



אין אים לעבט נשיא דורנו!

Almost immediately after the crisis over the seforim emerged, the Rebbe began addressing the issue in public at farbrengens, explaining how all the arguments of the opposing side have no basis in fact.

What is most amazing about these sichos is that within his words, the Rebbe illuminated, in an unprecedented manner, what it means to be a truly devoted Chossid of the Rebbe, particularly in times like ours.

The following is an excerpt of a sicha during the summer of 5745:

There is a well-known “*Kol-Koreh*” issued by the [Frierdiker] Rebbe that “לאחר לתשובה, לאחר לגאולה” (immediate *Teshuvah* will bring about the immediate redemption). The meaning of “לאחר” is to be taken literally: immediately in a very literal sense.

Now, the *Yetzer Hora* (who is referred to as the “*Kluginker*” - the “wise-guy”) may come with an objection: This “*Kol Koreh*” was issued by the [Frierdiker] Rebbe many years ago; since then, some forty-two or forty-three have passed. Who is to say that things will not continue in this manner in the future as well?

However, it is quite obvious that arguing with the *Yetzer Hora* is a waste of time. The *Yetzer Hora* is referred to as a “מלך זקן וכסיל” — an old and foolish king. It would be no use to argue with him, or with anyone who speaks his words, attempting to doubt the words of the [Frierdiker] Rebbe that the *Geula* is coming now, and that “לאחר” is to be taken in a literal sense.

The [Frierdiker] Rebbe’s words stand true today as

ever, for he clearly printed and published these words in a publication by “*Agudas Chassidei Chabad*,” an organization active until this very day. It did not cease to exist in 5710 [with the Frierdiker Rebbe’s *Histalkus*], for just as his children are alive, so, too he is alive!

Especially, for those individuals who do not need these explanations [about how the Frierdiker Rebbe still lives], for they feel it within themselves. They feel that the [Frierdiker] Rebbe is with them, whether by way of a dream, or by seeing extraordinary success in business, or in other manners.

Others may feel the [Frierdiker] Rebbe’s presence due to the fact that one day, in the midst of nowhere, they feel a sudden arousal to *Teshuvah* (“הרהור תשובה”) when they happen to be occupied with something else, totally unrelated.

From where would a thought about *Teshuvah* emerge, seemingly in the midst of nowhere? Why would it enter only his mind and not someone else’s? Very simple: because the [Frierdiker] Rebbe, *Nessi Doreinu*, is alive and lives within him! ■