

## ***THE LEADERS WHO SAY THEY WANT TO BRING THE REDEMPTION ARE THE ONES WHO DELAY THE REDEMPTION***

### **OUR HOPE SHOULD NOT LIE ON GREAT MEN BUT ON SIMPLE JEWS**

And we should not rely and hope for the great men to bring us the Redeemer with their merits and prayers because The One who looks into the hearts is The One who knows the greatness of a person and not the one who looks into the eyes. But every single Jew, even if he is not great in Torah or learning in general must fight for our Father in heaven, that He will rule over the earth and to fight for our land the heritage of our fathers, with the Mitzvot that he performs and to concentrate on every Mitzvah only on rescuing the Holy One Blessed be He and His Shechina from exile (KUDSHA BERICH CHU U SHCHINTE MIN HA GALUT). And to rescue G-d will be all his intention because it is written in the Shulchan Aruch (Yore Deah) that the rescuing of captives takes precedence from all other acts of righteousness, and it is forbidden to waste even a minute from this pursuit and if this is the law regarding a man towards another, how much more must we do this to rescue a nation and his G-d which is the main form of rescuing captives. And let no man say in his heart: "What am I and what is my measure, so that there should be strength in my Mitzvot to accomplish something like this?" Because by having the proper intention the Mitzvah acquires a great measure and great strength, if the person will concentrate to rescue the Holy One blessed be He and His Shechina from exile. Through this the year of our redemption will speedily come and we will build Zion and all the cities of Yehuda and the land of Israel, and the Honor of G-d will dwell in Yerushalaim that the Holy one will establish.

### **EVERY RABBI WANTS TO RULE OVER THE OTHERS**

A short time after he (The Rabbi mi Lublin) cried and said that he saw with his Ruach ha Kodesh that an accusation came forth from heaven to tell them [angels] to refrain from fighting for us because again the final redemption would be delayed due to the sin of the leaders of our time because everyone says "I will rule" (Divre Torah from the Holy Rabbi of Munkatch a, 15)

### **THE EVIL INCLINATION CONCENTRATES ON THE LEADERS OF OUR NATION**

In the holy book Toldot Yakov Joseph (Parshat Nasso) written by Rav Yaakov Joseph of Polnoye, of blessed memory, says that now in the years of the coming of Mashiach the evil inclination concentrates on the leaders and Rabbis and not on each individual, because if the leaders fall into the net of the evil inclination thereby straying from the right path, then they will bring down with them the masses that follow those leaders.

***"The Erev Rav delay the redemption much more than all the nations of the World" (Raaya Mehemna-Sefer Ha Zohar)***