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Final Mishmar

- What did we learn?
- What can we do with it?
- How can we internalize these lessons?

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Garden Work: Kotzair

- Harvest: Radish, Arugula, Snowpeas
- Weeding all beds
- Mulch ALL beds with Salt Hay

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39 Melachot: Making the most of our weekdays, making Shabbos the most awesome

Exodus 35:2: Six days shall work be done, but on the seventh day there shall be to you a holy day, a sabbath of solemn rest to the LORD; whosoever doeth any work therein shall be put to death.

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Akeidat Yitzchak 55:3-6:

Since man has not been created to sit idle, with his hands folded in his lap, it is fitting that his activities should be commensurate with the lofty status he occupies in this universe. The philosopher Aristotele illustrates this premise by two examples. In the first example he describes the relationship of superior beings to their inferiors. In the second example he describes the relationship of the whole to its constituent parts. If an artisan ruins his reputation by failing to live up to what is expected of a man of his calling, how much more does man forfeit his claim to superior status in this universe if he fails to employ the talents with which he has been endowed? Every part of the human body is designed and exists for the performance of some distinct function. Failure or inability to perform this function, robs that part of the claim to be what it is commonly called.

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Lessons from the garden - Uprooting bad habits when we uproot weeds

Reb Zusha was laying on his deathbed surrounded by his disciples. He was crying and no one could comfort him. One student asked his Rebbe, "Why do you cry? You were almost as wise as Moses and as kind as Abraham." Reb Zusha answered, "When I pass from this world and appear before the Heavenly Tribunal, they won't ask me, 'Zusha, why weren't you as wise as Moses or as kind as Abraham,' rather, they will ask me, 'Zusha, why weren't you Zusha?' Why didn't I fulfill my potential, why didn't I follow the path that could have been mine."

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Caring for the earth & all creatures - Babylonian Talmud Shabbat 151b

כל המרחם על הבריות מרחמין עליו מן השמים

Anyone who is compassionate to creatures receives compassion from the heavens.

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2 Personal Goals

- 1.
- 2.

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How will I accomplish these goals?

- 1.
- 2.