

A MESSAGE FROM THE REBBE

The King is in the Field

Standing in the month of Elul, we present this letter, conveying the message of Elul, written to Mrs. Ruth Benjamin of Johannesburg, South Africa

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Blessing and Greeting:

I received your correspondence, and may G-d grant the fulfillment of your heart's desires for good.

Especially as we are now in the auspicious month of Elul, as explained by the Alter Rebbe by means of the well known parable of "A King in the field." Briefly: There is a time when a king is out in the field, and then everyone has an opportunity to greet the king, approach him, and present a petition, and the king receives everyone graciously and fulfills everyone's request. So the King of Kings, the Holy One blessed be He, has set aside the month of Elul - the last month of the outgoing year - as a time of special opportunity to get closer to Him through adherence to His Torah and Mitzvoth, and He receives everyone graciously. May this be so also in regard to you and yours.

Wishing you and all yours a Kesivo vaChasimo Tovo, for a good and sweet year,

With blessing, 