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Kuntres

**Precious Stones And Gems In The Earth
Of The Land Of Israel**

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**Five Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy years from
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Sixty years of leadership of the Lubavitcher Rebbe



“...For G-d your G-d is bringing you to a good land, a land with brooks of water, fountains and depths that emerge in valleys and mountains, a land of wheat and barley, vines and figs and pomegranates, a land of oil producing olives and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, you will lack nothing in it, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose mountains you will hew copper...”

(Devarim 8:7)



Introduction

The bold connection between the Jewish nation wherever it may be and the diamond business has become an established fact and one of our points par excellence throughout the generations.

A wandering nation that bundles up all of its possessions, unravels it, takes out its contents and starts a successful diamond department – a modern and sophisticated industry, a state of the art kind of merchandise, a global leader.

The diamond business is so characteristic of the Jewish working merchant throughout the generations that until today, the Rambam's words, "good fortune and blessing" are used when closing a diamond deal and is part of the international diamond dealer's lexicon, regardless of religion around the world.

The Torah often mentions while discussing numerous issues precious stones and gems, starting with the High Priest's breastplate that's explained in the Written Law through the Talmud and the Midrashim as well as in Jewish law and the later codifiers that deal with the trade of these precious stones.

This kuntres, based on the **Lubavitcher Rebbe's** prophecy on the discovery of precious stones and gems in the earth of the Land of Israel, was written in an attempt to open a special portal that was never checked or researched in the past to find out what the Torah has to say about the discovery of precious stones in the earth of the Holy Land.

In the book "Hayom Yom", on the 17th day of Iyar, the Rebbe writes, "**...On Lag B'Omer, in the year 5604 (1844), the "Tzemach Tzedek" related the following teaching of the Baal Shem Tov: "It's written, "...For you shall be a desirable land, says the L-rd of Hosts..." Just like the greatest Sages will never comprehend the vast natural treasures that G-d the blessed One instilled into the earth, because "...everything is from the dust..."**, so too a human being cannot fathom the vast treasures that are hidden within a Jew, for they G-d's "desirable land". The Baal Shem Tov concluded, "I want to bring about that Jews will give produce like G-d's "desirable land" will give..."".

It should be G-d's will that while in the 250th year since the "histalkut" of the Baal Shem Tov, the founder of the Chassidic movement and in the year of ה'פרצת – "When your wellsprings will spread out to the outside", nature's material and spiritual treasures will be revealed in the Land of Israel and within the Jewish nation and all of us should merit the true and complete redemption with the Rebbe leading us right away and immediately, literally.

**The 3rd day of Tamuz 5770
The Lubavitcher Rebbe's 108th year
250 years since our teacher,
the Baal Shem Tov's "histalkut"**

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The Torah's opinion on the subject of finding precious stones and gems in the earth of the Land of Israel

From the middle of 5746 (1986) until the 26th of Adar 5792 (March 1, 1992) the Lubavitcher Rebbe gave out dollars for charity for countless hours in the Lubavitch World Headquarters in Brooklyn to thousands of people in long and winding lines while at the same time gave blessings, advice and words of Torah. Sometimes the Rebbe spoke prophetically.

In the month of Sivan 5748 (June 1988) Mr. Arye Gorel, the mayor of Haifa then, came to the Rebbe. While giving out dollars the Rebbe spoke to him in general about education and specifically about the Land of Israel. No one there paid much attention what was said. Only afterwards people realized that the Rebbe spoke prophetically and said wondrous things.

The Rebbe (answered) said¹,

“... In Haifa, there is a sea. One shouldn't become intimidated by something that is deep. The uniqueness of Haifa are: that it has a sea, and it has a valley - and in the valley are precious stones and gems. The Holy One, Blessed Be He, did a wondrous thing; he concealed them in the depths of the earth, and in any case, in the depth of the ploughed field...”

¹ The conversation was documented on video and jotted down quickly, the contents of which was quoted in the book “Zoreia Tzedakot Matzmiach Yeshuot”. The book is replete with pure statements, blessings and directives from the Rebbe while giving out dollars in order that every one should be a “shliach” and fulfill the mitzvah of charity (p. 104). The book was published on the 12th of Tamuz 5753 (1993).



