

Uman Uman Rosh HaShannah

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Anyone even slightly familiar with Rebbe Nachman's teachings knows of the paramount importance attached to this holiday within Breslov circles. From far and near, people came to Rebbe Nachman for Rosh Hashana, to spend the beginning of the year with him. Even after his passing, this practice continued. Breslovers flocked to Uman to pray at Rebbe Nachman's grave on the eve of Rosh Hashana and attend the *kibutz*, the gathering of his followers, on the holiday. The thought of not being present at the *kibutz* for Rosh HaShannah never entered the mind of the committed chasid. The reasons, though many, really boil down to faith in the Tzaddik and his teachings. The Rebbe himself put it this way: "My Rosh HaShannah is greater than everything ... No one should be missing! My very essence is Rosh HaShannah!" (Tzaddik #403)

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QUESTIONS TO OUR READERS:

Are you planning on going to Uman this Rosh HaShannah and what are your motivations in going?

Is this your first time or have you been many times before?

What barriers or encouragements are you encountering?

If you have been before what were your experiences there?

Please use the comment section below to answer these questions and contribute your voice to the discussion.