

# **JEW'S HAVE FAITH ONLY IN HASHEM**

## **BULLETIN 29**

### **PROPHECIES FULFILLED IN RECENT TIMES**

Many years before the Nazi rise to power, R. Meir Simcha Hakohen, in his Meshech Chochmah, alluded to this future development when he commented upon the verse, "I will not cast them away, nor will I abhor them, to destroy them utterly" (Vayikra 26:44):

The Jew will forget his origin and true identity and consider himself a full-fledged citizen of the country of his exile. He will abandon his study of Torah for the study of languages and culture foreign to him. He will, choose to learn from the depraved and not from the upright. He will consider Berlin to be his new Jerusalem and follow the example of the more degenerate of the Gentiles and not of the decent ones. Do not rejoice, O Israel, do not exult like the nations, lest a stormy wind brew and viciously uproot you from the trunk and deposit you in a distant country whose language you know not. Then you will know that you are a stranger.

### **WHEN YOU SEE YOUR FRIEND DOING WRONG YOU MUST TELL HIM WITH LOVE**

Some sins are so great that those who commit them are not afforded Divine assistance to repent. Included among them is one who was able to rebuke others, be it a group or individuals, and did not do so but left them in their backsliding. (Rambam Hilchos Teshuva 4:1)

Those who rebuke the people sweeten the heavenly decrees and increase peace on the world. But when the wickedness of the people overrules and spoils the rebuke and admonition, the peace on this world is ruined and this causes an expulsion and strife (Likute Eitzot, Erech Tochacha)

If a Rabbi of a congregation is liked by his congregants (It is not so because they are so good but rather) it is a sign that he does not admonish them on matters pertaining to heaven (Ketuvot 105)

**DID YOU NOTICE THAT THE FURTHER PEOPLE  
ARE FROM THE TRUTH THE MORE THEY CONSIDER  
SOMEONE WHO TURNS AWAY FROM EVIL TO BE A  
FOOL? REBBE NACHMAN, SEFER HA MIDDOT, EMET**