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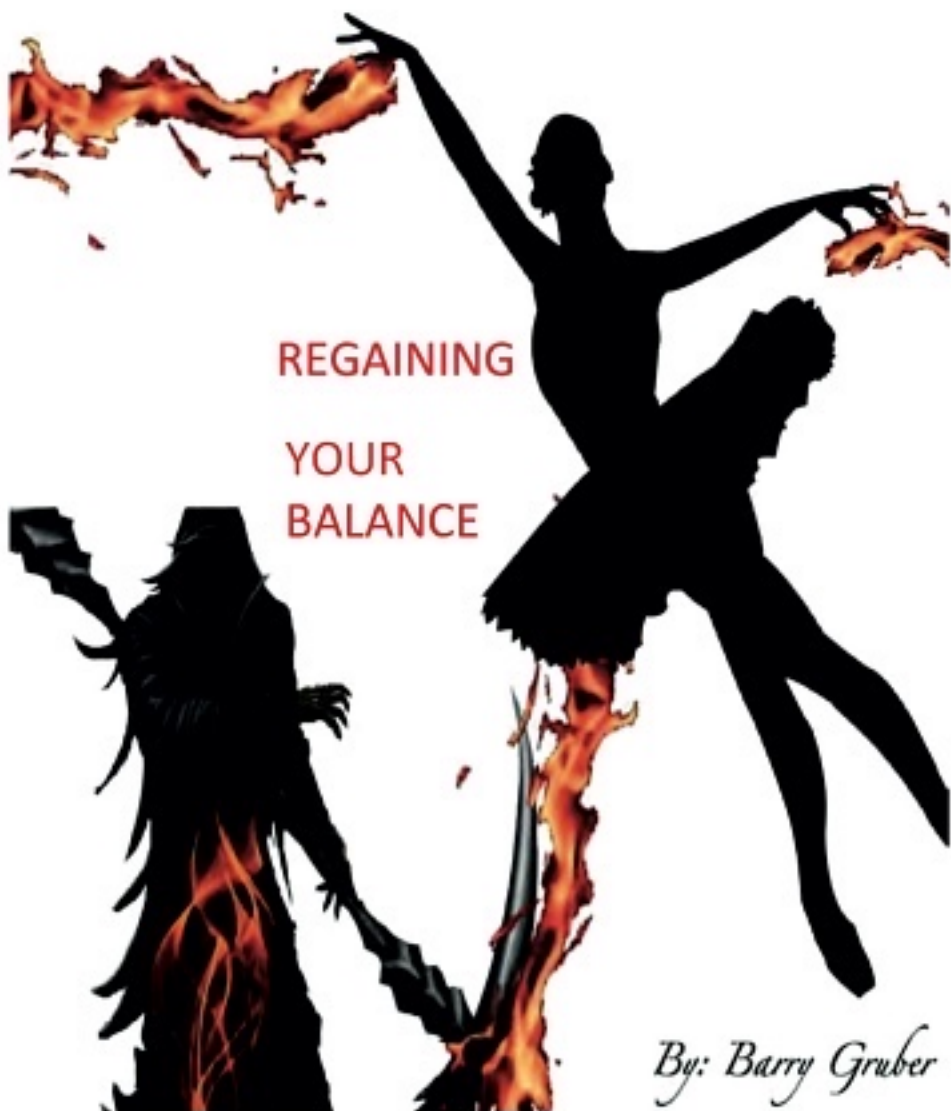
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Barry Gruber is a native of Springfield, Massachusetts. He is someone who in business always focused on his career. At a very young age, he rose to becoming a corporate executive in Atlanta, working as a senior manager for a warehouse, with over three hundred stores.

Subsequent to being fired from his first three jobs after university in 1977, Gruber believed it was impossible to be both traditional and practical because of his Jewish beliefs. His conviction not to work on the Jewish Sabbath, as commanded on Mount Sinai, was a disposition that went contrary to typical American sentiment. Gruber felt different and often hid his Jewish identity to fit in. Subsequently, he decided to go east 6,000 miles to the City of Peace, called Jerusalem.

As he was walking between classes at Hebrew University with his teacher, at the Institute of Contemporary Jewry, Professor Emil Fackenheim suggested that with his experience and background, he should try to humanize business. At first instance, Gruber believed that it was a wonderful idea. However, it seemed impractical.

In contemplation, Gruber, recalled from Torah teachings that Jacob (called Yaakov and later Israel), was honest in his business dealings. It dawned on Gruber that he had a role model to emulate, staring him in the face.