The Rebbe, the Torah and science

Professor Yirmiyahu Branover, Chairman of the Center for Magneto Hydrodynamics at the University of Beer Sheva writes², “Before the Lubavitcher Rebbe accepted upon himself the leadership of the Chabad movement, his father-in-law, the previous Rebbe, Rabbi Yosef Yitzchak Schneerson, sent him, amongst other places, to study in some of the most important universities in the world, such as the “Sorbonne” in Paris and the University of Berlin. The Rebbe then received at least 3 PhD degrees in the areas of physics, philosophy and mechanical engineering. In the exclusive magazine “**Popular Science**” an article was published that discussed a military discovery that the American Navy developed at its Brooklyn facility. The article briefly said that the discovery involved a unique kind of technology that afforded the American Navy during WWII protection for its ships from aerial attacks by using a very strong and special type of blinding light.

Later on it became clear that the war was going on the Rebbe came to the United States and immediately went to work in the same naval facility. He was the one that developed the new discovery that received the code name “**Yehudi**”. It was amazing that when a group of Chabad Chassidim turned to the higher echelons in the American Navy to receive more information about the Rebbe’s discovery, they were refused, because the development of this discovery was top secret and publicity was prohibited! It’s very rare to find in the world an instance when technological ability and significance are kept top secret for more than 60 years!

The Rebbe’s familiarity with science astounded many scientists with his prophetically inspired knowledge, a person that hardly leaves his home and has an intricate knowledge of everything that’s going on around the world.

² Based on scientific opinion from the year 2002 that Professor Branover wrote on the subject of finding precious stones and gems in the Land of Israel based on the Rebbe’s prophecy.



The Rebbe's ability to see things happening in the world before they actually take place and to be familiar with all the sciences is discussed by the Rebbe³ while answering a contradiction, so to speak, between science and the Torah's opinion on many issues and essential topics. The Rebbe bases his discussion on the Midrash that says that "...G-d looked into the Torah and created the world..." As such, any existence in the world cannot contradict the Torah's opinion because the Torah is the "blueprint" with which G-d created the world and as a result when contradictions come up, one has to look into and research the natural manifestations over and over in order that they correspond to what the Torah says. If the efforts to do so weren't successful, one shouldn't give up hope, for it is no wonder that a human being has a hard time trying to understand his Creator's way of thinking.

We often saw that scientific theories the entire world regarded as correct were refuted and have changed a number of times over the generations and in certain instances were amazingly seen to agree to Torah opinion that remained steadfast in its opinion and hasn't changed for more than 3,000 years!

The Rebbe explains⁴ that the Sages throughout the generations looked into the Torah and its ways and understood the wonders of the Creator's nature and as a result prefaced their understanding of nature to that of the world's scientists. In the years 1884-1885, scientists discovered a new artery in the brain that assists in the memory process and profound thinking. When the Lubavitcher Rebbe Shalom Dober, the leader of Lubavitcher Chassidim then, was informed about this, he wasn't moved at all. He went into another room and opened up a book that was written three generations prior by Rabbi Dober Shneori, the second Rebbe of the Chabad movement. It discussed in great detail this special "artery" in the brain. He was neither a professor nor a great scientist," the Rebbe concluded. He knew about this because he looked into the secrets of the Torah and applied it to the world.

³ "Shaarei Emuna", the chapter of "Bria" and other places.

⁴ The translated "Likutei Sichot", vol.2, p. 69.



However, regarding the formation of diamonds, the Rebbe has an unwaivable opinion that up until a few years ago “contradicted” so to speak the theory behind the formation of diamonds. Scientific theory states that diamonds were produced and developed over the course of millions of years in the depths of the earth. The Rebbe of course doesn’t agree to this assumption and explicitly establishes⁵ that **“...Even if we will assume that the time the Torah establishes as the world’s age is too little for rocks to solidify, we can still readily accept the notion that G-d created fossils, bones or skeletons as they appear today (for reasons that are known only to Him), just as He’s able to create living organisms, a complete human being and finished products, such as oil, coal or diamonds without having to go through a development process...”**.

Indeed, recently it has been proven that diamonds can also be found in “young” earth relatively speaking, like the earth of the Land of Israel whose age doesn’t match the millions of years required for the formation of diamonds.

“I had the privilege and was present,” Professor Branover recounts, “...to witness the Rebbe’s prophetic vision. When I went into the Rebbe’s office at the end of the 1970’s, I presented certain research work that we did at the University of Beer Sheva. I presented different equations by heart before the Rebbe. When I finished, the Rebbe immediately commented on an essential mistake I made in my equations. It took us 2 whole years to figure out what the mistake was when the Rebbe noticed it immediately and jotted it with a pen and paper.....”

