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KIDDUSH LEVANA

It is Motzei Shabbos, shortly after Maariv. The Rebbe washed his hands and left 770 with his *siddur* to the Eastern Parkway service road for Kiddush Levana.

The Rebbe was generally careful to say Kiddush Levana on Motzei Shabbos (even if it was many days after the earliest opportunity in the month to say the *bracha*), and that it should be done in the presence of a *minyán*.





6 CHESHVAN 5740, LEVI FREIDIN VIA JEM 195206



10 TISHREI 5737, LEVI FREIDIN VIA JEM 204423



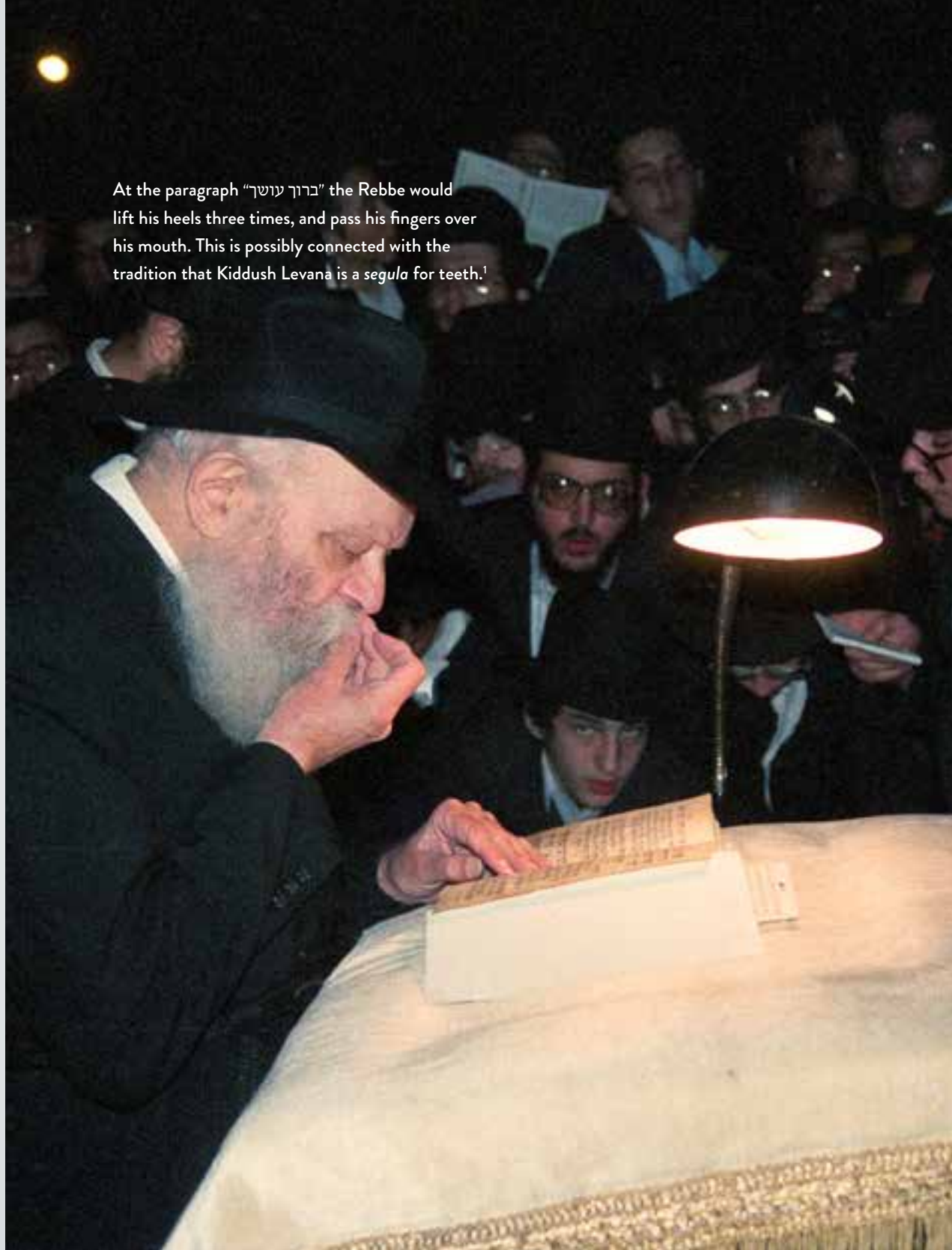
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Before starting, the Rebbe would look up at the moon. After saying “הללוי-ה,” before the *bracha*, the Rebbe would again look up at the moon.

For many years, the Rebbe would stand holding his *siddur* in his hands for Kiddush Levana. Only beginning in 5743* were a *shtender* and lamp set up in advance.



