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A story the Frierdiker Rebbe told,  
About when the Rebbe Rashab was 4 or 5 years old.  
In honor of his birthday he went to the Tzemach Tzedek, his Zaidy,  
But he began to weep as soon as he entered his study.

Why did Hashem appear to Avraham Avinu only,  
Why didn't Hashem appear to me?  
The Tzemach Tzedek replied that when a Tzaddik who is 99 makes a decision,  
That he needs a circumcision, he deserves that Hashem should appear to him.

There is a lesson here not only for people who are like young children spiritually,  
But the lesson is clear for educating children who are 4 & 5 literally.  
Even before the age of 6, when the obligation of Chinuch does start,  
A child has the ability to yearn for Hashem to appear to him, with all his heart.

Avraham opened the channel and paved the way for every Jew,  
To merit a revelation from Hakadosh Baruch Hu,  
By removing the layers that conceal Hashem in this world where He is hidden,  
Like a person who makes a Bris which removes a piece of skin.

So too, not only did the Rebbe Rashab open a channel of education that is new,  
Between a 4 or 5 year old and Hakadosh Baruch Hu,  
But he made it possible for every child so young,  
To be sensitive and caring to others with every action and their tongue.

We see that the Rebbe Rashab opened this door,  
Through another story that happened when he was four.  
Once while a tailor came to bring clothing that he had sown for his mother,  
The Rashab pulled out a piece of material from the pocket of the tailor.

The tailor was embarrassed and apologized a lot,  
He explained that to return the extra piece of material he forgot.  
After the tailor left his mother explained,  
Because of his actions the tailor was ashamed.

The Rebbe Rashab started crying bitterly when he heard this from his mother,  
A few weeks later he asked his father,  
How a person could correct himself for embarrassing another,  
But when his father asked him what happened he didn't want to answer.

He felt bad enough for what he did do,  
He didn't want to speak bad about the tailor too.  
From here we see that when we believe that it is a possibility,  
We can educate such young children to be sensitive and act kindly.

From all the above we see the importance of education,  
Just like for every Jewish man, putting on Tefillin is a daily obligation,  
So too parents must think for half hour each day,  
About how to inspire their children to follow in the Torah way!

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