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It's Supposed to Be Like That

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Many years ago, I told Rebbe that I felt guilty about something that had happened on תשעה באב.

I had been learning the פרק of אלו מגלחין, trying deliberately to keep the learning simple, but I still found myself getting a געשמאק (*delight*) from it. I asked Rebbe whether I had done something wrong.

He smiled and said:

> פִּקּוּדֵי ה׳ יְשָׁרִים מְשַׂמְּחֵי־לֵב (תהלים יט:ט)
>
> *"The precepts of Hashem are upright, gladdening the heart."*

It does not matter what you are learning or what questions you are asking. When a person is learning properly, that effect is real. תורה brings שמחה (*joy*).

ברוך ה׳, yesterday I was learning that same פרק with my son when he turned to me and said, "Tatty, I'm trying not to, but I'm still enjoying it."

I smiled and told him, "It's okay. It's supposed to be like that."

Years later, I found myself passing Rebbe's answer on to the next generation.

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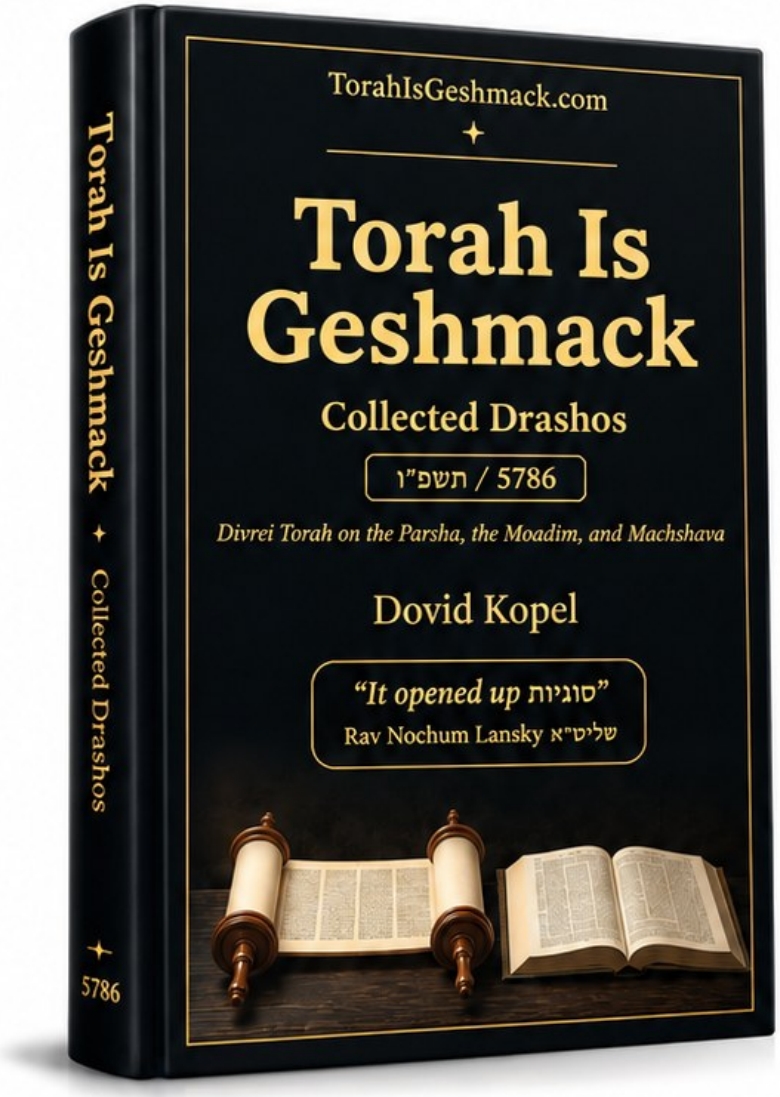
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