

“Please, tell me what’s bothering you?” said R’ Eliyahu Lopian to the talmid who had asked to meet with him.

“I would like to leave the yeshiva to find a job that can provide me with a decent parnasah,” said the talmid hesitantly.

“I understand,” replied R’ Eliyahu, “but why now? Why the sudden worry regarding parnasah?”

“Well,” said the bachur, with worry etched upon his face, “I’m getting older and will soon have to get married, I must begin to worry how I’ll be able to support my family.”

“And who says you’ll find a shidduch?” asked R’ Eliyahu.

“What does Rebbe mean? The Gemara says that forty days before a child is formed in his mother’s womb Hashem already arranges who he will marry,” replied the bachur with conviction.

“Ok, but who says you’ll merit having children?”

“Is Rebbe saying that I won’t have children chas v’shalom? Just as Hashem gives everyone else children, so too will He give me.”

“I understand, but who says you’ll find a job upon leaving the yeshiva?” asked R’ Eliyahu.

“I’m sure Hashem will help, Rebbe, He always does.”

“I see,” summed up R’ Eliyahu. “A shidduch – Hashem has decreed. The greatest miracle of having children – Hashem will take care of. A job – Hashem will certainly find you. So, don’t you think Hashem can find a way to provide for your sustenance without your leaving yeshiva in the prime years of your spiritual growth?!”

This talmid remained in the yeshiva, eventually becoming a great Rosh Yeshiva himself!

Often, we worry about an upcoming business meeting, deal or the like. “Will Hashem pull through for me? Will everything really work out?” Why don’t we worry about how we will live until our upcoming meeting? Every breath of oxygen we take and distribute to each cell in our body involves the most unbelievable miracles, millions of times more complex in nature than a mere business meeting. However, we don’t worry because we are sure Hashem will perform all those great miracles as He always has. So why not rely on Him to take care of our meeting as well, it won’t make His responsibilities any harder!

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