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והיה עקב תשמעון [דברים פ״ז פי״ב] With every step that a person takes, he must first listen and think, if this action he will do is the will of Hashem. And if not, he shall not take this step.

This is the meaning, Vihoya Eikev, and it should be, that by every step, (from the language of Dosh Bi'akeivov – trod with your heal), Tishmi'un, you should first listen that this is the will of Hashem, and you should then take this step.

 Sefer Ohr Tzadikim, in the name of Reb Moshe Leib of Sasov ZY"A – Der Torah Kvall

Chazal say (in Esther Rabboh Pesicha 11), Vihoyoh is a Loshon (language) of Simcha (happiness). The meaning is, it will be a great happiness in Shomayim, if Eikev- at the end of Golus in the times of Ikvisoh DiMishiechoh, when there will be great Nisyonoss (tribulations) and deterrents to be an Ehrliche Yid. If nevertheless you will then listen and hold strong by Yiddishkeit (Judaism), it will be a great happiness by Hashem Yisborach.

• Sefer Orach LaChaim – Der Torah Kvall

Sometimes it can happen, that with the silver and gold you take from Avodoh zoroh you will prosper in your business. You will then start to think, it is because of the power of the Avodoh zoroh, and you will stumble and be mistaken through the silver and gold to the Avodoh zoroh itself... Chas VeSholom.

• Sefornoh

וְאָכַלְתָּ וְשָׂבָעְתָּ וּבֵרַכְתָּ אֶת ה׳ אֱלֹקֶידְּ עַל הָאָרֶץ הַטֹּבָה אֵשֵׁר נַתַן לַדְּ: [דברים פרק ח׳ פ״י]

A traveler once stopped at an inn [Kretchmer] and requested a glass of water on a cold night. The Kretchmer Yid [innkeeper] served him and requested five Rubel for the drink. Five Rubel? exclaimed the traveler, it was only a cup of water! The innkeeper explained, it is not only the cup of water I am charging you for. I am charging you for the table & chair you sat at, the warm sheltered building you sat in etc... Concluded Reb Yisroel Salanter ZY"A, when we eat the food that Hashem [G-D] gives us, and we make a Brochoh [Blessing] Shehakol, we are not only thanking Hashem for the glass of water, we are thanking for all the Brochos and good that Hashem bestows upon us...

• Mipie Hashmu'oh

The Chidushei HoRim ZY"A, said in the name of the Rebbe of Lublin ZY"A – Two Chasidim in a city is more than enough. One Chossid, is less than needed. Rather, one and a half, and each one should consider himself the half, and be Buttel (nulled) to his fellow friend.

• Sefer Siach Sarfei Kodesh

בס״ד פרשת עקב תש״פ

In the name of Reb Bunim of Parshischa ZY"A, (Tehillim 34:15) Sur Meiroh Vi'asei Tov – Go away from bad and do good, meaning, Sur Meirah – Go away from bad, it should not come to your mind the thought that you did bad until now. Only, Asei Tov – do good, and with doing good it will thereby nullify the bad totally, Vihovein, [and understand].

• Sefer Siach Sarfei Kodesh

The Chidushei Harim said on the topic of Arichas HaGolus [length of the exile] so much. It can possibly be said, as it is so dear and important the learning of Torah in current times, which is done even with sacrifice of the difficulty of Parnossoh (livelihood) which distracts a person.

• Sefer Siach Sarfei Kodesh

On the 15th of Av is the Yohrtzeit of Reb Osher of Stolin (Der Yonge Rebbe) ZY"A, son of the Beis Aharon ZY"A. On the first and only Yohrtzeit of his father the Beis Aharon, the Yungeh Rebbe traveled to the Tzion. One Thousand wagons, each with five Chasidim in them, crossed the border into Vohlin to Mohlinov where the Beis Aharon was buried. First the Rebbe went into the Ohel of his Father. He then came out and said, "for the next guarter hour [Mehn ken oispoilin altz - afilu Ashirus -wealth] everyone can ask all their needs even wealth (which was not recommended by most Karliner Rebbes). There was not time to write Kvitlach, and the tzibbur lined up and where Mazkir their needs, each for their needs – Bonei, Chayei, Mezonei, Shiduchim, & Ashirus. And so it was, all were answered, even Ashirus (wealth). [Most of those who got Ashirus did not stay in Karlin, but went to other Chasidic courts where wealth was distinguished.

• As heard from Reb Yudel Ackerman Z"L

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