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The Klap: Torah That Brings to Action

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There were times our Mashgiach would walk into the בית מדרש (*study hall*), make a קלאפ (*a bang on the shtender*), say תהלים (*Psalms*), and walk out. That said a lot.

The greatest שמירה (*protection*) is תורה. The קול התורה (*voice of Torah*) in a בית מדרש is not just background noise to the world. It is כח (*power*). It is life. It is what holds things up in ways we do not even see.

But the lesson was never that תורה means sitting in your seat in some vague, passive way and calling that enough. תורה is מביא לידי מעשה — it brings a person to action. It demands something. It shapes a person who knows that sometimes the עבודה (*service*) is to stay in the Gemara, sometimes the עבודה is to stop and say תהלים, and sometimes the עבודה is to rise and respond in the way the moment demands.

So when the Mashgiach came in and made that קלאפ, he was not minimizing the כח of learning. He was showing what it means. Real תורה is not disconnected from life. It gives a person the clarity to know what הקב״ה is asking of him now.

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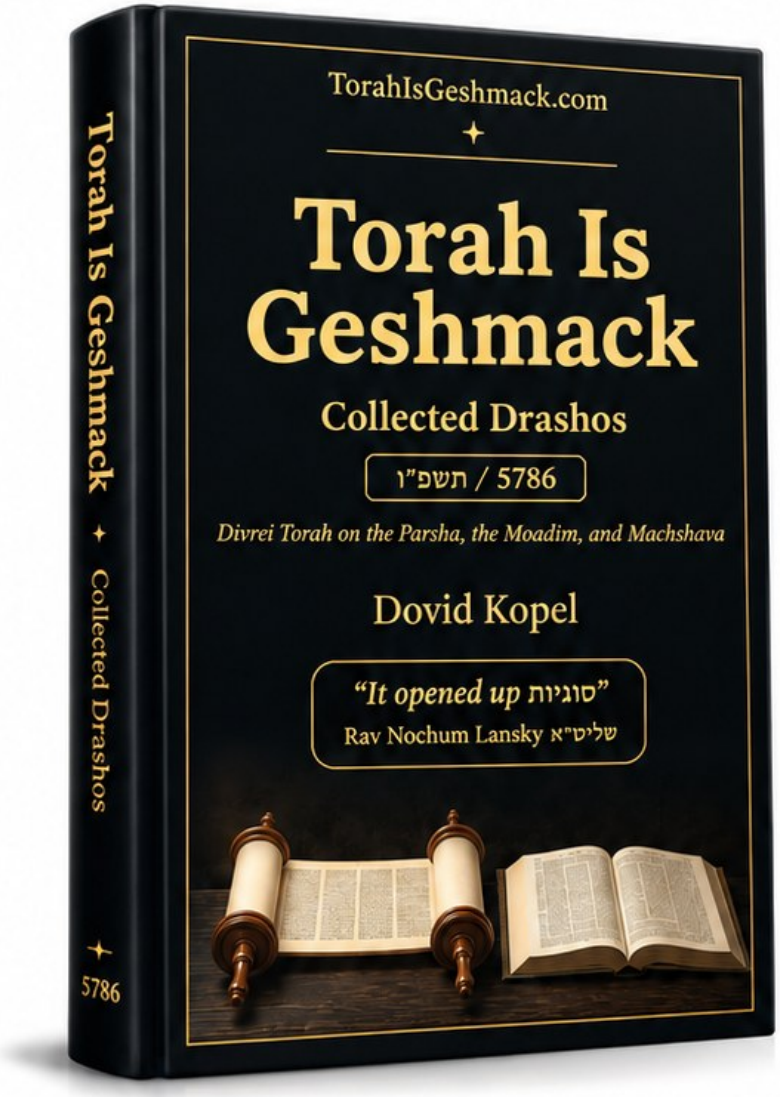
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