Take Me Home: Who's in Charge Here? #1

TIMES OF CHANGE

It's a blustery, windy day. You grab onto your yarmulka and hold your illustrated Chumash (you have a test tomorrow) tighter. I must make it to the bus! you think as you race around the corner. It's wayyy too cold for me to wait for the next one! Thankfully, the bus driver notices you coming and reopens the door for you before pulling out of the bus stop. Phew!

If this was taking place just one hundred years ago, your thoughts might have gone something like this: Oh no! It's windy! I hope that it doesn't blow my cap off. If those wild teenagers over there see my yarmulka, that's not good news. Okay, I am going to have to review Chumash tonight baal peh because the government doesn't allow us to print more Chumashim and there was none for me to take home today... Oh no! A policeman! RUNNN!

It's definitely way, way better to be a Yid in 2022. Anti-semitism is against the law, not the law itself. We have Jewish schools, Jewish stores, Jewish factories... You could almost say that we live in a Jewish world! Sounds like the times of Moshiach, doesn't it?



Trivia Challenge

Who was the first US president to meet with a Chabad Rebbe?



Let's Discuss!

What are some ways that Yiddishkeit may have been more difficult to observe for your grandparents than for you?



Niggun Note

וָהִיא שֵׁעַמִדָה לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְלַנוּ, שֵׁלֹא אֱחַד בִּלְבַד עמד עלינו לכלותנו אלא שבכל דור ודור

עוֹמְדִים עַלֵינוּ לְכַלּוֹתֵנוּ וְהַקַּדוֹשׁ בַּרוּךְ הוּא מַצִּילֵנוּ מִיַּדִם This niggun, which is part of the first half of our Pesach seder, talks about the long, dark golus—where Paraoh impersonators like Haman, Hitler and Hussein tried to destroy the Yiddishe nation, but Hashem has saved us every time!



Life Lesson

When you notice the changes that the world has gone through in the last century, and how it has become a better place for Yidden, you will realize how we are getting closer and closer to the Geulah. We need to remember that we live in a Moshiach world!"



Mission of the Week

One time that you go out this week, take a moment to appreciate how you are able to walk in the street proudly without having to live in fear or hide your Jewishness!

ANSWER: President Hoover met with the Frierdiker Rebbe in 1930 at the White House.

Shared at the Shabbos table!

Read me to your family and guests (they can help with the different roles!) and return to school for a chance to win a prize!

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