

BS`D
THE STUDY OF THE ZOHAR
HA KADDOSH
BULLETIN 11

“Because of this work, the Book of the Zohar, [the Jews]
will be redeemed from exile” Zohar ha Kaddosh (3, 124b)

RABBI MOSHE CORDOVERO EXPLAINS WHY
THE ZOHAR HA KADDOSH IS LIKE NOACH'S
ARK: IT IS THE ONLY WAY TO SURVIVE THE
GALUT, AND ONLY TZADDIKIM CAN ENTER
AND RESHAIM ARE EXPELLED

This work is like Noach's ark (Tikkune Zohar Chadash 72) the meaning is this: That this work called Sefer ha Zohar is like Noach's Ark, in which there were many species, and there was no chance of survival to those species and all families unless they entered the Ark, it is just the same regarding the Galut... because through the Galut all the Tzaddikim become damaged, and the darkening of their illumination is more bitter than death, and in order to maintain themselves, so that the Galut will not rule over them, they have the secret of this work just like Noach's ark, to repair the damage of the blow of the Galut and the waters of the flood that darken.., And then the light of the Shechina will shine somewhat and enclothe the Tzaddikim, Therefore the Tzaddikim will enter the light of this work in order to be maintained.

And thus the Segulah of this work lies in the fact that as soon as one occupies himself with it with desire, the love for Hashem will penetrate him as the rock shatters iron, and will penetrate in him in order to save his Nefesh his Ruach and his Neshama and will repair him. And even if the person is a RASHA [Evildoer] there is nothing to worry if he enters [Studying the Zohar] for his entering is not really so. For one of two things will happen: Or that he will return in Teshuvah and will be a Tzaddik and will enter there, or it will push him away completely and he will separate himself from it, just as it happened regarding Noach's ark which pushed away the Reshaim and those who had sinned among the beasts and the cattle.

Or Yakar le Rabbi Moshe Cordovero Shaar Alef Siman 8

It is true and accepted that regarding he who knows nothing, the language of the Zohar is a Segula to purify the Neshama, nevertheless, this applies to one whose understanding is limited and can not comprehend, but regarding someone who Hashem has given him understanding in the revealed parts of the Torah, surely Hashem will help him in order to also understand the sweetness of the hidden wisdom

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