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לפנינו-במה מכתבך הרבי להרב ניסן שי פאלטקין – רוד הרטן.

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Mr. Nissen Plotkin

By the Grace of G-d
30th of Tishrei, 5720
Englewood, N.J.

I should like, however, to emphasize one general point. No matter how rich it is expected of a Jew in regard to the Torah and Mitzvot, wherever he may be, a great deal is expected of him if he is in Freizl Yisroel, of which the Torah says, "It is the land on which the eyes of G-d, thy G-d, are from the beginning of the year to the end of the year." So rich, so, that it is regarded as a Holy Land even among non-Jews. Our Sages refer to it as "The Palace of the King." A person wishing to enter the Royal Palace must be prepared to answer such questions as on what business is he there, and he must be properly prepared in every way. It is demonstrated by his conduct and actions that he realizes he is in the Royal Palace. It is surely unnecessary to elaborate.

May G-d grant that you will succeed in what is your true and inner purpose in life, namely, to spread Yiddishkeit, and in an ever-growing way, and may you have good news to report always,

With blessing,

By Lubavitch

Mr. Nissen Plotkin
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Greeting and Blessing:

I received your letter of the 17th of Tishrei, in which you write about your background and activities. I was especially gratified to read about your activities to strengthen Yiddishkeit in your environment, in the field of Kashruth, etc. I am especially pleased to read on that you realize there is a great deal more to be done. For the realization that there is more to be done ought to bring forth additional forces to meet the challenge. All the more so, since everyone of us is commanded to go from strength to strength in all matters of holiness, which should be on the ascendancy. In this connection it is well to remember the saying of my father-in-law of saintly memory that at this time every Jew should consider himself in the position of a mountain climber, climbing a steep mountain. In this situation he must continue to climb or slide back for he cannot remain stationary. It is also a well-known law of physics that the rate of a falling object accelerates. The lesson is obvious.

I read with interest about the books which you read and study. I was surprised to note the absence of the Tanya and other works on Chassidus, which you no doubt could study in the original, though part of this literature is available also in English. The study of Chassidus would not only be greatly inspiring to yourself, but would also have a great influence on your work and inspiration in behalf of others. Young people not burdened by family responsibilities, and still full of youthful energy, should make the fullest use of their opportunities.

I trust that you have friends among Anash with whom you can discuss a method of learning Chassidus and what sources you should study, though I imagine you should have also a fairly good idea. But, nevertheless, many heads are better than one.

As for your question with regard to my attitude towards the Ely Land, etc., I trust you saw my reply to the question "What is a Jew?" which has been published both in Freizl Yisroel and here in America. Your particular question with regard to emigration and settling in Eretz Israel does not indicate whether it refers to yourself or is in a general way. But my answer would depend on the circumstances of each individual, for it is not possible to give a blanket advice on such an important question.

Mr. Nisan Plotkin

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18th of Sivan, 5720

I hope that since writing to me last, you have practised the injunction of our Sages that "All things of holiness should be on the ascendancy," also in your personal life, and there is nothing that stands in the way of will and determination.

Hoping to hear good news from you always,
With blessing, M. Schneerson

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Greeting and Blessing:

After the long interval, I received your letter of the 18th of Iyar. I am sure you know that that is the day of LaE B'Ch'er and that you fully realize its significance.

As for the contents of your letter and the problem of working with non-religious groups, in a way that such cooperation would not weaken the religious convictions of your own groups, etc., needless to say, it is impossible to make hard and fast rules about such cooperation that would apply to all instances. For a great deal depends on the atmosphere and circumstances of such meetings.

However, one general principle should be borne in mind according to the teachings of our Sages in the Mishna (Pirke Cvois 1:12) "While I says 'Be of the disciples of Aaron...loving the creatures and bringing them closer to the Torah.' This means that one should always practise the love of fellow-Jews, even to such who have no other merit except that they are "creatures" of G-d, as explained in the Tanya Chapter 32. At the same time, this should be coupled with the precaution that it should be for the purpose of "bringing them closer to the Torah," and not making the Torah suit to their standards. In other words, it is necessary to make certain that while trying to influence others towards a fuller appreciation of the Torah and Mitzvot, one should not be influenced in the other direction, nor make any concession. I can only suggest, therefore, that you keep this guiding principle in mind.

