

Return: Five Paths for Getting Closer to G-d

The five-letter Hebrew word "Teshuvah" contains instructions on five methods for creating more love and closeness with G-d.

Lesson Four: Plays Well With Others

Why being on good terms with other people is a prerequisite to being on good terms with G-d.

Entry for the sixth of Tishrei in *HaYom Yom*¹

קיצור ביאור אופן הגי':

ו, ואהבת לרעך כמוך, כמו שאמר רבינו הזקן, אשר זהו כלי לואהבת את הוי" אלקיך, וביאור במאמר כל שרוח הבריות נוחה הימנו רוח המקום נוחה הימנו. עבודת התשובה בסיבת לב טוב.

A resume of the third method:

U - *V'ahavta...*, "Love your fellow as yourself." The Alter Rebbe taught that this love is an instrument, a means to "Love the Eternal your G-d." This is explained in the statement, "Whoever is pleasing to man is pleasing to G-d." This service of *teshuvah* stems from goodness of heart.

¹ *Hayom Yom* is an anthology of Chasidic aphorisms and customs arranged according to the days of the year, compiled by the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, of righteous memory, in 1942, upon the instructions of his father-in-law, the Previous Rebbe. It has since become a beloved classic work and a source of daily inspiration.