In addition, the Rebbe’s publicized miracles are many; he saw the beginnings of wars in Israel and was the only one who encouraged and promised victory on all fronts. During the Persian Gulf War in 1991, the Rebbe promised that no chemical armed missiles will land in Israel and that no citizen will be harmed. Indeed, that’s what happened.

Chabad Chassidim around the world were privileged to hear the Rebbe prophesize about the collapse of the Soviet Union at a time that no one in the world believed that such a thing would never happen. The list goes on and on.

⁵ From a letter dated the 18th day of Tevet, 5722 (1962) – “Shaarei Emuna”, p. 214.



At present the entire world has realized the amazing fulfillment of one of the Rebbe's prophecies regarding the discovery of natural treasures in the Land of Israel. In the year 5748 (1988)⁶ the Chassid Rabbi Tuvia Loskin received the Lubavitcher Rebbe's blessing to locate oil in the Land of Israel. The Rebbe answered, **"I will mention the matter at the gravesite of my father-in-law. He should tell good news."** Ten years later, in the year 1998, results from the oil drilling brought good news on Yosef Hatzadik's land, north of Rosh Haayin. Geologists predict that they will be able to pump more than a billion barrels of oil on that property!

In the year 5769 (2009)⁷ the media around the world reported that a number of leading Israeli companies have discovered vast amounts of **natural gas reserves** in the area that faces the shores of Haifa Bay that can supply energy for the coming generations. Experts are of the opinion that the reserves are worth in the tens of billions of dollars.

We would like to point out that the American government who has done research on the subject has come to the unequivocal conclusion that Israel has one of the largest gas and oil deposits in the world...

"...As such," Professor Branover concludes, "When the Rebbe spoke about the location of diamonds in the Zevulun Valley near the city of Haifa, it wasn't only a prophecy. Rather, it was **precise and absolute information** that was proven without a shadow of a doubt!"

⁶ Data is taken from the internet site www.givot.co.il.

⁷ Data from news sites.



Diamonds in the earth of the Land of Israel!

The Torah says about the Land of Israel⁸, “...*A land the L-rd, your G-d, looks after; the eyes of L-rd your G-d are always upon it, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year...*” The commentaries explain this pasuk to mean, in a nutshell, that generally speaking, since G-d endears and cherishes the Land of Israel, He alone watches over it (not through a “shliach”) and sees to all of its needs.

The “Maharal” from Prague⁹ offers a more profound explanation on the pasuk. He says, “...The Land of Israel was suitable enough to be the only land created upon the face of the earth, but since it’s impossible for so much holiness and divine flow to be contained in one place, G-d dispersed His kindness and created many other lands and consequently the entire world is nourished from the Land of Israel. When the Creator descends and gives sustenance to the Holy Land, He sustains, by the way, the other lands with it. Just as the heart is nourished from the best elements in the blood that runs through the body, while the rest of the blood reaches the different organs, so too the entire world is sustained from the abundant flow of the Land of Israel!...”

In the same parsha the Torah says¹⁰, “...*For G-d your G-d is bringing you to a good land, a land with brooks of water, fountains and depths that emerge in valleys and mountains, a land of wheat and barley, vines and figs and pomegranates, a land of oil producing olives and honey, a land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, you will lack nothing in it, a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose mountains you will hew copper...*”.

⁸ Devarim 11:12.

⁹ “Gur Arye On The Torah”, p. 52.

¹⁰ Devarim 8:7.



The **Midrash**¹¹ says about these pisukim, "...*Moshe Rabeinu showed them the Land of Israel's virtue, namely that it's more virtuous than any other land and is perfected in every manner. There are lands that produce a lot of grain but aren't wealthy with silver and gold. Their inhabitants have to work very hard to earn a living. There are lands that are wealthy with a lot of silver and gold but they don't have grain. However, the Land of Israel, just as it has a lot of grain and fruit, as was already mentioned, so too it's wealthy with silver, gold, iron and copper deposits, as it says in this pasuk...*"

The "**Or Hachaim Hakadosh**" explains, "...*Wealthy people hide their money and economize on their expenses fearing that maybe tragedy will strike, Heaven forefend, and they will lose all of their money or maybe jealous neighbors will see what they have. But in the Land of Israel, there's no reason to fear from such things, because its wealth comes from within the land and not from other places. As a result, all of its inhabitants are wealthy, as the pasuk says, "...A land in which you will eat bread without scarcity, you will lack nothing in it...*"

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The "**Ramban**" and the "**Rabeinu Bichayai**" explain why the Torah didn't praise the earth of the Land of Israel outright with silver, gold and precious stones. "...For the Torah didn't want to praise the Land with things that aren't vital to man's existence, but certainly the Land is also replete with these things!