Precisely this year, being the 200th anniversary of the Hirschkuks of the Baal Shem Tov, which we observed on the first day of Shavuoth, has much to say on this question, since the Baal Shem Tov taught and personified what should be our aim and purpose in life. For he taught that Ahavas Yisroel means loving even the Jew who is at the other end of the world, which includes not only geographical distance but also spiritual distance. At the same time he demanded that the observance of the Torah and Mitzvot should be with animation and inner inspiration and with every possible Ridur. I trust that among your Lubavitcher acquaintances in Montreal there are some who could help you get a deeper insight into the teachings of the Baal Shem Tov and how to apply them in daily life.

In connection with the above, I trust you will find the enclosed copy of my Shavuoth message stimulating and useful.

השורה משמותה ישואין

לגביינו של שונר ורוצחן

ט' יי'בצ'ען 5770

By the Grace of G-d
18th of Sivan, 5720
Brooklyn, N. Y.

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With blessing, M. Schneerson

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B.H.
7th of Kislev, 5723
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mr. Nissen Plotkin
Kibbutz Tzfat Tzvi
Dn. Emek Beth Shean.

Shalom uBrocho:

I was please to receive your letter of the 24th of March.

It is gratifying to note that you have daily Shiurim. Although you do not mention it, I trust that your daily Shiurim include also a regular Shiur in Chassidus, for, obviously, a bi-weekly lecture in Tanya is not for a person of your standing and background, but merely an added stimulation for regular daily shiurim. I also hope that you are using your good influence in this direction, for, as I recall, you were a "mashpi'a" in Montreal, and surely continue in this capacity in your present surroundings. There is no need to emphasize to you at length the importance and need of this. No doubt you also maintain a regular contact with Tzeirei Agudas Chabad.

Approaching the auspicious days of Yud and Yud-Tes Kislev, the days of liberation of the Mitteler and Alter Rebbe, the history of which you doubtlessly know, I trust that you will observe them in an appropriate manner and derive lasting inspiration from them, to be shared with others.

Noting the good news about your wife's condition, may G-d grant her a normal and easy pregnancy and delivery of a healthy offspring in a happy and auspicious hour.

With blessing

By: *Nissen Plotkin*

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B.H.
3rd of Adar I, 5722
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Mr. Nissen Plotkin
Kibbutz Tzfat Tzvi
Dn. Emek Beth Shean

Greeting and Blessing:

Your letter of the 3rd of Tevet reached me with some delay. Needless to say, I read with interest about your present way of life in your present surroundings in the Holy Land.

You surely know of the saying of the Baal ha-Tanya and Shulchan Aruch to the effect that a Jew must live with the times, meaning, of course, the weekly portion of the Torah, and thus be up-to-date with the Torah. And as we are presently reading the portions of the Torah dealing with the construction of the Sanctuary, it should remind every Jew about his obligation to create sanctuaries for the Divine Shechinah in accordance with G-d's commandment, "Let them make me a Sanctuary that I may dwell among them," that is to say within every Jew. And in view of the fact that we are commanded to regard the Torah as new every day, we must be constantly inspired by the reading in the Torah, insomuch as every aspect of the daily life is concerned.

Hoping to hear good news from you,

With blessing,

By: *Nissen Plotkin*

Accomplished in the last few months, and years, along the lines indicated above? Have you utilized all your capacities and opportunities, not only in your immediate family, but also among friends and associates, that they be imbued with the love of G-d and the fear of G-d and live up to the Torah and Mitzvoth? For, in doing so, they would not only benefit themselves, but also all Jews, both in the diaspora and in the Holy Land. In fact, it is of vital concern for the Jews in the Holy Land — a Land that is regarded as holy even by non-Jews, and its holiness is not due to the holy graves there, but to the fact that "the eyes of G-d, thy G-d, are on it from the beginning of the year to the end of the year" — that the Jews, both in it and out, should know what this holiness is and live a holy life accordingly. Thus, the strengthening of Yiddishkeit in Canada, as elsewhere, is directly beneficial to the Holy Land.

What this "holiness" is, I surely need not amplify to you. It is plainly written in the Torah, and no commentaries are here necessary, that it was at Mount Sinai, with the giving and acceptance of the Torah, that the Jewish people became "A kingdom of priests and a holy nation," and similarly in many other sections of the Torah the concept of holiness is amply explained.

