



DAILY BOOST

3 TAMMUZ

MOSHIACH: PERSON, TEACHER, AND KING

REBBE AND CHOSSID

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Today is the anniversary of the Rebbe's passing in 1994.

On the same date in 1927, the Previous Rebbe was released from prison where he was being held for his religious activities. Instead of the death sentence, he was sent into exile and then finally liberated on the 12th of Tammuz.

On the same date in 1273 BCE, Joshua miraculously stopped the sun. This gave his armies enough daylight to complete a crucial battle. The Rebbe often spoke of the connection between the Previous Rebbe's Redemption and Joshua's miracle. Perhaps we can relate these teachings to the Rebbe's passing and our own efforts to fulfill the Rebbe's lifelong goal of bringing the Final Redemption.

Then Joshua spoke..., and he said..., "Sun, stand still upon Gibeon..., " and the sun stood still... There was no day like that before it or after it, that the L-rd hearkened to the voice of a man, for the L-rd fought for Israel. (Yehoshua 10:12-14)

What is truly remarkable about this miracle is the way it was performed: Joshua did not ask G-d to stop the sun; instead, he simply told the sun to stop, and G-d fulfilled Joshua's command.

The Rebbe explained that this was possible because of Joshua's total dedication to Moshe and his complete faith that G-d would do what was necessary to grant him success. In this sense, Joshua possessed an advantage over Moshe. Moshe could not rely on a miracle and had to use his power of prayer. Joshua had simple faith in his master's merit and did not hesitate to demand miraculous success.

The Previous Rebbe taught that we must fulfill our mission with the same feeling, that this, our mission, is G-d's will, and it simply cannot be otherwise. When we approach our mission with this attitude, the Rebbe explains, we are guaranteed success, and supernatural results come about in a completely natural manner.

The Rebbe charged us all with the mission of bringing Moshiach and making the Final Redemption a reality. On this day, let us all rededicate ourselves to this cause with total devotion and with complete faith in the Rebbe's promise that G-d will help us in every way to succeed.

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