From the Rebbe's words we also see that he clearly and especially relates to the discovery of diamonds in the Land of Israel. On the 15th of Shvat, 5752 (1992) the **Lubavitcher Rebbe** explained¹² in a special "sicha" in honor of the New Year for trees the teaching of the Baal Shem Tov on the pasuk "**...For you shall be a desirable land...**" "The Jewish nation is compared to land in which precious stones and gems are hidden. There is, however, a need to dig in special places and search the depths of the earth in order to find them. It's a hard thing to do, but the discovery is so much greater also." The Rebbe, at the end of the "sicha" said, "**...It should be G-d's will that we go to our Holy Land, the Land of Israel, the complete land, a land replete with precious stones and gems...**"

¹¹ "Yalkut Shimoni".

¹² "Hitvaaduyot" 5752 (1992), vol. 2.



From all of the above, one must conclude that there's no doubt that the earth of the Land of Israel contains all of the world's natural treasures, including and especially precious stones and gems. But based on what will be said later on, it will be understood that the land area that contains precious stones is concentrated in a unique area in the Land of Israel.

Diamonds in the portion of the tribe of Zevulun!

When Yaakov Avinu blessed the tribe of Zevulun, he said¹³, *“Zevulun will dwell on the coast of the seas; he [will be] at the harbor of the ships, and his boundary will be at Zidon.”* He alluded to the tribe's inheritance in the Land of Israel.

Indeed, when they divided the Land according to each tribe after Yehoshua's conquest, the Torah recounts the following¹⁴:

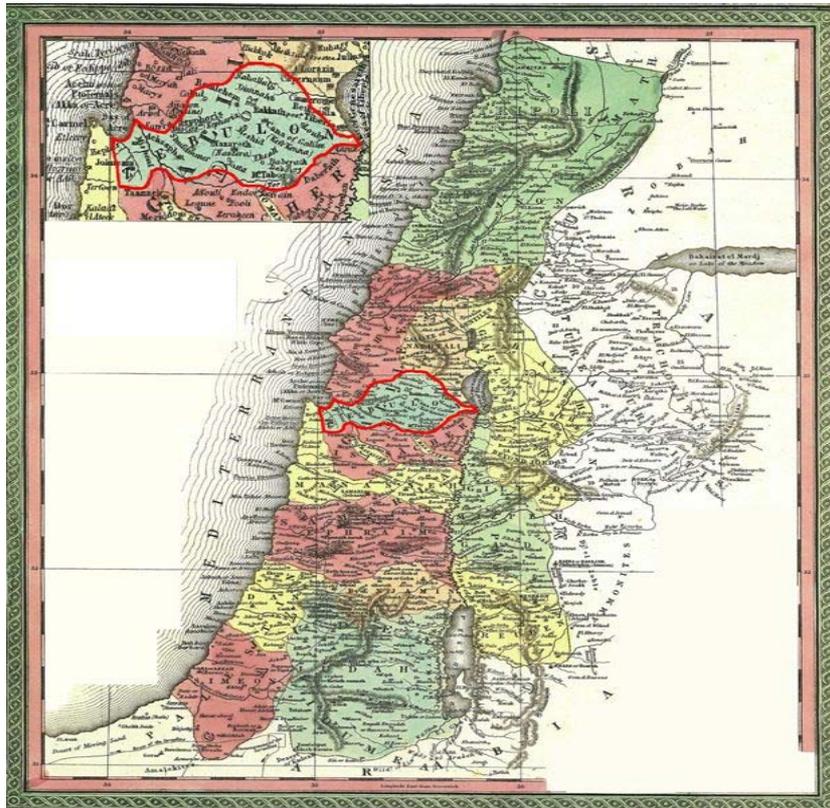
“...And the third lot came up for the children of Zevulun according to their families; and the border of their inheritance was to Sarid. And their border went up to the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbesheth, and reached the river that is before Jokneam. And it turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising on the border of Chisloth-tabor, and it went out to Dabrath, and went to Japhia. And from there it passed along on the east of Gath-hepher, to Ittah-kazzin, and it went out to Rimmon, and from there circled to Neah. And the border about it on the north side of Hannathon; and its outgoings were in the valley of Jiphthah-el. And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem; twelve cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Zevulun according to their families, these cities with their villages...”

