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# Menorah on the Car: Hiddur and the Core of the Mitzvah

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If putting up decorations and tinsel and lights in front of your house, or on top of your car, would somehow enhance the מצוה (*commandment*), then חז״ל (*the Sages*) would have said that any form of פרסומי ניסא (*publicizing the miracle*) was part of the מצוה. They do not.

Maybe we can double our efforts to light the מנורה with greater שמחה (*joy*) and say the ברכות (*blessings*) with more כוונה (*focused intent*) — that would truly enhance the מצוה. I know that sounds very litvish (which I am), but it is the truth nonetheless.

If you enjoy it, there is nothing wrong with it. But when a child asks me why I don't put a מנורה on my car, I let them know. I support anyone who beautifies the מצות; let's just try to focus on the core, and מהדר (*beautify*) that!

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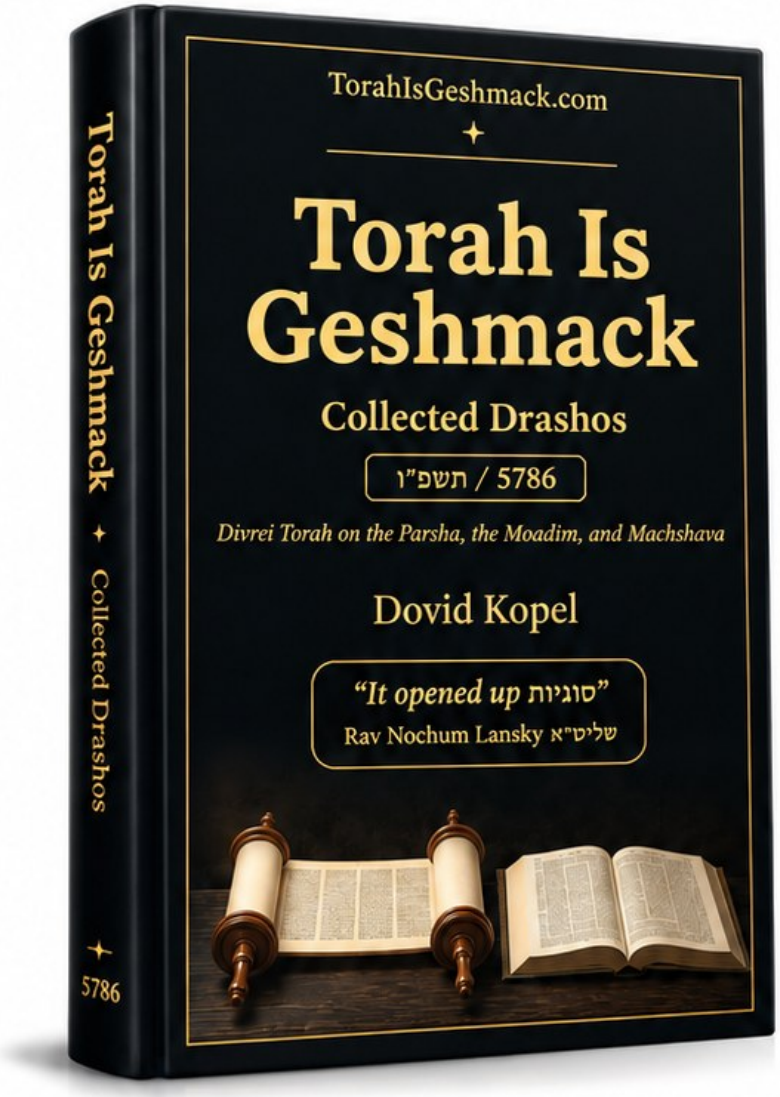
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