



## TORAS EZRA

Parshas Korach

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**Parshas Korach****By N Wieder**

Rashi says that Korach assembled 250 men and dressed them in cloaks of Techeiles. They came to Moshe and asked him if such a cloak requires Tzitzis or not. When Moshe rejected this question they scorned his logic, seeing that a normal cloak requires only 1 thread of Techeiles to exempt it from Tzitzis.

R' Moshe Feinstein: Korach's argument seems valid. Techeiles is required because the blue wool represents the sea, the sea represents the sky and the sky represents the 'Throne of Glory'. If so, such a cloak full of techeiles would surely achieve the same results, remembering the throne of glory?

Korach was wrong in the following way: Understanding of the 'Throne of Glory' should only come about after intense study and maturity. When one is young, he understands little but as he grows older, one's understanding develops. The Jews in the midbar reached a very high level of spirituality. However, this wasn't as a result of intense study, rather they arrived at it through miracles they witnessed. As a result, they only believed in what they witnessed. This is why the spies thought that though Hashem could destroy Paraoth and Egypt, he could not destroy the 31 kings in Canaan.

For this reason, a garment completely made out of Techeiles doesn't accomplish the true purpose of Tzitzis. Remembering the 'Throne of Glory' can only be done step by step, learning a little by little to ascend the ladder of faith. Therefore, from 1 thread of Techeiles we ascend gradually in our understanding, remembering the sea, then the sky, then the Throne of Glory. This process cannot be accomplished by a sudden burst of knowledge in attempt to understand things without toil and effort.

**Some reasons to say Passuk of one's initials at end of Shemona Esrei:**

1. After 120, when one is called to the heavenly judgement, one would be so struck with fear that he would forget his own name! We say our name everyday day in a Passuk form so that it would be ingrained in our memory.
2. "In each soul there is a part of Hashem". Mentioning our name implies our wish to associate our name with Hashem.

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Mincha @ 8.20pm followed by learning,  
Shalosh Seudas & Shiur with Guest  
Speaker. Ends with Maariv.

**Junior Girls, GG****Yrs 2-5 @ PAI House, 5- 6 pm***Meeting 4.45pm and 6.15pm at Ravenscroft and Shirehall***Yr 6 @ 84 Bell Lane, 5-6pm****Edgware Girls****Junior Girls @ Netzach, 5.30-6.30pm***Meeting points 5.15pm***Inter Girls, GG****Yrs 7-10 No Group**

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