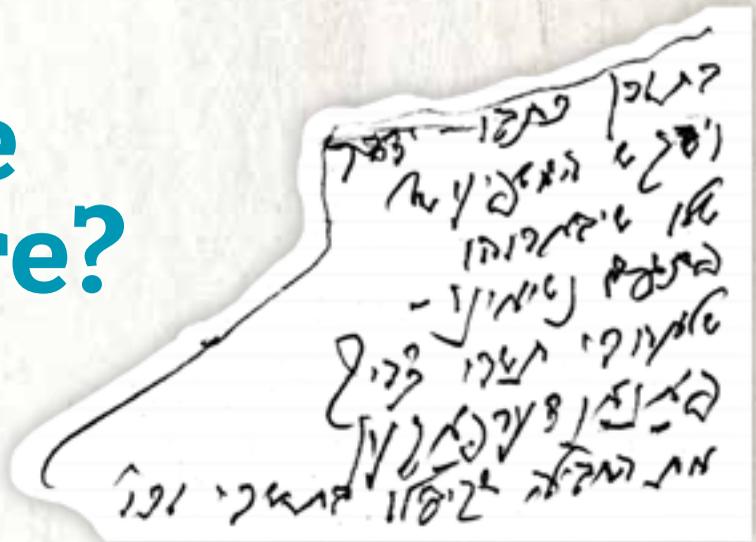




כתב יד קודש

To Where From Here?

This *ksav yad kodesh* was written by the Rebbe in response to a *bochur* who spent Tishrei with the Rebbe, and at the end of the month, he wrote to the Rebbe asking for guidance as to how to continue growing in *avodas Hashem*.



בתוכן כתבו - ידבר ויבקש המושפיע ש"י שלו שיבארוהו פתגם נשיאינו - שלאחרי תשרי צריך פאנאנדערפאקען את החבילה שקיבלו בתשרי וכו'.
...Regarding what you write - you should speak with your *mashpia* and ask him to explain to you the phrase from our Rabbeim—that after Tishrei, one must unpack the “bundle” [i.e. spiritual *hashpa'a*] that one received during Tishrei, etc.



For the sake of clarity, we quote the Frieddiker Rebbe’s *sicha* from Leil Simchas Torah, 5709:
We once explained that on Simchas Torah, one must begin unpacking the bundles [of merchandise] he bought.

Simchas Torah is the culmination of the avoda of the months of Elul and Tishrei; [their energy] can be deeply felt during Shemini Atzeres and Simchas Torah.

This is similar to a merchant who travels to a fair, shelling out all his money, and pawning [his belongings] for borrowed money, in order to buy as much merchandise as possible. Later, when he returns home, he unpacks his bags and spreads out the merchandise to examine what he bought.

Similarly: during Elul, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkos, we “bought” lots of “merchandise”. On Simchas Torah, we must begin “unpacking.” But we need to account for how well we did with last year’s merchandise; is it justifiable to buy more now? What do we have to show for ourselves...?

For further explanation of this concept, see the Rebbe’s letter in *Igros Kodesh* vol. 4 p. 18; *Likutei Sichos* vol. 25 p. 299, et. al.