Torah Thoughts

...vayishore azivom, rishon l’keshet chayim (benedictus deo; vs. 10)

And one male goat for a ketoret (lit. sin) offering to יְהֹוָה.

We start on the ninth of the month by describing this special day as a time of atonement [for our sins] for all their [lit. their] generations (lit. offspring).

The first of the omerot motif (author of the name of rebbe, Reb Dov Ber) does not refer to the children of קְרַקְרֹא רֻקְלָא קְרַקְרֹא; rather, it means the previous month’s sins (lit. the תְּפִלֵי תַּנְכּוֹת of the previous month).

The offering of the previous month not only creates an atonement for the previous month’s sins, but, as we continue in our study of their קיומין, it also is a salvation of their soul from the hands of רְשָׁע. The offering on this day not only cleanses the עַלַת from their previous month’s sins, but also starts off the new month with an added protection against the רְשָׁע.

The strong gravitational pull of the moon at the beginning of the month tugs at everything liquid on the earth, including the ocean, the sap in plants and trees, and even our body (which is between 50-75% water). Just like it brings changes to the physical world, it also brings strong changes to the spiritual world.

The priestly blessing (the קָרְבָּן מוּסָף) is a special קָרְבָּן that is offered at the beginning of the month. It is a קָרְבָּן that is offered on קָרְבָּן, and the first day of every month, in addition to the daily קָרְבָּן that is offered.

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Yahrtzeits of Gedolim

R’ Moshe, was the only child (born in Siauliai, Lithuania) of R’ Zev Elcker, Chief Rabbi of Gomel, Lithuania, and his wife (daughter of the famous author, the אֶרֶן אֵלֶּר). Upon the advice of the famous rebbe, Reb Zvi Elcker, the family surname was changed to match the papers needed for emigrating to אֶרֶן. He arrived there before his twelfth birthday, in 1922. A quiet boy, he was recognized as a maamorim but was an analytical mind while he was yet a young child. In 1929, he married R’ Chaya Levin, a daughter of the famous levins. His matzav was published in the multi-volume בּוּדֶּעַ and published in the multi-volume בּוּדֶּעַ and published in the multi-volume בּוּדֶּעַ and published in the multi-volume בּוּדֶּעַ. He was the fourth child of the two sons of his famous father, Reb Zvi Elcker. He passed away on 25 Elul 5772.

Elyashiv, זְצַיֵל, suffered from many illnesses throughout his childhood and adult life. He overcame all of his physical obstacles and kept a rigorous schedule of אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת and אֶשָּׂרְיוֹת. He began his day at 3:00 AM and learned with minimal interruptions till the late evening. Until R’ Shach asked him to join the public leadership, he kept away from the public eye, except for his popular daily והר, close to 80 years!
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R’ Miller lived a long and full life without suffering from illness. He would constantly thank י for all His Goodness. During the last week, and even the last day of his life, he repeatedly many times, “ברוך יי ו_justly counts it a מטיר ראש תורו, "Who creates numerous living things ..." Those were his last words.

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Dear Rabbi,

It is impossible to fathom the enormous loss to the Jewish nation when any Jew is murdered. Who, except for my dear father, knows all the good deeds, that a person does without people knowing? In fact, it is the opposite that is true. It is the myriads of beautiful and thoughtful acts that are done without any fanfare that create the biggest doves and are a protection for a child. In this light, we can better understand the story of the old man and the old woman. R’ Yosef Sholom Elyashiv, z”l, who learned Torah for hours on end every single day for over 90 years!

There is a story told about a couple in Brooklyn that had been married for 15 years without children. They decided that it was best to divorce, despite their harmonious marriage. Shortly afterwards, the woman discovered she was pregnant. The joy had a very sad side — as a result, the husband was forbidden to remarry his former wife.

The husband went to R’ Chaim Kanievesky who suggested that he should consult with R’ Elyashiv. R’ Elyashiv told him that it is forbidden for a daughter to remarry his former wife. "The only thing I can tell you is that you should go to the doctor, and daven to Hashem!"

The husband went straight to the doctor and poured out his heart. An elderly rabbi, who watched his unrestrained davening, asked him what had happened. He poured out his heart again. The rabbi suggested that he should discuss the issue with his father. The father was very old and living in a nursing home in America, and barely spoke.

He saw this as a sign and traveled to America. He explained his situation to his elderly father and the man started crying. With tears rolling down his cheeks the father broke the news. The father and his former wife had adopted this boy after the holocaust. They brought him up with all the love and care, just like a son, but he was not a son.

My dear father, this is the time, when we feel orphaned, that we must daven for the final reunion of my dear father.

Your rabbi,

Story adapted from: Borchy Nachsh (Zilberstein)

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R’ Yosef Sholom Elyashiv noticed his son-in-law reading the introduction to the 5408—5409. He writes that the work was written only after tremendous effort, and that the three Abel Torah were meant to be the final Abel Torah. One of these three Abel Torah was meant to be the final Abel Torah, but he was spared. "This is the final Abel Torah. We needed to have him for his was saved him!"

Source: Moshe Shalom Feldheim

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One day after davening, the Tzehlemer Rebbe looked around and noticed that one of the Mispallelim looked sad.

Chatzkel, you seem worried. Is everything all right?

Oh, Hashem! Maybe this is my yeshuah! Rebbe, I have a loan of $800 due in three days - and I don't have the money right now!

Eight hundred dollars was considered a huge sum at that time, when monthly rent was $50 or $60 a month. The Rov spent the entire day on the phone calling all the people he knew.

I pledge six dollars.

Chaim, thank you. May you be gebenched. This is a special case; please send over money today!

Chatzkel returned and opened his tallis bag and an envelope dropped out.

What is this? Exactly $800! And what a beautiful note from the Rebbe! Thank you, Hashem!

THE NEXT MORNING, THE ROV HAD A PLAN. HE DAVENED EARLY AND WAITED FOR CHATZKEL TO PUT DOWN HIS TALLIS BAG AT HIS USUAL PLACE IN SHUL BEFORE HE WENT DOWNSTAIRS TO USE THE MIKEH.

...the Rebbe literally saved my life!

You are welcome... Hashem is the one to thank! I was just a shaliach. This money is not a loan. When Hashem helps and you have the money, you should lend it to others in need.

R’ Levi Yitzchok Grunwald was born in Chust, Czechoslovakia (Today Russia), to R’ Moshe (Shneur Zalman), a Talmid of the Ksav Sofer and the Rebbe of R’ Shraga Feivel Mendlowitz. The family traced their lineage back to R’ Meir of Eisenstadt (חָפֵץ חַיִׁים), a descendant of the Maharal of Prague, who came from יֵשׁוּעַ תִּתּ. He married his niece, Silka, daughter of his oldest brother R’ Avrohom Yosef. He received smicha from R’ Shmuel Engel, R’ Mordechai Leib Winkler (핸ר רבי י’h) and R’ Shmuel Rosenberg (לונדון רבי י’h). At age 28, he served as גַלִּי אִיפָּסְיָא (Faye) Hungary, then in wishing, and later in Orshiva, before being appointed as גַלִּי (קדיש) in Tzehlem, Austria, in 1931. In 1939, the Rebbe escaped from Austria and came to the US, where he rebuilt the Tzehlemer Yeshiva. He was renowned for his humility, ṭan, andental עַשָּׂר יִשְׂרָאֵל. He authored Migdolos Merkochim.