Gruber's work in Israel was to improve business. Nevertheless, this would only be possible if he was able to improve himself. He decided to learn as much Torah as possible from authentic sources and rabbis. Gruber realized like many giants of the Jewish world, he must leave home to start living a life based on his Torah knowledge. This was consistent with one of the fundamental parts of the Torah: character refinement and development to improve the world. The Jewish People, the Torah and the Holy Land, was the eternal hope and plan for the Creator at Sinai. Gruber's mission today is making this dream become a reality, in the hope that all Jews find a spark of return. A Jew's purpose according to Torah teachings, is to strive to be a light unto the nations, to make Jerusalem great again for all nations. This book is the formula to do just that. This book aims to restore the peace and kindness to the world, as revealed to the Jewish nation at Mount Sinai. The fire from Mount Sinai is still inside Gruber. He aims to share it with all the nations and with fellow Jews. This master piece provides readers with the tools to change negative attitudes and stereotypes, to see the common good in one another. It facilitates the construction of a common bridge for all people of faith to get along. The book reveals Torah secrets and also provides perspective, as to why the world is so crazy and upside down today.

10 DAYS TO CHOOSING LIFE: TAKING YOUR POWER BACK!

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DAY 8

THE GENETIC ROOT CONNECTION OF TWINS

Jew and Gentile have been competitors' in an ugly game that started thousands of years ago when the Jewish Matriarch Rivka was carrying twins fighting in her stomach. This was Yaakov and Esau: later to be the dueling nations for thousands of years to come. They tried over and over again to conquer and obliterate the people called Israel. This separation between the Jewish nation and the non-Jewish nations is that we are very different yet come from the same mother.

Bilam the gentile prophet understood this difference. The Moabite princes tried to seduce the heads of the tribes before the Jews entered Israel. They knew they could not win them physically so they tried different ammunition.

The curse of Bilam hired by the Moabite king was not enough to battle against the Jews. This almost succeeded if not for the courageous act of Pincus, who earned a place in the priesthood for his act which stopped the chaos in the camp. He took his spear between the leaders cohabiting in each tribe which stopped the pandemonium in the camp where thousands had started to die.

Controlling one's desires and having a vision of a greater purpose is the story of the Jew in exile. His method was simple: Send the prettiest woman out naked into the battlefield, and see who wins. They tried to destroy Israel by not physically attacking them but by loving them to their death. G-d saw this and 24,000 died before Pincus, courageous act. The strategy was to attack them at their weakest point: The Yetzer Harah! The Devil's Dance!

Yaakov represents Israel's ideal in the learning houses of Torah. Esau represents the gentiles of Rome, the destroyers of Jerusalem. Western Civilization as we know it today. Esau the hunter, the anti-Torah, enjoyed life in the killing fields. Yaakov the student dwelled in tents. Esau did not want to participate in a Torah way of life. Yaakov had to carry the burden of both himself and his brother. He had to leave the tent of learning and become a player in a deceiving world where his brother Esau was lurking behind him ready to entrap him at any moment.

Today, does Esau still perceive Israel as still the enemy? Are we not brothers from the same mother? Perhaps it is time to accept our unique roles as a different nation, with a special role that we no longer need to be jealous or in conflict with each other?

As a people of good faith who seeks to turn the other cheek, with forced conversions, pogroms and massive killings as part of a belief system, then how could you not accept the Jews as chosen ? From where did you get your Torah to murder, kill, rape, steal and molest?

Jews believe you cannot do a Mitzvah by way of transgression, which is way of the church, turning against humanity with the systematic destruction of Jews. Isn't time for a change to know that G-d is with the Jews even when because they are always with Him?

Jews still exist today. They have their own country. Israel hates conquests and discourages conversions. The Jewish claim to the land is well documented when Avraham bought a burial plot of land for 400 Shekels which implies eternity: Choice Real Estate to dwell together.

The Midrash mentions Esau came out red and hairy. The Torah mentioned Esau as Edom, which is Italy today. Instead of a 9 inning baseball game, it has become a war of extra innings that lasted for centuries with no winner in site.

Abraham made the path for me to leave America. I thought there must be more to being Jewish. This realization a Jew can only experience when he visits the land. Freedom in America has a price to pay for Jews. The contribution of Jews in America is outstanding compared to their numbers? Why it is that America has never had a Jewish president in office?