I will be glad to receive good news from you that you are indeed active along the above lines, and in an ever-growing measure, as we have been instructed "Maalin b'Kodesh."

As for my personal views on this or that movement, I do not see how this can concern the fulfilment of your duties and obligations, as mentioned above, which are surely quite clear.

Wishing you a Chasimo ugnar chasimo toivo,

With blessing

By Nissan Mindel

The enclosed copy of this year's Rosh Hashanah message will be useful to you.

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By grace of G-d
5th of Tishrei, 5729
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Shalom uBrocho:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 15th of Elul, in which you write that you are 20 years of age, orthodox, a graduate of a Yeshiva High School, and you ask my views on a certain movement, etc.

However, the essential information about yourself, your life and work, is missing in your letter. I refer to the Psak-Din of our Torah, Toras Chayim, to the effect that Jews are mutually responsible for one another. Accordingly, one's daily life is not a private affair, but it affects all other Jews. All the more so when the individual in question belongs to the young generation, full of youthful energy and rich in opportunities, especially at the stage of life when one is not yet weighed down by economic responsibilities.

It is therefore the duty of every Jew, especially of one in your position, to do everything possible to spread Yiddishkeit, i.e. the actual fulfilment of the Mitzvoth Maasiyos, in his immediate circle and wider environment; to make others aware that yiddishkeit is not something to be remembered on certain occasions, or on certain days of the year, like Shabbos and Yom Tov or the "High Holidays," but something to be lived and practised every day.

Moreover, such efforts are not only channels for receiving G-d's blessings in one's own need, but are also vital for the welfare and survival of our people as a whole, concerning which you express understandable concern.

In the light of all the above, it is not out of place to ask you: What have you — with your background and opportunities —