¹³ Breishit 49:13.

¹⁴ Yehoshua 19:10.



Based on the maps of the commentaries, the tribe of Zevulun dwelled on the strip of land between the Galilee Sea and the Mediterranean, which is for the most part the area that's referred to today as the Zevulun Valley. It's situated at the bottom of Mt. Carmel and the city of Haifa.



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The Tribe of Zevulun's attributes and his portion in the Land are described in Moshe's blessing, as the pasuk says¹⁵, ***"...And to Zevulun he said, "Rejoice, Zevulun, in your departure, and Yisachar, in your tents. They will call peoples to the mountain; there, they will offer up righteous sacrifices. For they will be nourished by the abundance of the seas, and by the treasures hidden in the sand..."***

¹⁵ Devarim 33:18-19.



Rashi explains that Moshe Rabeinu combined the tribes of Zevulun and Yisachar into one blessing, because the two tribes made a partnership. When the members of the tribe of Yisachar will sit in the tents of Torah they will merit the tribe of Zevulun with their learning while the latter goes out, makes a living and take responsibility to sustain the tribe of Yisachar.

The “**Or Hachaim Hakadosh**” says, “Since a person doesn’t know whether or not he will succeed in business, therefore Moshe blessed the tribe of Zevulun and said, “...Rejoice, Zevulun (already), in your departure...” You certainly will succeed, because “...Yisachar, (is) in your tents...” You are a “shliach mitzvah” to sustain those who learn Torah (Yisachar).

Therefore, it’s understood that the members of the tribe of Zevulun needed a special blessing for wealth from G-d. The matter is even more apparent based on the words in the tractate of Megilah¹⁶ that describe the conversation between the tribe of Zevulun and G-d when the members of the tribe complained why their brothers received productive and green land, fields and vineyards but they were given mountains, hills, seas and rivers. The Creator of the world answered them, “...The entire nation needs the natural treasures that exists within your boundaries, as the pasuk says, “...***And by the treasures hidden in the sand...***”

The commentaries explain the wording in the pasuk¹⁷. “**There are vast amounts of natural treasures that are hidden in the sea and in the earth in the portion of the tribe of Zevulun. These treasures include the rare “chilazon” from whose blood the aqua color is obtained for “tzitzit”, precious stones and gems – diamonds – most of which afforded the Land of Israel vast wealth, generally speaking, and especially for the tribe of Zevulun!**”

Not only did the tribe of Zevulun use this abundance to do business with those that lived in Israel, they also and primarily did so with the nations of the world who came from all over the world to the Land of Israel to do business with the members of the tribe of Zevulun. The latter used the encounter to bring them to Jerusalem and publicize Judaism until these businessmen converted to Judaism.

¹⁶ Megilah 6:b.

¹⁷ “Meiam Loiez, Devarim, vol. 4.



The diamond, the tribe of Zevulun and the breastplate!

There is an additional and powerful connection between the tribe of Zevulun and the diamond. In the sections of the Torah that deal with the “mishkan” and its vessels there’s an account of a special garment that the High Priest wore, namely the **breastplate**. This article had embedded in it 12 rare precious stones. Each of the 12 stones had the name of one of the tribes engraved on it that uniquely matched that tribe’s attributes.

On this very issue, the Torah says¹⁸, “...*You shall make a choshen of judgment, the work of a master weaver. You shall make it like the work of the ephod; of gold, blue, purple, and crimson wool, and twisted fine linen shall you make it. It shall be square [and] doubled; its length one span and its width one span. And you shall fill into it stone fillings, four rows of stones. One row: odem, pitdah, and bareketh; thus shall the one row be. The second row: nofech, sappir, and yahalom. The third row: leshem, shevo, and achlamah. And the fourth row: tarshish, shoham, and yashpneh; they shall be set in gold in their fillings. And the stones shall be for the names of the Jewish nation twelve, corresponding to their names; [similar to] the engravings of a seal, every one according to his name shall they be, for the twelve tribes...*”

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Zevulun’s name was engraved on the diamond and placed on the breastplate according to the chronological order of birth of the tribes. Chazal¹⁹, headed by the Kabbalist **Rabbi Eliyahu Cohen**, one of the Chachamim of the city of Izmir during the 17th and 18th centuries, writes in his book “Midrash Talpiyot”, primarily a collection of Midrashim from the Talmud Bavli and Talmud Yerushalmi, as viewed according by the Kabbala, that “...The diamond is the most precious and and important gem in the entire world. An important sign and indication as to the discovery of the diamond

¹⁸ Shmot 28:15.