Before the game even started, they were battling in the womb. Jacob grabbed at the heel of his brother Esau at birth while in his mother's stomach. After nine months Jacob tried to come out first. He came out second to start a new life of challenges with his brother creating an exile, the last exile for more than 2,000 years. He later proved to his brother that he indeed was chosen to receive the original blessing by his father and that his brother wanted to kill him just the same but had too much respect for his father to do it while he was alive.

He is called Yaakov because the root of the word of Yaakov is "Akev" which means heel. True, Esau made it out first but sold his birthright to his brother because he was hungry from hunting where Yaakov made red lentil soup. He gave up his right to the first born and the blessings that comes with it for selling his birthright for the soup. Esau was the personification of immorality and Jacob the personification of good, dwelling in tents while learning Torah.

The Hebrew language is essential to understanding the wisdom of the sages. Without knowing Hebrew, the inner secrets cannot be revealed. The Hebrew language is the key to gaining wisdom. It is a holy language which distinguishes Jews from other nations.

The clash between mighty nations players on the world stage are struggling for a land promised to the Jews as an inheritance and as it is clearly defined in the Torah. The Middle East conflict stems from Avraham's first son who Rivka who saw Ishmael was a bad influence on her son Isaac, the child to whom she gave birth at 90 years old. Midrash says that Ishmael took target practice at Yitzchak nearly killing him. She realized he was a danger to the values of the generations of Yitzchak to follow. She told Avraham to banish him from the land.

Avraham was concerned and prayed to G-d. He was told to listen to his wife. A woman of valor has understanding or Bina that a man does not possess. A Jewish man in order to succeed in a marriage needs to follow the innate understanding of a woman of Torah blessed with Bina having the insight of human nature where she is actually exempt from learning Torah which is generally the role of the man in religious Jewish families.

Men have a different set of religious obligations than woman. Men have positive Mitzvoth to keep. These commandments are called positive time bound Mitzvoth. Jewish woman do not have an obligation to pray because she is not bound by the time bound Mitzvoth like tefillin. However, there is a reward when she prays.

The Torah tells us by giving charity, repenting, and praying these 10 days will cancel a stern decree. Therefore, the power of life and death is actually in our hands to choose life by showing a willingness to change for the better. Today many Jews are choosing an alternative lifestyle. Many of them have recognized the creation of the State of Israel in 1948, and that it is possible to live a meaningful life there. They choose life by connecting to the ancient tradition and by learning Torah. Some even go so far as choose to live in their ancient land of the forefathers of our faith. Some come with no Torah but feel connected to the land simply because they are Jewish.

There is long life attributed to living in the land of Israel just breathing the air says Chazal. One does not need to be religious or to earn a good life in the land. Just living in the land is a huge mitzva. The land is central to everything Jewish and is deeply interconnected to its people and Torah expectations for the Jewish people.

10 days reflect on the whole spectrum of a lifetime within these 10 days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. Living a Torah life means overcoming the internal fight when challenged to do the right thing; being silent, indifferent, or by speaking up to make a world of difference.

A Torah person seeks to make the world right by teaching others, not only to be humble, but to also fight for what is good in the world. A Torah person leads by example and shows proper judgment. The Tzaddik saves Hashem for giving out punishment from above. There is an expression, "In no place where there is any man, try to be one." Do not be silent. There is a price to pay.

What happened to Job before Pharaoh met with his three main advisors to discuss the overpopulation of Jewish babies and the decree to drown them in the Nile when they were born? He asked Job and he was silent. He asked Yitro and he said no. He asked the prophet Bilam and he said you must kill them.

What is Bilam's response to each one? Yitro was given a chapter in the Torah after his name; became a convert, after he heard about the miracles at Sinai. He was a former priest and huge idol worshiper who welcomed Moshe to his family where Moses married his daughter. He was a righteous gentile, did the right thing, which was the will of G-d, not to harm the Jewish babies by drowning in the Nile. He was rewarded for doing the right thing.

Job, one of the wealthiest men in the world at the time, lost all of his family and all of his property as a decree from above for not saying anything when asked his opinion to kill the Jewish babies by Pharaoh. He was severely punished just for being indifferent, and being quiet, which required him to take action, instead of inaction. He was being passive and mute instead of speaking up for the innocent babies who cannot speak for them.

Bilam the gentile false prophet, who was hired by Balak, the King of Moab, to curse the Jews, suffered death by the sword. Hashem allowed for a gentile prophet like Bilam to give the gentiles a chance to help their struggle against the Jewish nation while trying to pass through Balak's territory in getting to the land of promise by way of Jordan.

