

Lost Princess: Stories Awaken Our Hearts

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Overview: *What did Rebbe Nachman mean that listening to his stories can help barren women get pregnant?*

Stories have the ability to drill deep into our hearts, even further than a Torah shiur itself. Rav Moshe Weinberger discusses the power of stories to bring people closer to Hashem.

When people go to hear shiurim that would help them overcome their challenges they won't hear it, but a story? That's different.

Nothing addresses this better than the story of the Toldos Yaakov Yosef coming close to the Baal Shem Tov.

Ultimately a story transfers the *da'as* – knowledge or consciousness of the Tzaddik into the receiver, just like a barren woman who becomes pregnant; ultimately giving birth to

what he is really supposed to be.