¹⁹ “Midrash Talpiyot”, Rabeinu Bichayai”, “Shiltei Giborim”.



in a certain area is the co-existence of another type of gem located nearby, a type of white glass that's called "kapishtalino" that's very similar in makeup to the diamond. (It should be noted that the only known stone in the world that shares similar characteristics with the diamond is the moissanite, an extremely rare gem. To date its size hasn't surpassed a few millimeters. Its weight and hardness measures 9.5 [as opposed to the diamond which is rated 10]. Its brilliance is similar to or even identical to the diamond! -The publisher). There are, however, two kinds of gems that are similar to the diamond. The diamond and the kapishtalino are so strong they can withstand being hit by a hammer and won't heat up in fire. Consequently, the diamond received the name "yahalom" in Hebrew, which has connotations of striking and breaking all other gems.²⁰.



²⁰ Picture – חשן משפט. Gems by Sevdermish, A. Mashiach.



Wearing the diamond on the left arm guarantees victory over one's enemies, even if they are mighty, giants or predators. Likewise, it will help remove fears and spells, for instinctively diamonds are generally speaking the lot of merchants and especially the lot of those who sail the seas, the tribe of Zevulun. The tribe's attributes match those of the gem in the respect that this tribe dwells next to the salty seashores. Consequently, its members were healthy and merited longevity, literally, similar to the diamond that endures for many years.

In addition, the diamond was given to Zevulun because he was wealthy. Their wealth was enunciated when Moshe Rabeinu's blessing this tribe. The pasuk says, *"...And by the treasures hidden in the sand..."* The blessing conveyed the message that in addition to the business the tribe did with merchants from far off countries, **Moshe Rabeinu was alluding to, with the words "...And by the treasures hidden in the sand...", the rich and vast diamond deposits and white glass – "kapishtalino" (moissanite – the publisher) that treasures are hidden in the mountainous area of the tribe of Zevulun. They did business with these things and became very wealthy.**

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It should be noted that one of the Jewish nation's famous wars took place²¹ in the land of the tribe of Zevulun and was referred to in the "Tanach" as "the War of Sisra". The Jews in the end were victorious with the assistance of, amongst other things, the main river that goes through the valley, the Kishon River. "Devorah's Song" recounts how the banks of the river overflowed and washed away the entire Canaani Army, including its chariots that were laden with gold, jewels, silver and gold.

²¹ Shoftim, 4:4.



Diamonds in the Messianic Era!

It says in “Pirkei Avot”²², **“Everything that G-d created in His world, He did not create but for His glory.”** The Chazal learn from here that every creature in the world of the blessed Creator has a purpose and function that will become evident with the passage of time, primarily in the future redemption. Also, everything that has to do with the precious stones and gems except for their use in the past on the High Priest’s breastplate will be revealed to us by the Prophets and Chazal in the Messianic Era.

The prophet of the redemption Yishayahu prophesizes the rise of the Jewish nation and its wealth after the long and difficult exile. Amongst the numerous prophesies in the end of days, the prophet says,²³ ***“...Poor tempestuous one, who was not consoled, behold I will set your stones with carbuncle, and I will lay your foundations with sapphires. And I will make your windows of jasper and your gates of carbuncle stones and all your border of precious stones...”***

Chazal and the commentaries explain²⁴ that **“...G-d will build the third Beit Hamikdash and the entire Jerusalem in the future from precious gems that glow like fire to the point that precious gems will roll around in the streets of Jerusalem like a stone that has no use...”**.

The Midrash continues on the same theme and says²⁵, **“...Our Rabbis said that the day Moshe Rabeinu passed away, G-d lifted him into the heights, showed him his reward and what will be in the future. He saw G-d build the Beit Hamikdash with precious stones and gems. A ray of the Divine Presence was between each stone, better than gems. Moshe Rabeinu understood that the House that G-d will build with his hand in the heavens with precious stones and gems and the ray**

²² Pirkei Avot 6:11.