At the paragraph “ברוך עושך” the Rebbe would lift his heels three times, and pass his fingers over his mouth. This is possibly connected with the tradition that Kiddush Levana is a *segula* for teeth.¹



11 TISHREI 5749, LEVI FREDIN VIA JEM 255417

1. See Igros Kodesh vol. 11 p. 150.

For “*Shalom Aleichem*,” the Rebbe would turn to the *mazkirim* and *mashbakim* standing nearby. The Rebbe would first turn to his right, then to his left, and then again to his right.

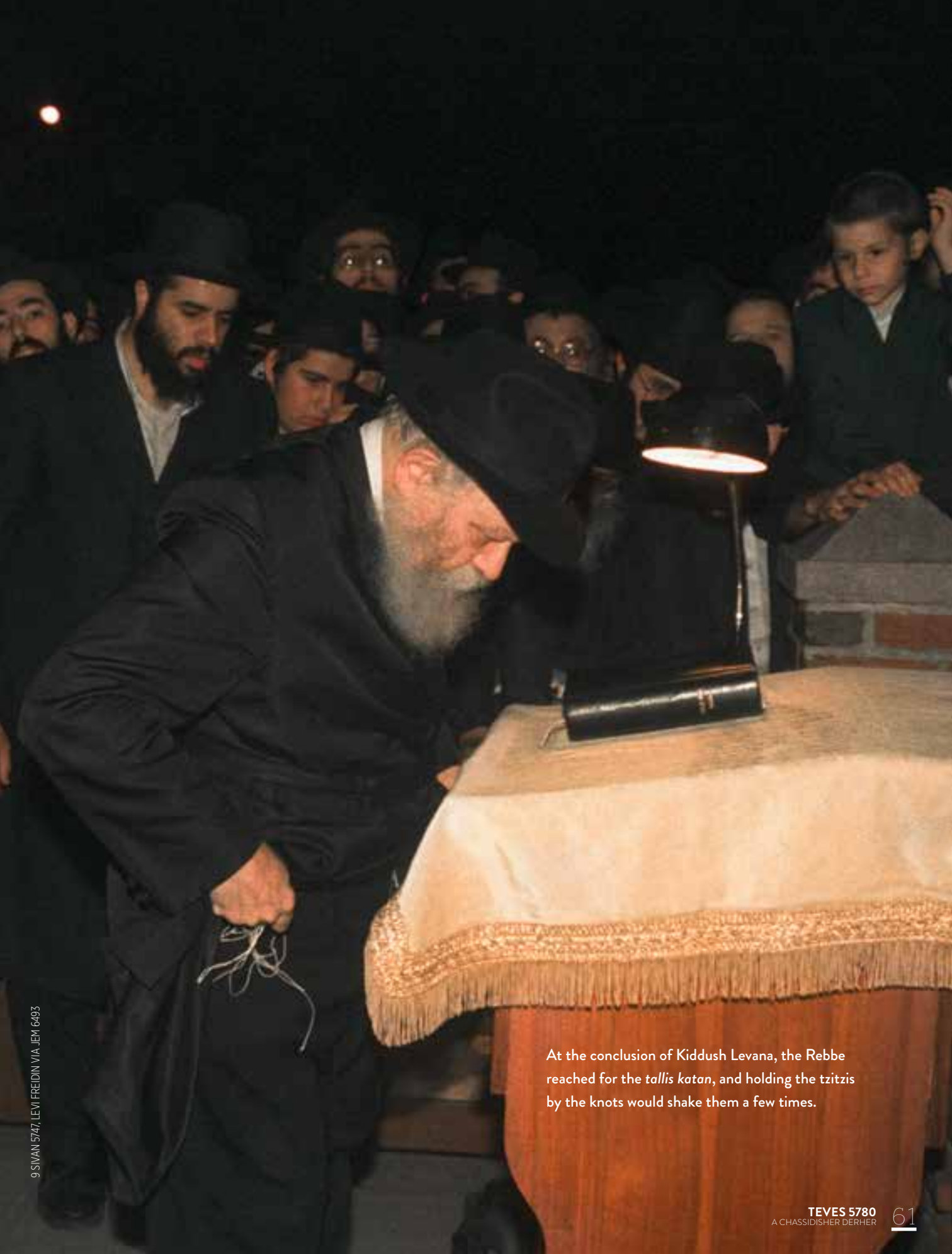


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8 CHESHVAN 5748, LEVI FREIDIN VIA JEM 20230

The Rebbe recited עילינו at the conclusion of Kiddush Levana.



At the conclusion of Kiddush Levana, the Rebbe reached for the *tallis katan*, and holding the *tzitzis* by the knots would shake them a few times.



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11 TISHREI 5748, LEVI FREIDIN VIA JEM 14971

Returning to 770, the Rebbe would wish those nearby “A gut voch” (if it was Motzei Shabbos) and “A gut chodesh.”