

ג' שבט

One week left until Yud Shevat

On ג' שבט 5752, 19 years ago, the Rebbe said a special Sicha. The Rebbe spoke about it being the week before Yud Shevat and now is the time to really make the proper preparations for Yud Shevat.

Then the Rebbe continued: In his last years, the Friediker Rebbe had had a stroke that made it difficult for him to speak. This affected his ability to say Chassidus, deliver maamorim and spread Yiddishkeit.

One of his doctors was perplexed by this and asked. If your job is to spread Chassidus and strengthen Yiddishkeit, how is it that Hashem made it difficult for you to speak, which affects your saying Chassidus etc.

The Rebbe compared the situation to Moshe Rabbeinu who was כבד פה וכבד לשון - "slow of speech and slow of tongue." It was through Aaron (והי' הוא יהי' לך לפה) - "He will be a mouth for you") that Moshe Rabbeinu's words came out clearly.

The Rebbe continued by saying that we have the mission to be "Aaron." It is within our power to fix up and fill the void caused by the Friediker Rebbe's lack of speech, by learning aloud his Torah and lessons.

Less than 2 months later, the Rebbe had a stroke, and from then on we have not heard the Rebbe speak. Chassidim look at this Sicha as a reference to the Rebbe himself: The key to return the Rebbe's speech once again is through emphasis on learning the Rebbe's Torah out loud.

When we learn the Rebbe's Torah with our speech, we make the time come faster when the Rebbe will speak to us again.

- **Over Shabbos, ג' שבט, be sure to learn something from the Rebbe's Torah.**
- **Remember to learn the part of Basi Legani for today (part 6) – the summary of אות ו' – on the back of this sheet.**

*Copied here are the first lines of the Maamar לגני
which is the last Maamar the Friediker Rebbe gave out, and the first Maamar that our Rebbe said.*

בְּאֵתִי לְגַנִּי אֲחֻזְתִּי כְּלָהּ, וְאֵיתָא בְּמִדְרָשׁ רַבָּה (בְּמִקְוֵמוֹ) לְגַן אֵין
כְּתִיב בְּאֵן אֵלָא לְגַנִּי לְגַנוֹנִי, לְמָקוֹם שְׁתִּי'ה עֵינֵי בְּתַחֲלָה, דְּעֵינֵי
שְׂכִינָה בְּתַחֲתוֹנִים הִיָּתָה,