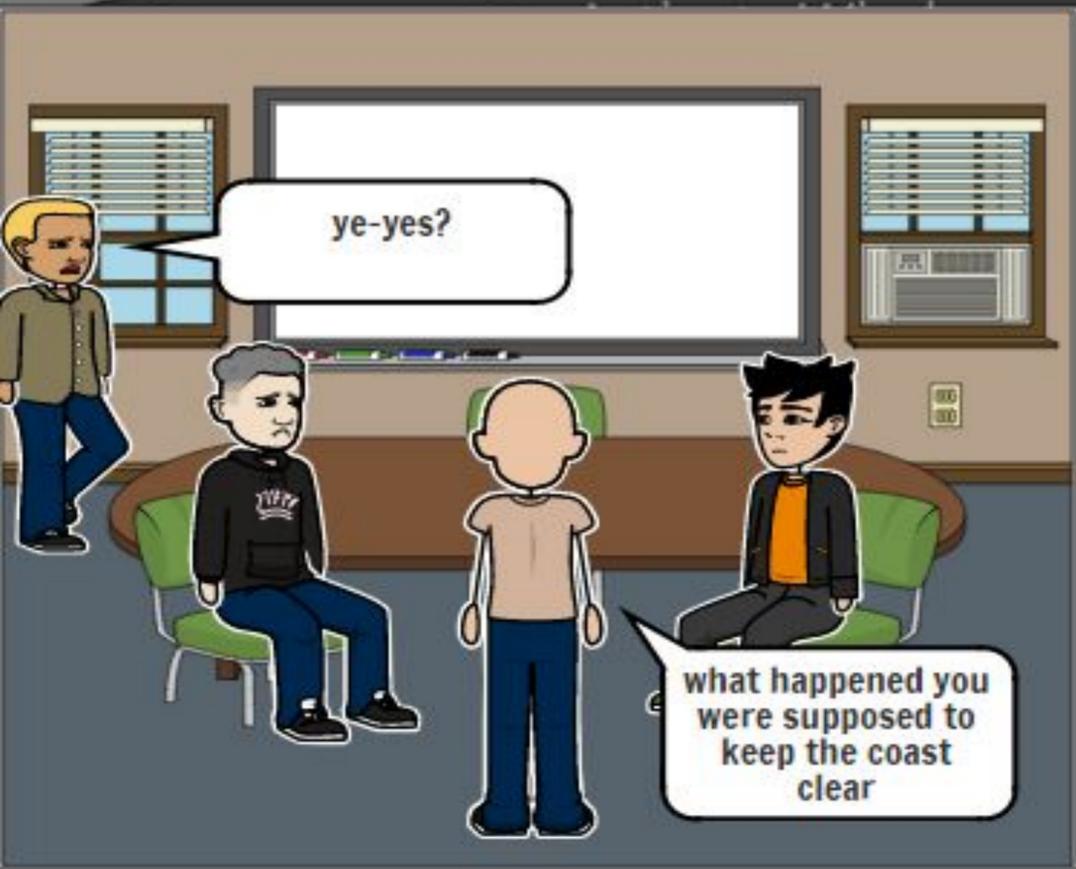
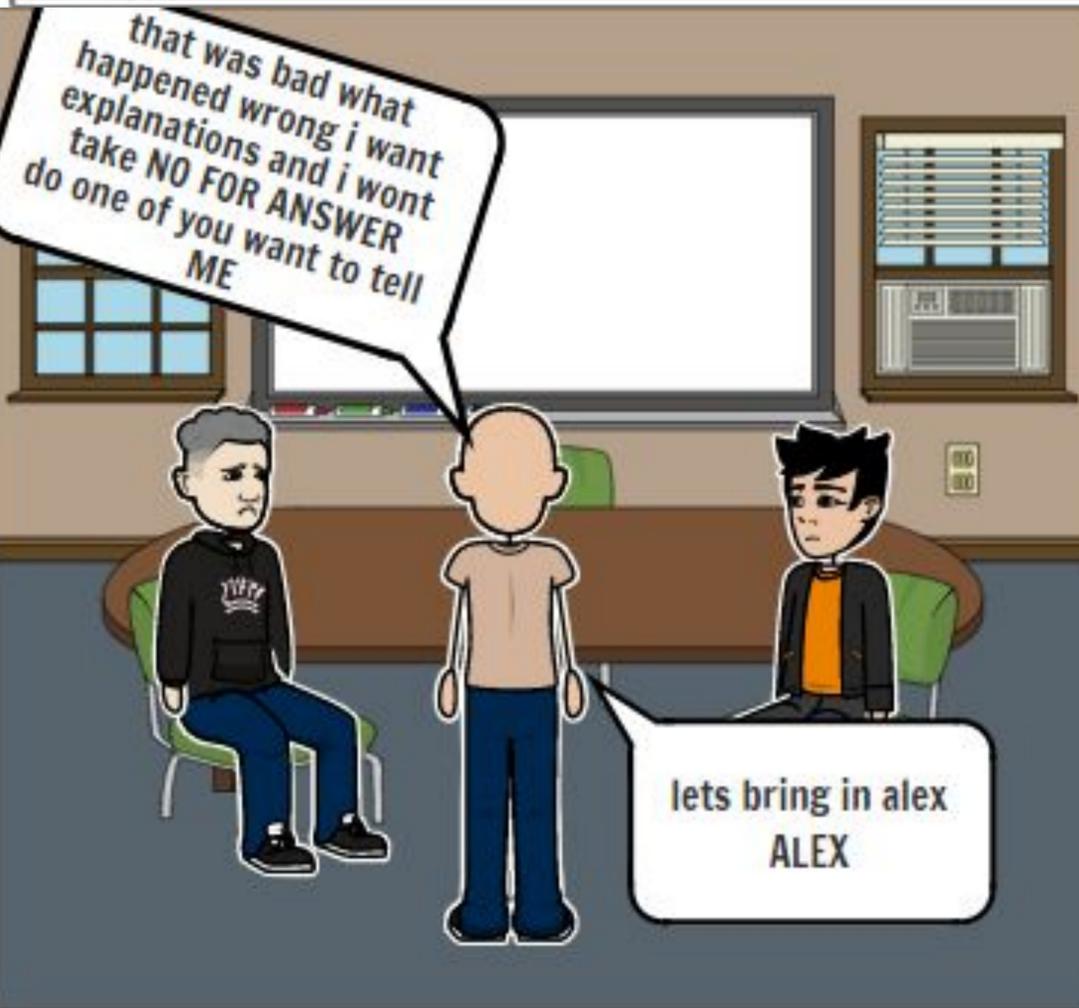
