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7 איסטערן פארקוויי
ברוקלין, נ. י.

By the Grace of G-d
11th of Teveth, 5720
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Greeting and Blessing:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th of
Teveth, and its predecessor, with the enclosure.

I was particularly gratified to read that you have started
learning the Tanya regularly. May G-d grant that in this, as
in all matters of the Torah and Mitzvoh, you will follow the
teaching of Chanukah which we have just celebrated by lighting
the candles in steadily growing numbers, thus spreading the
light in a growing measure. Since the spiritual and material
go hand in hand together, a growing measure of the spiritual
will bring a growing measure of the material for yourself and
your family in general, and especially in connection with the
expected addition to your family. May G-d grant that your wife
completes her pregnancy and gives birth to a healthy offspring
in a happy and auspicious hour.

Hoping to hear good news from you always,

With blessing,

By *Menachem Schneerson*

The letter which you enclosed is returned herewith. You ask my
opinion about the writer of this letter. No doubt you have noted
from the contents of the letter that the writer is saying things
of an absurd nature and opposing to the Torah. Coming from one
who is supposed to have a little knowledge, it is even more
dangerous, for it is well-known that a little knowledge is often
more dangerous than none. This is why ~~the Mishna~~ tells us that
"He who misinterprets the Torah is more dangerous than he who has
no knowledge of the Torah," which is quite understandable. Un-
fortunately, we have had the experience with the family Cohen,
which is mentioned in his letter. May G-d grant that in His abund-
ant mercy He will prevent anyone getting hurt by the writer of the
enclosed letter. And although according to Jewish law, "He who
(consciously) misleads people in matters of the Torah deserves no
consideration," nevertheless, since G-d's abundant mercies are
infinite, may the said writer also benefit from them.