

פרשת תשא

## SMALL YET RADIANT

## Children's Rally - 14 Adar I, 5741-1981

A leap year brings the offset between the moon, 'Small Luminary,' and the sun, the 'Great Luminary,' into harmony. A month is added called Adar I, on the fourteenth day we celebrate 'Purim Katan-Small Purim.'

This assembly is being held on Purim Katan, 'Small Purim,' after midday. It is the beginning and the preparation for the 'Small Shushan Purim.' This puts special emphasis on the theme of the day, the idea of 'small.'

Torah, the Torah of Truth which reveals the truth in everything, calls this day 'Small Purim!' In addition, this assembly is for small children born to the People of Jacob. Torah describes Jacob as the "the small one." And we are all preparing to greet Moshiach, Son of David, of whom the verse says, "David is the smallest."

There is a significant lesson underlying this idea of 'small.' We each need to contemplate how all our necessities come from G-d, who is the 'Great Luminary' who shines His kindness on heaven on earth, providing all the needs of His creations as described in the verse: "In the beginning G-d created the heavens and the earth."

Since each of us receives all our needs from the Great Luminary, it is only right that we should do everything we can to be among Tzivot Hashem, the army which belongs to the Great Luminary.

And by joining the army of G-d, we become a 'Small Luminary' —reflecting G-dliness, for no matter how much we grow and we will, of course, grow— it is all with the abilities and blessings of the Great Luminary.

The Small Luminary must know his mission and task in life. Although he is small in comparison to the heavens, earth, and their legions —still, he is a small Luminary, who can illuminate heaven and earth by reflecting the "Mitzvah Candle and the Torah Light," through bringing out the light of G-d's Torah and fulfilling His Mitzvot, reflecting the light of G-d, the Great Luminary.

And through this, the Small Luminary, every Jewish boy and girl, and through them also their parents and relatives and all Jewish gown-ups, shine and brighten the entire world.

This teaches all those who are part of "Jacobs's Small Nation," who await to greet the "Small David"—King Moshiach, that although he is quantitatively small relative to the rest of the world, yet in quality, in truth, he is not less significant at all. He leads the world and brings redemption to the entire world.



## LIVING TORAH

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Being the Small Luminary, he receives strength from the Great Luminary. When a child joins Tzivot Hashem like any soldier, he is supplied with everything necessary to be victorious.

Likewise, the necessities of all Small Luminaries in the battle against the Evil Inclination is provided by the Great Luminary, the Commander-in-Chief, G-d Himself. This is what G-d says: "Wherever you mention My Name I shall come to you and bless you." 'You' is singular.

Whenever a member of Tzivot Hashem, a member of the Jewish People, mentions G-d's name in prayer, study, or in fulfilling a commandment such as giving charity— G-d Himself will come and bless him with utmost success in all endeavors.