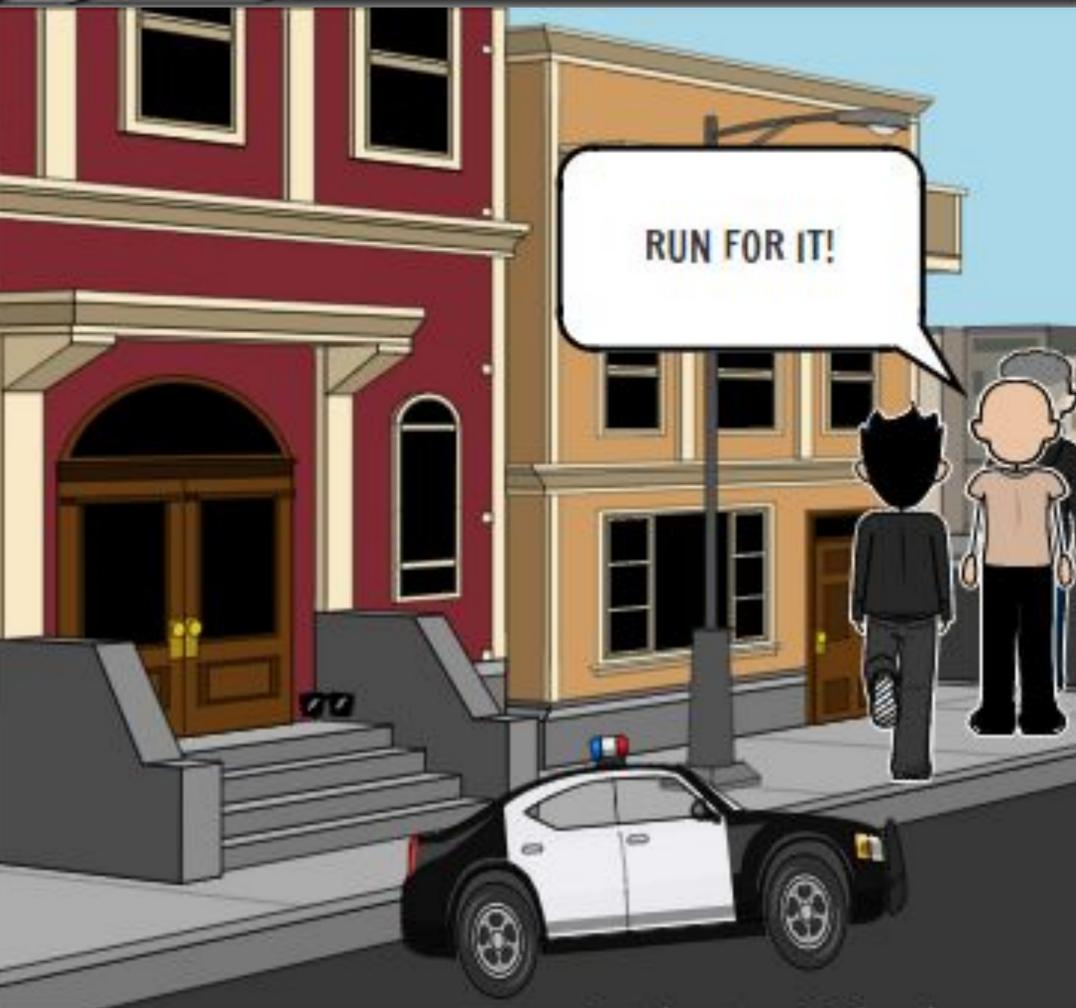
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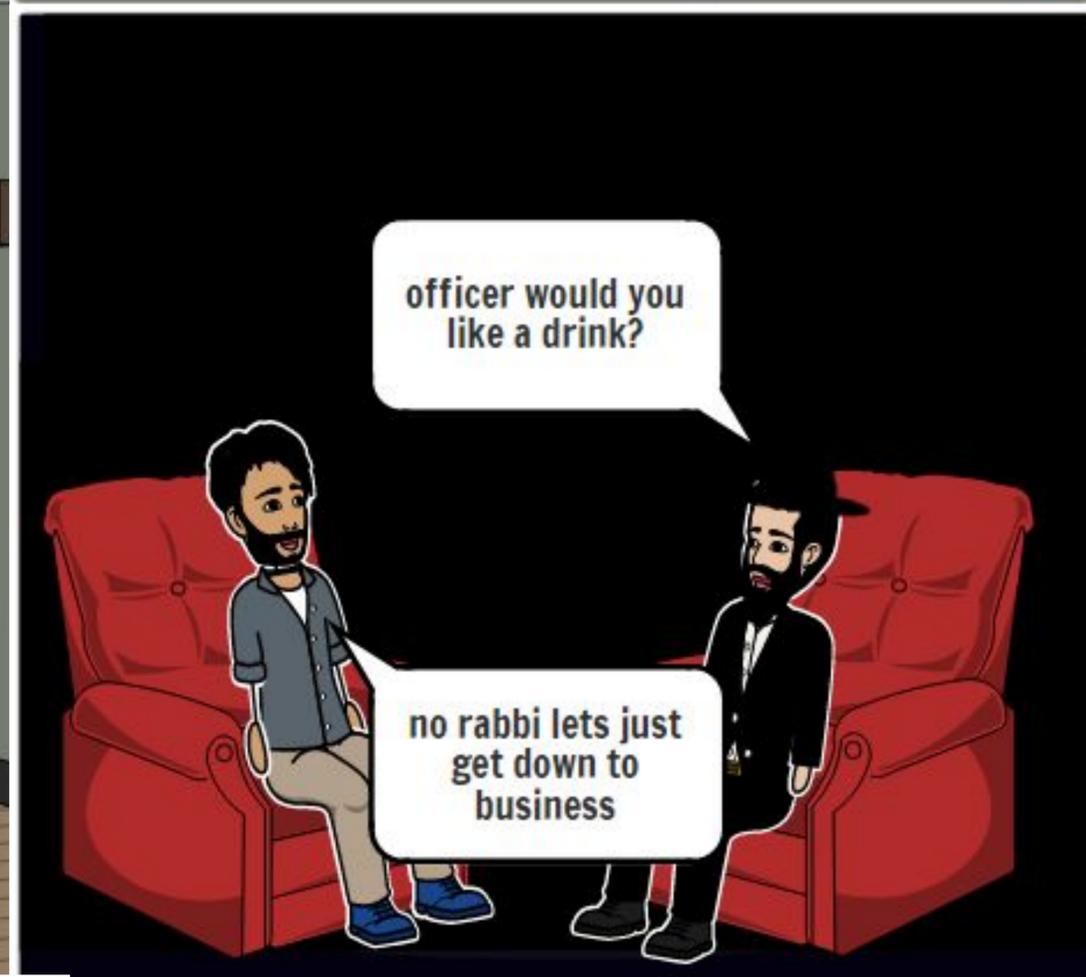
