Moshiach-Minded

Sleep Tight!

When's the best time to sleep: on a long Shabbos afternoon—when the house is calm and quiet, or while a raging battle roars outside?

A time of war doesn't seem like the best time for rest, yet that's what Chizkiyahu Hamelech did! On the first day of Pesach, while Sancheiriv Melech Ashur's powerful army surrounded Yerushalayim, Chizkiyahu peacefully slept.

Why? He had called Yeshaya Hanovi to ask, "What nevua do you have from Hashem?" Would the Jews be victorious over their enemies? The novi promised that Yerushalayim would stay safe.

The king trusted the nevua completely. As armed soldiers mobilized outside the city in an effort to force the Yidden to surrender, Chizkiyahu stayed calm—calm enough to sleep through the night. While he rested, Hashem sent a malach who killed Sancheiriv's soldiers—and Yerushalayim was saved!



- ☐ I shared a yom tov sicha at my seuda
- ☐ I listened to the special Haftorah about Moshiach

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Take It All In

Our faith in the geula needs to be as strong as Chizkiyahu's. Hashem promised that He would redeem us, so even if it does not seem possible, we have trust. And our bitachon helps bring Moshiach sooner.

How can we feel such a strong trust that the geula is near? It's not as hard as it sounds. By eating matza and drinking wine at the Moshiach seuda, that belief actually becomes part of us.

Can you use the letters of the correct answers below to find out what to have in mind when you drink the four cups?



What happened on the first day of Pesach?

- M) Sancheiriv tried forcing Yidden to surrender
- L) The Beis Hamikdosh was surrounded
- G) Chizkiyahu Hamelech fought the Ashur army

What was Yeshayahu Hanovi's nevua?

- E) Hashem would help King Chizkiyahu fight
- O) Yerushalayim would not be conquered
- I) Yerushalayim would not be destroyed

What did Chizkiyahu Hamelech do while Ashur's army attacked?

- K) Fought back
- D) Davened
- S) Slept

Why did Chizkiyahu do that?

- EE) He was tired
- NY) He needed energy to fight
- HI) He trusted that Hashem would save them

How must we feel about Moshiach?

- O) Better not to think about it
- Y) Moshiach may come
- A) I truly trust that he is on the way

What helps us internalize bitachon?

- CK) Learning
- ET) Singing
- CH) Eating

Further reading: Take it All in: Likkutei Sichos, Chelek 7, pg. 272

"We have in mind that _ _ _ _ is coming right now."



☐ At a seudas Moshiach, I ate matzo and drank four cups of wine (or grape juice) while having in mind that Moshiach is coming