He used the power of speech to curse them because physically he knew he could not destroy them as they are blessed, and he knew it. G-d spoke to Bilam, where in the end Bilam was compelled to bless the Jews, albeit inadvertently. Balak pushed Bilam to curse the Jews, but G-d made instead a blessing was expelled from his mouth. "How good are your tents and dwelling places Israel." An angel with a sword stood in his path as he was rushing to curse the Jews. His donkey saw it and he could not move. He took his stick and started beating the donkey hard. The animal opened his mouth and spoke to him, "Why do you hit me, after I helped you all these years!" He then saw the angel and realized his mistake. He was so engrossed in his mission to curse the Jews he was unaware that the donkey had spoken to him, as is not the way of animals.

The fact that man has a mouth and is the highest being of all the creations, including the angels. He should look twice at a situation that he could be wrong. Man needs to be an example to the animals because he has a voice piece where an animal cannot articulate thoughts. We understand that the reason for the flood and the destruction of Sodom was because the animals had already learned the bad behaviors of man as they married their pets, and the world was destroyed. Kidusha was missing and man and animal could not distinguish the truth between them as being more than man's best friend.

We learn that Hashem has the power to control speech when people try to do harm against Israel. The gentiles had their own prophet, but he failed to do the thing to save his own life. Chazal says that the voice of the talking donkey came before the creation of the world. He gave Bilam the power to do good if he only would have listened.

G-d asked him not to do it and he suffered a humiliating death as a result of his trying to curse but failed where G-d put the blessing in his mouth because the Jews are blessed.

A plague hit the camp where 24,000 that had died during the party before entering the land. Moshe said, "You are right Pincus. Take care of it as you remember." He took his spear sending it through both the head prince and head leaders Cozbi and Zimry the heads of their tribes. He killed them TOGETHER in one shot. All saw this immediate action, where the forces of Tuma, could not win over the forces of Kidusha, as the people of Israel were compelled TO STOP THEIR BEHAVIOR after the main leaders of both camps were killed. Pincus' action stopped the people who were dying, saving the nation from G-d's wrath and further death when Jews misbehave.

Bilam had the opportunity to choose right, after being cautioned by G-d not to curse them. He would have profited by not doing anything. There is a Gemorra that G-d helps a person the way he wants to go even if he is doing evil. However, he will suffer the consequences if it infuriates the people and community when they pray back to G-d for help. He would have been alive if he would have walked away from the deal. Balak would not have killed him. He thought he would make a big yield by completing the job for Balak. He chose his own way for profit and became a non-prophet entity that chose death instead of life! He had clearly been told not to do it! He ended up blessing the Jews instead of cursing them as Hashem put the blessing in his mouth instead of his objective to curse them! We learn Hashem controls everything even speech. He goes further with a sense of humor, to listen to the donkey speak.

His talking donkey appeared more intelligent than the owner when he hit him as the angel would not let the donkey pass. What could the donkey see that Bilam could not see? Sometimes we see only what we want to see yet miss the big picture. The truth is staring at us straight in our face. It is clear that the choices we make are important.

Sometimes a man is called to act and needs the wisdom to make the best choice. We learn that Yitro, in his compassion for the Jewish babies drowned in the Nile, by speaking against it, he had a book in the Torah named after him, as he converted upon hearing the events occurring at Sinai, and what happened at the revelation.

Job by being silent, or by showing indifference suffered. He lost his enormous wealth and all family members as a result for his not caring about the babies being killed. Measure for measure by divine decree he lost all family members just for being silent and not for speaking out about the injustices for murdering the Jewish babies. In His mercy, G-d made the Jewish woman give multiple births, 6 babies at a time, to compensate for the torture. The Jews people left Egypt as a broken, yet great nation.

If one reads the Book of Job, then one can learn that he appeared righteous and convinced that he did nothing wrong to lose his family and wealth. In truth he did nothing! That is the truth! He was guilty of silence against the injustice of Pharo killing the Jewish babies! In heaven he deserved a judgment that appeared harsh. In reality, doing nothing is a sin! How could someone remain silent and do no wrong yet lose everything? We have to lead when there is no leader, especially when dodging the devil! Later, he did repent, starting anew.

Torah teaches an invaluable lesson about being unsympathetic or indifferent. There is a heavy price to pay when asked to do something and nothing is done when justice is required. G-d sees all and expects our participation to not only improving the world but to doing the right thing. This gift is unique to the Jewish people; humbling self-introspection.

