

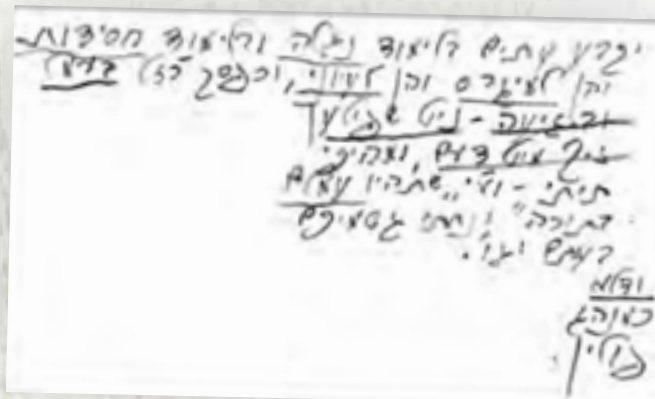


כתב יד קודש

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 הרה"ת ר' שלום דובער ע"ה
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 נלב"ע ח"י חשון ה'תשע"ד
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It's Up To You!

The Rebbe's advice to someone seeking blessings in his life. Presented in honor of Shavuot, Z'man Matan Toraseinu:



Establish fixed times for the study of *nigleh* and *Chassidus*, on both **faster** and more **in-depth** study-tracks. As *Chazal* ruled: It should be done with diligence and toil—do not play around with this, wavering in your commitment. By [doing so and fulfilling the adage] “you will toil in Torah study,” [you will in turn merit to have] “I will give you your rain in its proper time”¹ [i.e. blessings for *parnasa* etc.]. **Not** like the common practice in Poland.²

יקבע עתים בלימוד נגלה ובלימוד חסידות והן למיגרס והן לעיוני, וכפסק רז"ל בעמל וביגיעה - ניט שפילען זיך מיט דעם, ומהיכי תיתי - וע"י שתהיו עמלים בתורה ונתתי גשמיכם בעתם וגו'. ודלא כמנהג פולין.

1. Bechukosai 26:3. Rashi ibid.
 2. Though we don't know for certain, it seems that the Rebbe is referring to the prevailing attitude of Polish Chassidic circles, following the dictum of “*Tzaddik bemunaso yechayeh*”—that by connecting with a *tzaddik* one can receive all the necessary blessings. Chabad, on the other hand, demands that each individual toil with his own *avoda*, not relying solely on the Rebbe's *brachos*.