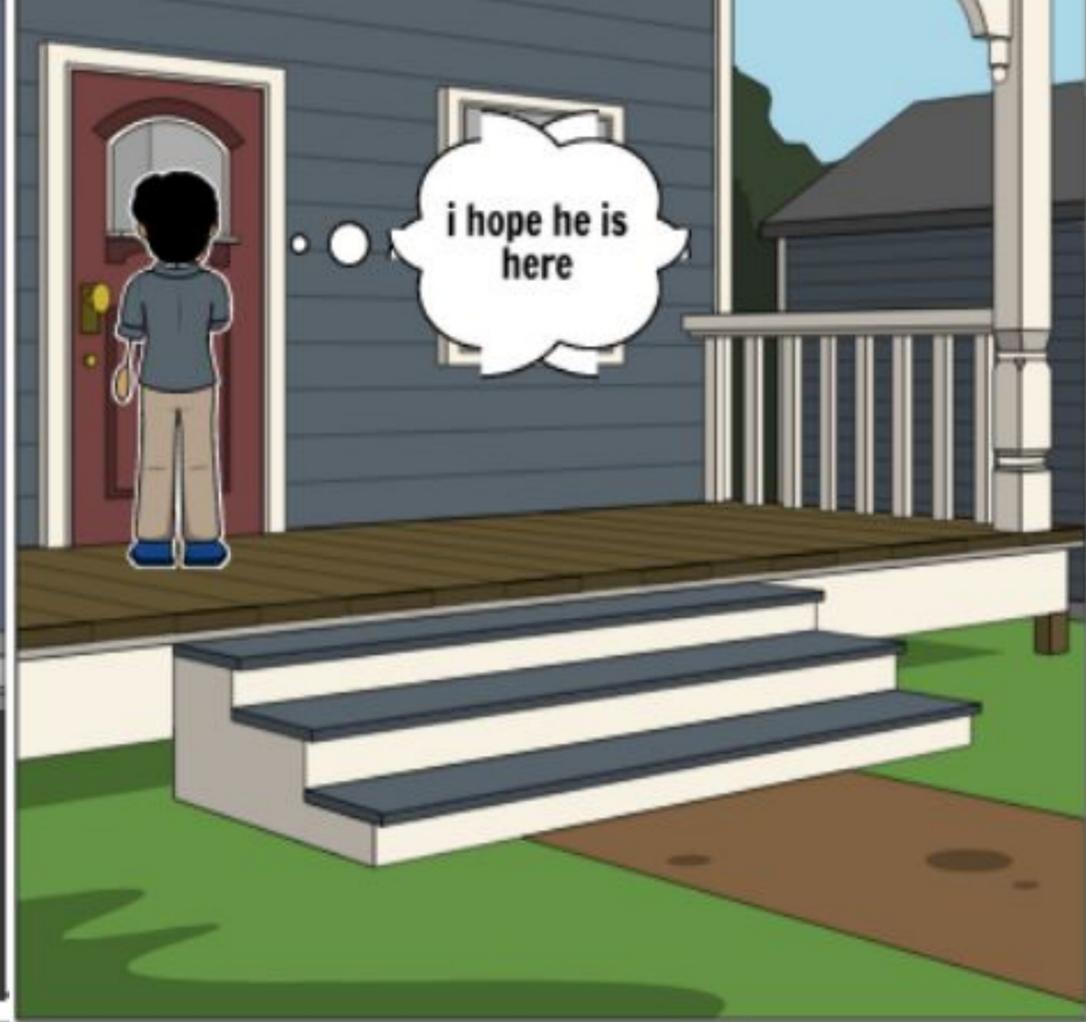
10 Do you know where the Teivah landed after the mabul? Well it was Mount Ararat 16,854 ft. tall! and is also the tallest mountain in Turkey.



