



לזכות משפחת **לברטוב** שלוחי כ"ק אדמו"ר **בסנטא פיי, ניו מקסיקו** להצלחה רבה במילוי שליחותם

## Double Portion

This ksav yad kodesh is the Rebbe's response to a group of bochurim who were out on Merkos shlichus and therefore missed a distribution of dollars from the Rebbe, on Tisha B'Av 5732:



[In answer] to the Shluchim shlita, who asked, "Why should we lose out?" (from receiving the dollar on Tisha B'Av etc.)

- a. This situation is similar to what Chazal say (in [the Mishna of] Yoma 7:2), "He who sees... Does not see..." [i.e. one is not able to be at all places at the same time].
- b. On the contrary, [one] on shlichus receives a double-portion—two dollars.

להשלוחים שליט"א שטענו למה נגרע (בקשר להשקל דת"ב וכו')

א) הנ"ל הוא ע"ד מחז"ל (יומא פ"ז מ"ב) הרואה כו' אינו רואה כו'.

ב) אדרבא בהשליחות כפליים -שני שקלים.

## **EXPLANATION OF THE REBBE'S ANSWER**

In the 5730s, the Rebbe led a strong campaign to correct the "Law of Return" in Eretz Yisrael, which is applicable to all Jews, to only consider גיור כהלכה as acceptable means of conversion to Judaism.

Before Tisha B'Av 5732, the Rebbe requested that everyone should visit various shuls, either on the day of Tisha B'Av or on the following Shabbos, and speak about the importance of this campaign, with a list of practical instructions about what each person can do to help. (See letter in Igros Kodesh vol. 27 p. 472.)

On Tisha B'Av in the morning, the Rebbe asked the *gabbai* to announce that he would soon distribute dollars to all those who were ready to go out and speak in the shuls.

Indeed, at 2:00 pm on Tisha B'Av afternoon, the Rebbe handed out dollars at the door of his room, along with copies of a letter about Mihu Yehudi (printed in Igros Kodesh ibid. p. 470), wishing each one the words of the possuk.

A group of bochurim who were on Merkos shlichus wrote to the Rebbe that although they too fulfilled the Rebbe's *horaa* and spoke at their local shuls, they felt dejected for not having received the Rebbe's dollar.

In response, the Rebbe references the Mishna in Yoma about the Kohen Gadol's avoda on Yom Kippur.

The Mishna states:

הרואה כהן גדול כשהוא קורא - אינו רואה פר ושעיר הנשרפין .. ולא מפני שאינו רשאי, אלא שהיתה דרך רחוקה, ומלאכת שניהן שוה כאחת.

One who sees the Kohen Gadol reading [the Torah in the ezras nashim] does not see the cow and goat being burned [outside the city of Yerushalayim]. Not because it is prohibited, but because it was a far distance [between the two events], and both were performed at the same time.

Additionally, before embarking on Merkos shlichus, each *bochur* received two dollars from the Rebbe (through the *mazkirus*). This symbolizes, says the Rebbe, that being out on shlichus is even greater.

(Igros Kodesh vol. 27 p. 481)