He creates a balance off awareness to keep the world spinning. If the Jews were not created, and we did not seek to carry on His mission, as His chosen, to bring His light into this world, then the world would fall back into chaos. Everyone would be destroyed. Jews were not the imperialists and conquerors in the last 2,500 years. They were the persecuted and still are to this very day.

I say to our gentile friends, in this aspect, a Jew really has no reasonable choice as his mission is not to go against G-d. In supporting Him, He watches us if we are doing a good job. The other nations must realize by not supporting the Jewish state, they will cause harm to themselves as their salvation is dependent on Jews ability to serve the nations as a guiding light. If Jews cannot do this then Jews will be punished for insubordination for not fulfilling the commandments in the Torah.

It is written in the tractate of Avot, in “Ethics of the Father’s” saying that the beginning of wisdom is the fear of G-d. If one decides to go deeper and achieve a higher like the level of an Avraham or Yitzchak, who proved that even better than having the fear of G-d is having the love of G-d !

They believed with all their heart, soul, and might, to fulfill the will of G-d at the Akedah: The Binding of Isaak age 37 at age 100!

We must to try to follow Hashem and His plan when called upon. If he assimilates, which was the military tactic of Balak and Balam, he will fall to his death because G-d wants a Jew to rise to the occasion and not to live by anyone’s else’s standards of right to wrong with different customs of daily living to counter a Torah way of life.

They could not defeat the Jews physically. They sent naked woman to the battlefield with their charms and charm to engage them in battle seducing them for the temporary pleasures of the day away from Kiddusha. The seductive love bullets took them by surprise luring some back to idolatry. They almost won the war. If not for the courageous act of Pincus, whose spear in one shot silenced the camp, and the deaths and orgies were stopped with his zealous action.

In Hebrew, Neshek can mean a kiss or a weapon. The kiss of death worked for the enemy in the battlefield upon Jews trying to enter the land. Jews today experience the kiss of death from the enemy outside where love conquers all. The enemy wins when tradition is lost and holiness loses its vital energy to the power of Tuma; the darker side of creation. Kiddusha is an elevated kind of love separate from any other kind of love, rising above the animal nature in man.

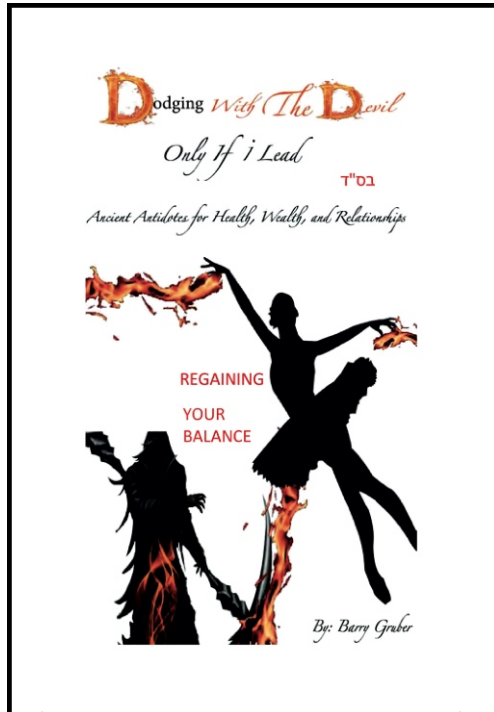
Understand this truth well. The love conquers all dogma, does not sit well with the Jewish people. It nearly destroyed the Jewish nation, when the beautiful naked Medianite woman came to attack Jews in the desert, and later on the liberal college campuses of today. A Jew can easily be influenced by liberal concepts, ahead on the front line, to absorb the ways of their host culture and lose the wisdom of thousands of years of an ancient tradition based on holiness..

By keeping G-d in the background, he encouraged the universal liberal hedonistic culture, instead of a Torah minded communal thinking person, dissolving Jewish communities in the diaspora.

When the Jews are proactive and keep the Torah and Mitzvoth, they are restoring the balance of Kindness and Kiddusha in the world. Therefore, The Jew has the potential of saving the world from disaster in the larger picture. This is the power of a Tzadeek!

How much longer can one continue to dance with the devil and play with fire where there is choice to choose life? Bilam chose death after he told Balak, you cannot curse the Jews because they are blessed.

Job chose repentance and started a new family after losing all his possessions and those very close to him. Yitro, by speaking up against the plan of Pharoh, the chief idol worshiper of his day, showed empathy for the Jewish babies drowned in the Nile.



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