



## SHLUCHOS – BRINGING MERIT TO ALL JEWISH WOMEN

### *Sicha to Participants of the First International Conference of Shluchos – 26 Shevat, 5751-1991*

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“Build a Sanctuary, and I shall dwell in them.” The words “in them” refer not to the Temple or Tabernacle, rather, building the Temple is a means toward achieving the true goal: That G-d will dwell “among them,” in the heart of every Jew.

And through them, He dwells in their homes as well.

And the Jewish woman, “the pillar of her home,” she bears the primary mission, as G-d’s emissary, to imbue the home with more Judaism, thereby bringing more joy into the home.

And to achieve more in educating her children – for those already blessed with children.

And for those who will be blessed with children very soon, as well as those who are getting married soon, and those preparing to get married – all blessings and success.

This is true of any good deed a Jew does – man or woman, adult or child, even a very young child – all are fulfilling a Divine purpose on G-d’s behalf.

G-d created a vast world, and He created it in such a way that every Jew can say, “the world was created for me.” – Created to be “for me” – to find my place, my opportunity to benefit the world – to make the world more Jewish more joyous, with true joy, and more blessed with G-d’s blessings.

As stated, it all begins when G-d dwells “within them,” in every Jewish heart.

This brings His presence into every Jewish home primarily through the mother’s influence, or the daughter who she raises – or the grandmother raising her grandchild, to prepare for the time when she will build a home, with joy and a happy heart, and as Jewish as possible.

– Our ability to experience joy today, before the ultimate redemption, is still limited, for we have yet to attain the true joy which we will soon experience with the building of the third Temple, “A Divine Sanctuary established by Your hand.” Until then, however, every Jew, man and woman, adult and child, is responsible to contribute to G-d’s world, becoming a partner with Him in Creation: G-d created the world “to be completed,” enabling every Jew to do his part to make the world more Jewish, and more blessed with G-d’s blessings, both physical and spiritual blessings.



## פרשת יתרו

In connection with this, each of the Shluchos will be appointed as an emissary to give charity – a double portion, two dollar bills, doubling G-d's blessings.

As stated many times, "double" here doesn't mean "twofold," rather; in addition to the blessings initiated by G-d from Above, there's an additional blessing resulting from our actions, greater even than the blessings which G-d initiates.

– True, it is all with G-d's help, for in every good deed we perform, G-d assists, enabling us to perform it in the best way possible.

Yet it is credited to us, and considered our accomplishment.

And this increases the reward of those whom you have chosen from among you to be emissaries – the achievements of the emissaries is a merit for each of those who sent them, and they share the reward for the Shluchos' work, and everything achieved through the Shluchos' influence, – even in a place where they are alone, in order to create a dwelling place for G-d there, they also share a portion of the reward.

Additionally, and more importantly; each emissary should undertake – not as an obligation, but as a privilege – as representatives of the Jewish people, to accept this mission to promote joyousness, to make their surroundings happier, reaching every Jew and all Jews, even a Jew who is physically distant, and certainly those who are spiritually distant.

May you go from strength to strength, until we "appear before G-d in Zion," – the true and ultimate redemption, in Zion.

