

תשורה משמחת נישואין של מנחם מענדל ושיינא ווענגער

מכתב כללי לשנת תשי"ח. זו אחת מהדוגמאות איך שהרבי האט זיך אייריינגעלייגט
(אנא נפשי כתבית יהבית), ובפרט במכתבים כללים, ודייק בכל מילה להפליא.

לדוגמא: במקום calculating כתב evaluating. במקום wrong כתב misleading
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By the Grace of G-d
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To my brethren,
Sons and Daughters of Israel,
Wherever you are -
G-d be gracious unto you -

Sincere Greetings and Blessing:

The month of Elul (and), especially the Days of Selichoth
and the Ten days of Repentance - this is the time dedicated
to sincere introspection and a careful and honest examination
of the record of the outgoing year, with a view to the proper
deductions and resolutions which are to regulate one's
personal daily ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~, as well as that
of his home, in ~~their~~ ^{his} affairs and relationships in the
~~xxxxxx~~ year to come.

life
all this

(27:8)

Moreover, these are very propitious days, days which
breathe with the core of the Psalm ~~(27)~~ recited twice daily -
"Of Thee says my heart, "Search my inwardness"; Thy essence
do I seek," (27:8); they call and demand:

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Search for the essential, the innermost and the profound
within you; seek also the inwardness of everything around you,
the innermost soul of the universe; search and discover the
G-dliness that animates and pervades the world!

Both aspects - the honest self-appraisal and the search
for the essence of things - are inrerelated and interdependent.

Evaluating
Specific observations

In calculating the results of the outgoing year, one is
very prone to err by taking into account only the superficial,
both in himself and in the environment. In doing so he is on
equally ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ treacherous grounds in regard to
setting the pattern of daily living in the year to come.

misleading

To forestall this wrong approach, these auspicious days
sound their message and challenge:

Do not sell yourself short! Do not underestimate your
capacities and abilities!

Do not
worry

For no matter what your spiritual "stock-in-trade" is,
your "visible assets," - the external and apparent possibilities
that you have to conduct your life in accord with the teachings
of our Torah, Torath Chayyim (the Law of Life); no matter how
formidable is your strength of character and your ability to
ignore an unfriendly environment and with undaunted perseverance
to follow your path of Torah and precept -

purification

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המשך מעמוד הקודם

ולהעיר שישנם כמה הגהות שהם בכ"ק של הרבי וכמה מהם של המזכיר

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hidden Much greater and ~~more~~ copious are your "invisible assets," your "reserves" of creative powers and capacities, your veritable power-house of freedom and determination to steam-roll into active vitality that which is good and true. *and shape your life and the life around you in harmony with Truth and Goodness*

richer To discover and apply these powers, however, it is necessary that you search and release your potential forces. But you are promised: "You will ~~find~~ discover - if you will search with all your hear and soul" (Ex Deut. 4:10), and *search you will.*

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What has been said above is more especially and more fully ~~applicable~~ applicable to those who occupy positions of spiritual leadership and influence, from the Rabbi of the community down to the individual father who sets the pace of spiritual life of his household and family.

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Too How often do we see them ~~torn with indecision and doubt!~~ *shy away by* "Perhaps I am using too strong words? Perhaps I am demanding too much? Perhaps I will alienate instead of attract?" ~~And so many other ifs and buts.~~

To them these days address (themselves with) this message and challenge:

externally Search inwardly; seek, and you will unravel the innermost treasures of those whom you would lead and inspire; evaluate them not superficially, but according to their inner resources, according to the capacity of their soul, the veritable spark of G-dliness from Above, ^{in everyone} -

And a person is used that seems to him a strong word, or excessive demand, fearing that they might For with the right approach and by indefatigable effort you will be able to uncover and activate ~~these~~ ^{in everyone} inner spiritual reserves, so that they begin to animate their daily life. -

Have confidence in your fellow-Jew and give him what he, as Jew, truly expects from you: the whole Torah with all its precepts, unvarnished and untarnished, as it was given from Sinai, in its true eternity, for the Torah is eternal for all times and places.

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Only through this approach can one attain a true estimation of the self and of those who look up to you for guidance and leadership -

A true estimation that will make the next year a "full" year - full in content and achievement commensurate with your fullest resources, and thus also full of G-d's blessings, materially and spiritually.

With prayerful wishes for a happy and sweet year,

1. Cf. Tur, Orach Chayyim, beg. of par. 581.
2. Cf. Likute Torah, Vol. II, Re'eh 32b. *Desirah; Tzemaah Tz...*
3. Job 31:2, with emphasis - Tanya, beg. of ch. 2.
4. Cf. Maimonides, ~~Wikkahil~~ Hil. Gerushin, end of ch. 2:
"He ~~inwardly~~ desires to remain Jewish and desires to
fulfil all the precepts and avoid transgressions" etc.
5. Comp. Baal-Shem-Tov's doctrine, expounding the verse
"For you shall be unto Me a desirable land" (Mal. 3:12):
~~Wikkahil~~ "No one, not even the wisest of men, can
fully fathom the vast treasures buried within all Jews
who are G-d's own 'desirable land'" - from the writings
of my saintly father-in-law, quoted in Hayom Yom, p. 84.

*Every
year*

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