

JEW'S HAVE FAITH ONLY IN HASHEM

BULLETIN 30

BE STRONG! EVEN AGAINST YOUR RABBI

And even if everybody ridicules him and shame him and say things to cause him anguish and remind him of his evil deeds, he should not abandon his piety because of the jesters, and he should think that this will constitute a great merit for him and it will be considered for him as Tzeddaka from being ashamed, and through this the Fear of G-d which is pure enters his heart and purifies his heart and body of all evil things, and he is helped from heaven to strengthen his fear of G-d and arrange things for him to do a complete Teshuvah. (Sefer Chassidim, Siman 7)

When a man comes to purify himself, he is helped from heaven and is given a Holy soul (The Holy Zohar, Noach 62)

According to the effort so is the reward, and all his troubles cause him to have a greater reward (Bava Kamma 38)

If a Rabbi of a congregation is liked by his congregants (It is not so because they are so good but rather) it is a sign that he does not admonish them on matters pertaining to heaven (Ketuvot 105)

DID YOU NOTICE THAT THE FURTHER PEOPLE ARE FROM THE TRUTH THE MORE THEY CONSIDER SOMEONE WHO TURNS AWAY FROM EVIL TO BE A FOOL? REBBE NACHMAN, SEFER HA MIDDOT, EMET

MAYBE YOU NEVER HEARD YOUR RABBI TALKING ABOUT THESE THINGS FOR IT NOT MAY BE IN HIS INTEREST TO TELL YOU. SO EVEN IF YOUR RABBI RIDICULES YOU FOR KEEPING THE SHULCHAN ARUCH YOU SHOULD BE STRONG AND GO AHEAD FOR IT MAY BE THAT YOUR RABBI BELONGS TO THE EREV RAV AND HE JUST DOES NOT WANT YOU TO KEEP THE TORAH AS IT SHOULD BE FOR MAYBE HE WOULD BE EXPOSED AS A FAKE IN THE EYES OF THE OTHER CONGREGANTS WHEN THEY SEE THAT A COMMON PERSON KEEPS THE SHULCHAN ARUCH TO A GREATER EXTENT THAN THE RABBI. AND WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT PIOUS PRACTICES BUT WE ARE TALKING HERE ABOUT KEEPING THE SHULCHAN ARUCH, SPECIFICALLY CONCERNING THOSE AREAS WHERE THE RELIGIOUS LEADERS OF OUR TIME ARE LAX ABOUT. FOR EXAMPLE, TALKING IN THE SYNAGOGUE IN THE MIDDLE OF PRAYERS, DURING THE KADDISH, GOING TO TORAH LESSONS WHERE THE RABBI TALKS TO MEN AND WOMEN WITHOUT A MECHITZA, HAVING A DEFICIENT MECHITZA IN SHUL, LOOKING AT WOMEN WHICH IS SOMETHING FORBIDDEN, ETC