²³ Yishayahu 54:11-12.

²⁴ Targum Yonatan, Rashi, Radak, Metzudot.

²⁵ Otzar Hamidrashem, Eisenstein, p. 2.



of the Divine Presence will be the House that will stand for the Jewish nation forever and ever until the end of all generations...”.

The Talmud recounts²⁶ how Rabbi Yochanan would lecture in his “beit midrash” in the city of Tzipori and describe how G-d will build the eastern gate of the Beit Hamikdash with 2 doorways made from one precious gem the size of about 30 “amot” (about 18 meters). The Midrash continues and recounts²⁷ that “...A Jew, a Chassid, walked along the shores of Haifa (!) and thought to himself if it would be possible to find precious stones so big that could be used for the building of the Beit Hamikdash. A miracle took place and the sea parted. He saw ministering angels cutting huge stones for the Beit Hamikdash!.....

²⁶ Baba Batra 75:a.

²⁷ Yalkut Shimoni.



The Rebbe's prophecies materialize

In recent months there was some news in the Israeli financial media about the “**Shefa Yamim**” This company looks for precious stones in the earth of the Land of Israel and is presently issuing equities on the Israeli Stock Exchange.

One can see on the company's internet site that in the year 5759²⁸ (1999) that a group of Chabad Chassidim, led by Reb Avraham (Avi) Taub, established the “Shefa Yamim Co. Ltd.” Its purpose is to locate precious stones and gems, a venture that's based on the Rebbe's explicit words to the mayor of Haifa then, Mr. Arye Gorel.....²⁹

“... In Haifa, there is a sea. One shouldn't become intimidated by something that is deep. The uniqueness of Haifa are: that it has a sea, and it has a valley - and in the valley are precious stones and gems. The Holy One, Blessed Be He, did a wondrous thing; he concealed them in the depths of the earth, and in any case, in the depth of the ploughed field...”

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The company focuses its search of precious stones and gems along the river bed of the Kishon River in Zevulun Valley, the Carmel Mountain Range and the area of Ramot Menashe.

While drilling and taking soil samples, new things were discovered, including a stone that's the source of diamonds (kimberlite), **77 diamonds** of various sizes (micro-macro), hundreds of thousands of mineral indicators that accompany diamonds and gems such as sapphires, rubies and moissanite (a precious and rare stone that was recently discovered whose size was 3.5 millimeters. Experts claim that it is the biggest one of its kind in the world).

As a result of the recent most amazing discoveries, the company is focusing its efforts in the precise location of deposits in order to open up mines and extracting the natural treasures that are hidden in the earth of the Land of Israel.

²⁸ Refer to the internet site www.shefayamim.com.

²⁹ The conversation was documented on video and jotted down quickly, the contents of which was quoted in the book “Zoreia Tzedakot Matzmiach Yeshuot”. The book is replete with pure statements, blessings and directives from the Rebbe while giving out dollars in order that every one should be a “shliach” and fulfill the mitzvah of charity (p. 104). The book was published on the 12th of Tamuz 5753 (1993).



The most important thing is actual deed!

On the Shabbat Torah portions of “Acharei – Kidoshim” 5751 (1991)³⁰ the **Lubavitcher Rebbe** explained that as we near the redemption, new material and spiritual matters are being discovered that until then were concealed. Some of these things include, the Rebbe notes, precious stones and gems – diamonds that are being discovered around the world with G-d’s blessing. The objective is to use these things for additional charity, bring good and kindness into the world and bring the true and complete redemption.

In a time when the entire world is in a financial crisis, words of Torah, the Midrashim, the commentaries and of course the Lubavitcher Rebbe’s precise prophetic visions have completely materialized the globe over, leaving no room for doubt! The Rebbe himself said on the 24th of Menachem Av 5751 (July 4, 1991) while also giving out dollars to the Chairman of the Israel Investment Fund in the United States, Mr. Mordechai David Segal,

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“...The Land of Israel is one of the surest places on the Globe, that’s means that everyone who is depositing his assets, his money, in the Land of Israel – that is the surest bank that exist in our time ...!”

³⁰ “Hitvaaduyot” 5751, vol. 3.