



## MOSHE RABBEINU: SHECHINA TO THE WORLD

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The date of Moshe Rabbeinu's birthday—Zayin Adar—is a day that perfectly describes and sums up Moshe's life.

The seventh day in Adar represents a complete cycle within the month of Adar. The world was created in seven days, and continues to run in cycles of seven days. Therefore, a seven-day period symbolizes the entirety of creation—the world.

The name of the month—Adar—is comprised of the letter *Alef* and the word *dar* — to dwell. *Alef* represents Hashem, who is the *aluf*—ruler—of the world. Zayin Adar—seven days into Adar—symbolizes the *Alef*—Hashem—dwelling in this world, which was created in seven days.

Indeed, as soon as Moshe was born, he brought G-dliness into the world; as Chazal tell us, “When Moshe was born, the entire house was filled with light;” the world was filled with G-dliness.

Moshe's entire life followed the theme of bringing G-dliness into the world. We know that before Moshe's time, the *Shechina* had ascended to the seventh heaven, after a succession of seven sins. It was through the work of seven *tzaddikim* that it was brought back down. The final one was Moshe, who is the seventh, and “All seventh ones are precious”—he brought it to this world with the building of the *Mishkan*.

*(Sefer Hasichos vol. 2, p. 305)*