



## You're Hashem's Whole World!

**And on that day, Hashem will beat out [the peoples like grain] from the channel of the Euphrates to the Wadi of Egypt; and you shall be picked up one by one, O children of Israel!** (Haftorah Shemos, Yeshayah 27:12)

*...the day of the gathering of the exiles is so important and is attended with such difficulty that it is as though He (Hashem) Himself must actually seize hold of each individual's hands dragging him from his place, as it is said, (Yeshayah 27:12) "and you shall be picked up one by one, O children of Yisroel! (Rashi Devarim 30:3)*

What is the great difficulty involved in bringing back *klal Yisroel* from their exile? Will not we all come running? Why will Hashem have to drag us back?

This can be explained according to the following Zohar (Vol. 3 pg.6a):

*The king, upon having a falling out with his wife, threw her out of his palace for a specific amount of time. When the allotted time passed she returned to him. This occurred once, and then again. However, the third time this occurred, infuriated, the king sent her far away for an extended period. Eventually, missing her terribly, the king turned to his advisors, saying, "This time my wife will not return on her own. Rather, I, together with the entire royal court must go out to search for her and bring her back." When the king finally found his wife, she was wallowing in dirt. All were witness to the great honor she received as the mighty king begged her to return to him. Finally, he grabbed her by the hand, lifted her up and led her back to the palace promising her that he will never part with her again. So too with *klal Yisroel*. We ourselves returned to Hashem at the culmination of our first and second exiles. However, in our current exile this will not occur. Rather, Hashem himself will take us **by the hand** and lift us up, pacifying us as he returns us home forever.*

This explains the great difficulty involved in the gathering of the exiles and Hashem's need to "drag" *klal Yisroel* back by the hand, but why does the *passuk* say: *and you shall be picked up **one by one** O children of Yisroel*, instead of simply referring to *klal Yisroel* as one whole? It seems that not only will *klal Yisroel* as a nation be so honored by Hashem Himself begging us, so to speak, to return to Him, but each and every Jew individually is deserving and therefore will exclusively receive this great honor from the Creator of heaven and earth, our dear Father! All will witness the great honor each and every Jew will independently receive as Hashem "*will take us **by the hand** and lift us up, pacifying us as he returns us home forever.*" For not merely as one whole is *klal Yisroel* the Creator's eternal beloved, rather, each member of our nation is His individual cherished beloved! Such is the greatness inherent in each and every Jew! Such is the exclusive personal relationship we each have with Hashem!

