

PART 1 - Chaburos 1-13

ACQUIRE A POSITIVE PERSPECTIVE ON CREATION

Hashkafa Question 1:

What is the Purpose for Creation of the World?

1) The Reason for Hashem Creating the World - according to our understanding - was that Hashem Wants to Give the created beings (i.e. you and me) the Greatest Level of Good possible. Since that Greatest Level of Good is found only within Him, the only way we can receive it is to "Become One" with Him.

Mekoros: 1 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 1 - 2 - 3

2) The Reason for us having to come to *this* world - is that in order "Become One" with Hashem so that we can receive the Greatest Level of Good, we need to *do something* for Hashem. Only by us becoming "Givers" to Hashem, can we then be similar to Him and truly "Become One" with Him.

Mekoros: 6 - 7 - 8 - 9 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 4 - 5 - 6

3) The specific task we do for Hashem in this world is to reveal that His Presence is even here - by doing such actions that show that we ourselves know for sure that Hashem's Presence is here. We reveal

Hashem's Presence based upon our grasp of Him on "Level 2"- the Level that He Created for us to be able to relate to Him through; since on "Level 1"- the Level of His Ultimate Existence - we have no grasp of Him whatsoever.

Mekoros 10 - 11 - 12 - 13 - 14 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 7 - 8 - 9 - 10

4) The additional reasons given for Creation of the World are all referring to the point of "Retzono Yisbarach" and below (i.e. the highest point of "Level 2"). The only reason given – for our understanding – that applies to "Level 1" – is that Hashem Created the World to Give the Greatest Level of Good to the created beings, as is stated explicitly in the Ramchal, and drawn from Kisvei Ha'Ari z"l.

The knowledge of this reason as being the main reason for Creation, awards a person a positive perspective on life and infuses him with tremendously positive motivation and energy to worship Hashem.

Mekoros: 15 - 16 - 17.1 - 17.2 - 17.3 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 11-12-13

PART 2 – Chaburos 14-15

**YEARN TO BUILD THE MOST POSITIVE AND MUTUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
CREATOR OF THE WORLD THAT YOU CAN**

Hashkafa Question 2:

How do we “Become One” with Hashem?

5) The specific way that we “Become One” with Hashem, is in the form of a “Relationship”. Hashem Gives us the opportunity to build a Positive and Mutual relationship with Him, whereby we give to Him and He Gives to us. Our goal throughout life is to build this Relationship to the Strongest and Closest Level possible. We give to him Naches through the actions we do for Him – to reveal that His Presence is here in this world, and He Gives to us through the Permissible Physical Pleasures, that we experience consistently every day of our lives.

Mekoros: 18 - 19 clarified B’ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 14 - 15

PART 3 – Chaburos 16-22

**THINK ABOUT YOUR CONNECTION TO HASHEM WHILE PARTAKING OF THE
PERMISSIBLE PHYSICAL PLEASURES**

Hashkafa Question 3:

**What is it that Hashem Gives to us in this Positive,
Mutual Relationship?**

6) From the time of Creation, Hashem has spread within every physical experience throughout the entire world, Permissible Pleasures. They are called in Sifrei Kodesh “Nitzotzos” of Kedusha, and are infinitesimal “pieces” of His Infinity, that we experience as the positive “taste” that is within every physical experience. Even our Needs and Satisfactions in life - that everyone seeks to fill every day of their lives - all revolve around the goal of us experiencing the “Nitzotzos” of Kedusha.

**Mekoros: 20 - 21 - 22 - 23 - 24 clarified B’ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 16 -
17 - 18 - 19**

7) In order to build our Positive and Mutual Relationship with the Creator of the World to its Greatest Level, we need to think about Hashem during that time that we experience these permissible physical pleasures. “Pleasure” is actually the highest level of experience that we can sense of Hashem’s Reality, and is the Source Factor that

every created being is motivated and drawn to. By training ourselves again and again as we go through a physical permissible pleasure to think that this pleasure that I am experiencing is Really an infinitesimal experience of Hashem's Infinite Good - or to "picture" the letters of Hashem's Name in our mind as we go through the physical experience - we come to arouse actual feelings of positivity and love for Hashem and we can then build the Positive and Mutual Relationship with the Creator of the World to its Greatest Level.

Mekoros: 25 - 26 - 27 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 20 - 21 - 22

PART 4 – Chaburos 23-30

**STRIVE TO USE ALL YOUR INNATE TALENTS AND ABILITIES IN SUCH A WAY
THAT OTHERS CAN BENEFIT FROM**

Hashkafa Question 4:

**What is it that we give to Hashem in in this Positive,
Mutual Relationship?**

8) The greatest level that we can give back to Hashem in the Mutual Relationship, is to reconnect to Him the greatest of the “Nitzotzos Hakedusha” in our lives – our own Neshama itself. By each of us revealing our own unique Shoresh Neshama – that expresses itself in this world through our unique inborn talents and abilities – we then give to Hashem by revealing His Presence in the world through the specific portion of G-dly Traits that we are each gifted with.

**Mekoros: 28 - 29 - 30 - 31 - 32 - 33 - 34 clarified B'ezras Hashem in
Chaburos: 23 - 24 - 25 - 26 - 27 - 28 - 29 - 30**

PART 5 – Chaburos 31-36

CONSTANTLY FOCUS ON DOING SUCH ACTS THAT ARE BALANCED ACCORDING TO THE REALITY OF THE SITUATION THAT COMES YOUR WAY

Up till now everything has been relatively easy to do: Change to a Positive Perspective on Creation; Build a Positive Relationship with Hashem; Experience the Pleasures He gives us in life by keeping Him in mind; Actualize the Innate traits of yourself (which comes naturally to a person). So...

Hashkafa Question 5:

What's the hard part and the "Avodah" that we actually do for Hashem throughout our lives?

9) The work - "Avodah" - that we need to do for Hashem in this world is "Tikun Hamiddos". We need to "fix" the Traits of Hashem that are reflected through us, which are initially "broken" – because our natural tendencies will always pull us to do actions that are *not* balanced. The way "fix" our traits, is by constantly training ourselves to do such actions that *are* balanced according to the specific situation we're in. Through practicing those actions time and time again, we come to a point where we actually desire, even internally, to do only such acts that are balanced.

Mekoros: 35 - 36 - 37 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 31 - 32 - 33

10) This is the hidden message behind all the Mitzvos of the Torah. When we live in a way that we constantly maintain balance in every situation in our lives, it is recognized as something beautiful in

the eyes of all the nations of the world, and we reveal Hashem's Unity in the World to the greatest extent. This is the task that we were sent down to this world to do, and when we can give over the message of Hashem's Presence in this world in a Positive way, we have then "done something" for Hashem, and we can then go on to experience the Closest Relationship with Him possible, and to then receive from that Greatest Level of Good that He always Wanted to Give us from the beginning of Creation.

Mekoros: 38 - 39 - 40 clarified B'ezras Hashem in Chaburos: 34 - 35 - 36