

Chassidus is Life

A connection we must seek,
Between Parshas Ki Savo, the Parsha of the week,
And the Yom Tou of Chai Elul when we celebrate,
The birthdays of the Baal Shem Tou and the Alter Rebbe, two luminaries so great.

"When you enter," is Ki Savo's meaning,
It's not talking about when you enter the land in the beginning.
But only after the land was possessed and settled entirely,
Did the obligation to bring Bikkirim come into effect for everybody.

The definition of the word "entry,"
Is entering completely.
Our sages say that even if a small piece hasn't passed through,
The entry is not considered completely true.

Just like when a person immerses in a Mikvah to become pure,
He or she must make sure,
That every hair gets covered under the water,
In order for the immersion to be kosher.

The connection between Parshas Ki Savo and Chai Elul we now see,
Chassidus accomplished that a person should be able to enter fully,
Into the world of doing Mitzvos and Torah study,
Until it becomes his identity in every part of his body.

Just as the idea of entry consists of the general idea of entering,
And the specific details of possessing and settling.
Chai Elul, is about the Baal Shem Tou who shared Chassidus in general,
And the Alter Rebbe who shared Chabad Chassidus, the details so practical.

How we MUST serve Hashem, the Baal Shem Tou did share,
To the general idea of entering the land it does compare.
To teach us how we CAN serve Hashem was the Alter Rebbe's role.
To actually want it, own it and live it, is Chabad Chassidus's goal.

There is well known teaching,
That Chassidus prepares the world for Moshiach's coming.
Moshiach told the Baal Shem Tou that he will come without a doubt,
When the wellsprings of Chassidus will spread out.

Kabbalah does define,
Moshiach's era as a time,
When the inner light of Hashem (Pnimityus Atik) will illuminate the world brightly,
Compared to the external light of Hashem which shines currently.

Every preparation does contain,
Something similar to what it hopes to attain,
Chassidus is Torah's inner dimension,
When we learn it we get ready for the Pnimityus of Atik's revelation.

A person has two dimensions, one is inner and one is outer,
The difference is how a person is by himself and how he relates to another.
When a person is engaged outwardly, they remain separated,
When a person gets involved with his inner self, with it he becomes united.

To achieve this unity is Chassidus's goal,
It reveals his inner soul.
In all aspects of Torah and Mitzvos, Chassidus reveals the vitality of a Jew,
Becoming one with the thing that it enlivens without adding anything new.

Vitality is the soul of every part of the body,
It penetrates the place where it is completely.
Chassidus demands and shows how to reveal our inner self and vitality,
From this perspective, a Jew, Torah and Mitzvos are one entity.

This is also an explanation,
For why Chassidus is Moshiach's preparation.
Because the inner dimension of Atik will be revealed, which is so great,
Until this level, an independent world we can not negate.

When on the essence of G-dliness we zoom,
For anything outside of Hashem there is no room.
With the coming of Moshiach speedily,
The world and G-dliness will be one entity.

There are two levels of life force that spread throughout the person's body,
The first is a general vitality that enlivens all the body's limbs equally.
The second is a particular vitality,
Each limb gets what it needs to do its job properly.

The difference between the two types of vitality does compare,
To the difference between what the Baal Shem Tov and the Alter Rebbe did
share.
The Ba'al Shem Tov revealed a general vitality,
A faith that permeates the general function of every limb in the body.

The Alter Rebbe, went further,
He channeled a vitality into the character,
Of every soul's power,
Which is unique and does matter!

When you go shopping for clothing,
For your general size you go looking.
A dress can be your size it's true,
But it doesn't mean that it will look good on you.

Because you are an individual that is unique,
Maybe you look good in blue or maybe you look best in pink.
At last you find a dress that makes you shine,
A dress that you can call mine.

Chabad Chassidus celebrates your individuality,
It cares about every single Jew wherever they may be,
Use your talents and be true to who you are,
Because you are a shining star!

Chassidus Chabad isn't just a gift for Yidden generally,
It is tailor made for you and me specifically.
Chabad extends Chassidus into how we think,
It helps us in every aspect of our lives and makes sure we will never sink.

The particular vitality is seemingly,
On a lower level than the general vitality.
Because to it's individual qualities the particular vitality is limited,
But the truth is that the particular vitality is how the limb is fully activated.

Only when the Alter Rebbe did channel,
The vitality of Chassidus into the soul powers that are individual,
Did he draw down the teachings from the Baal Shem Tov's day,
In a complete way.

Between Chai Elul and Parahas Ki Savo we see the connection,
First we need "Savo, entry" a general and total immersion.
Next, we need to infuse the general vitality into the particulars of the soul,
"You shall possess it, in a settled manner is a Chabad Chassidus's goal!

