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# BS"D Parashat Vayera 5786

According to Kabbala, Eretz Yisrael is positioned directly under the Throne of Glory in the Shamayim. Is it da'at Torah to leave the holy land (sanctified by HaShem for keeping the Torah) to avoid military draft?



# BS"D Sukkot 5786

Pirkei Avot 5:1, "By ten divine utterances was the world created."

The expression "utterances" implies that HaShem made His voice heard. How does HaShem's voice sound?



# BS"D Parashat Netzavim 5785 - Rosh HaShana 5786

There is a popular slogan in Israel  $\cite{thm} \cite{thm} \cite{thm} \cite{thm}$  that translates as: TOGETHER WE SHALL BE VICTORIOUS. What determines the degree of our victory?



#### BS"D Parashat Ki Tavo 5785

We are in the midst of a kaleidoscope of events. Before we can decipher the implications of yesterday's tragic event, the next one comes to expropriate our attention. Leading up to the Days of Awe, the current event that is, in my opinion, most relevant to many Jews is WAR.



## BS"D Parashat Ki Tai'tzai 5785

Tell me who your enemies are, and I will tell you who you are. Throughout the centuries of our galut, Yerushalayim was ruled over by powerful, influential kings. I don't see any reason to worry about today's "influential" kings. We are forever governed by the King of Kings.



#### BS"D Parashat Aikev 5785

It's beyond comprehension! In the wake of the Shemini Atzeret atrocities, the original sin of our government was to negotiate with Hamas. This sin erroneously acknowledged their status as human beings; when, in fact and in Halacha, they became the living dead.



# 9 Days Inspiration

Stories about life in Israel from before the establishment of the State up to present day, with reflections on miraculous growth, spiritual achievements, and national resilience. Video and transcript of the conversation between Rabbi Nachman Kahana and Rabbi Avi Berman, OU Israel's Executive Director.



## BS"D Parashiot Matot-Masei 5785

Today we have an empirical case of the "irresistible force meets an immovable object" theory. Additionally, I cannot determine if it is old age or the penetrating introspection that comes in the nine days that direct me to think out of the box; but here I am pondering three issues...



## BS"D Parashat Balak 5785

Because of the ongoing political-military-religious fireworks our concentration becomes distorted, and we are often oblivious to that factor which is closest to us, namely — ourselves. It's important to take time out to think.



#### BS"D Parashat Korach 5785

In the minds of most observers, the Arab — Israeli "conflict" is perceived to be a manifestation of an unresolved political conflict over land, resources, security, and national identity, marked by periods of conventional warfare and ongoing asymmetric violence. They are wrong!



## BS"D Parashat Behaalotecha 5785

First names often play a dominant role in shaping our identities, relationships, and interactions with the world. This week's topics are the spiritual aspect of naming a child, and love.



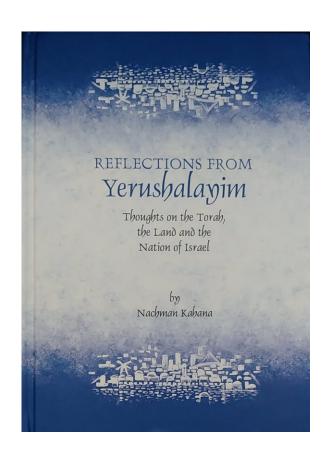
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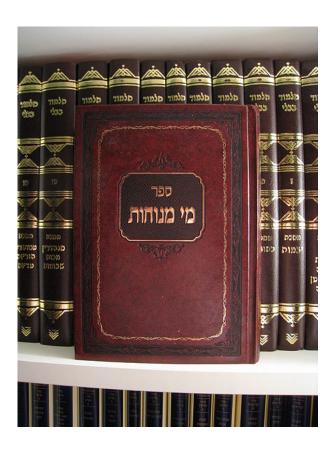
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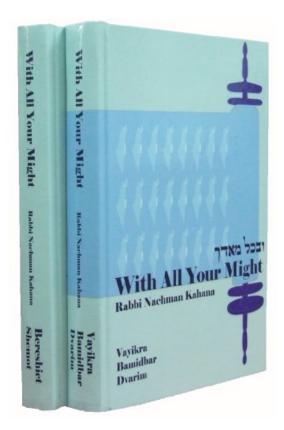
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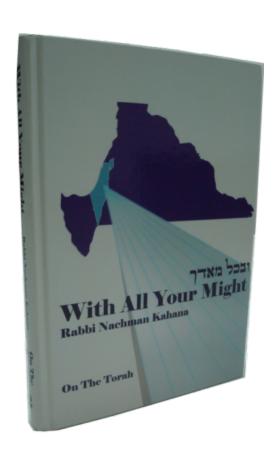
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#### On the Torah

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