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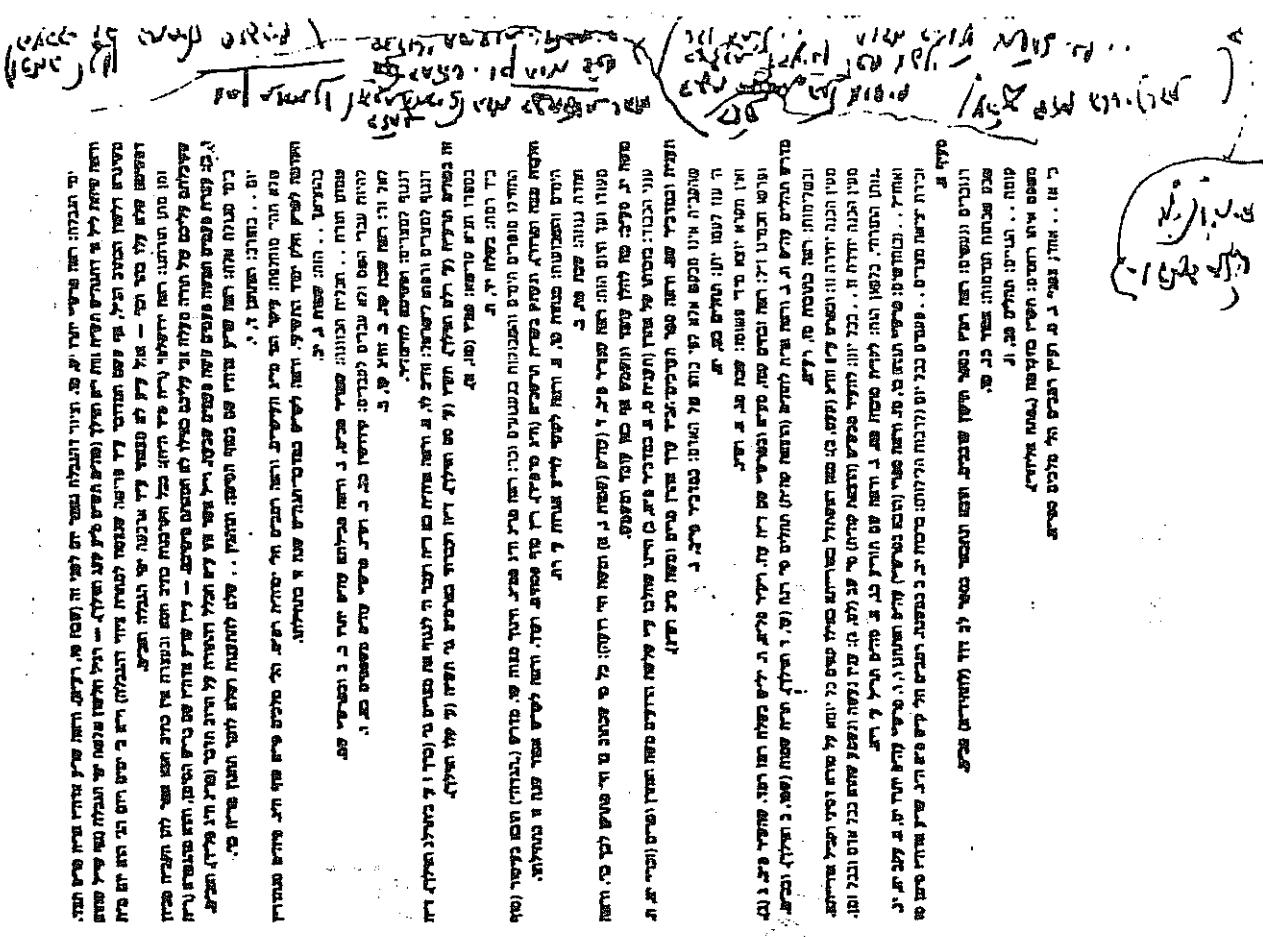
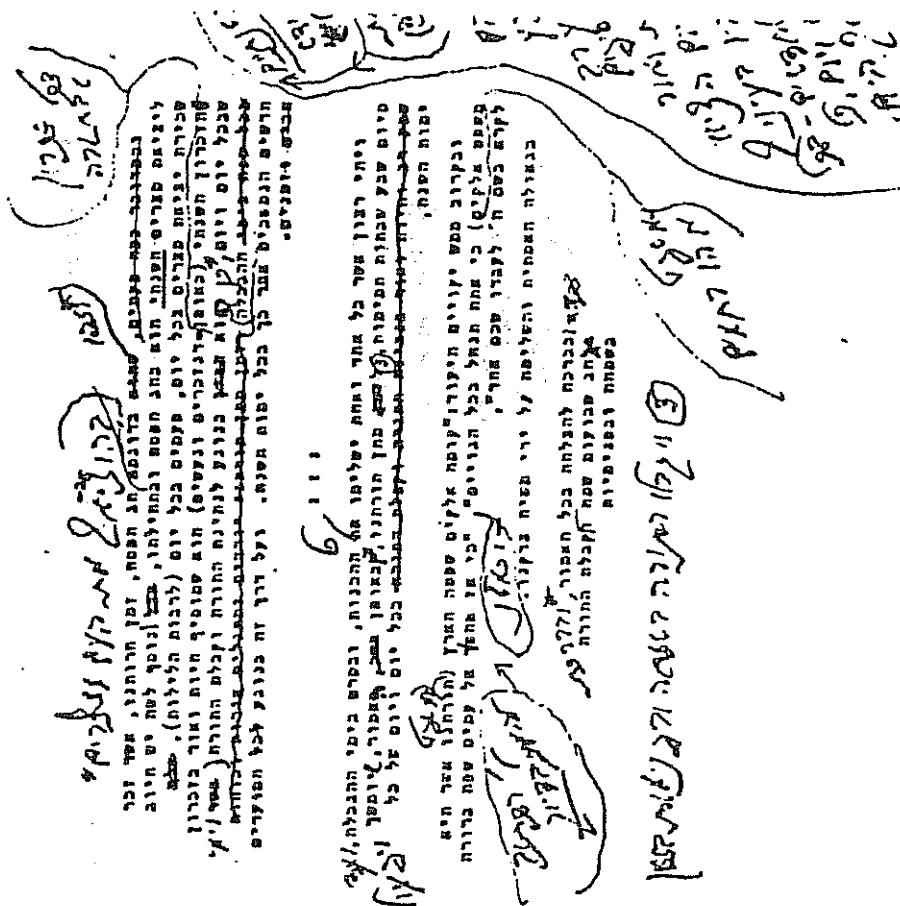
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