12 Did you know there are not so many cool things about mountains? Well thats why this is here.







and so the officer tells the rabbi about the plan

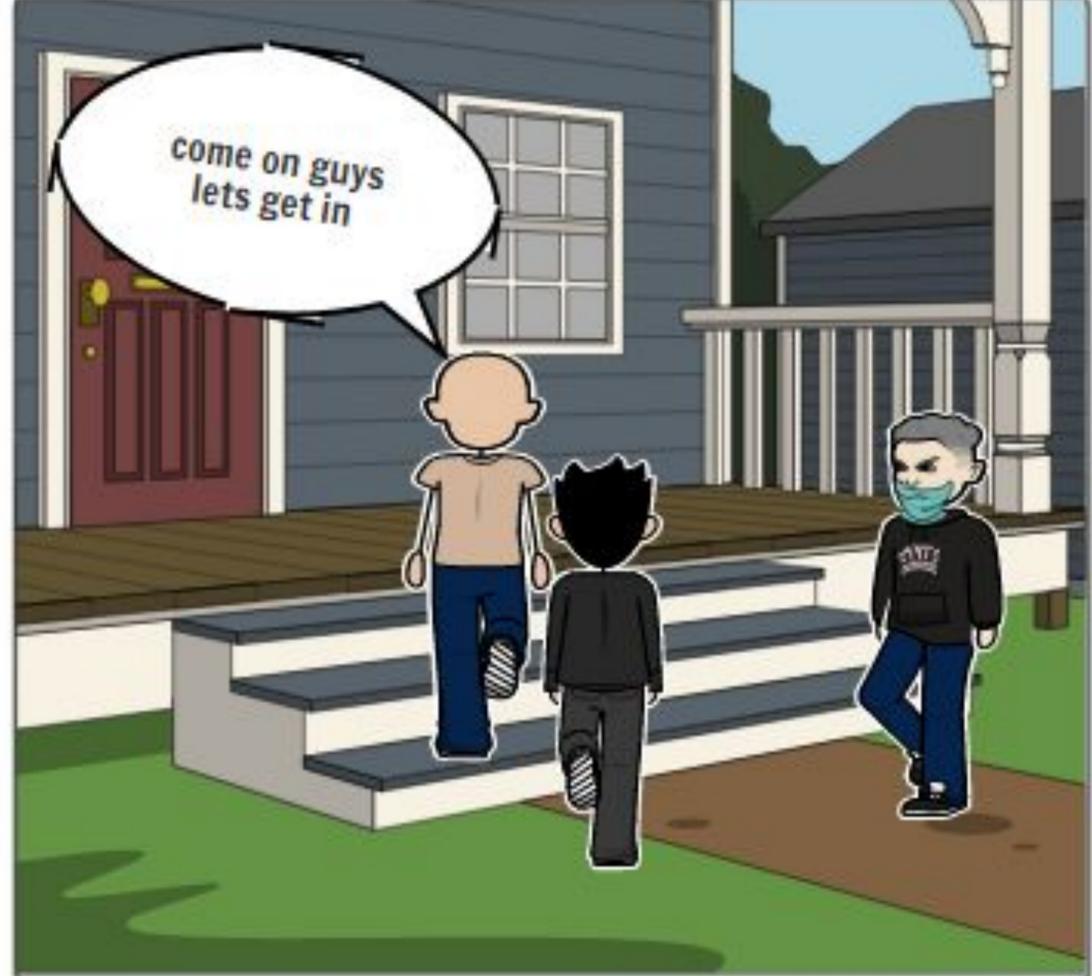


**Comic By:
Shmuly
goldman**





boruch hashem we
got out in time



come on guys
lets get in



HANDS UP!!
your sorounded

i better get
away before
thay relize

To be continued...