



THE TRIBE SCRIBE

SHOFETIM: YOU'RE INVITED!

WE'VE JUST BEGUN THE MONTH OF ELUL - THE MONTH OF PREPARATION.



PREPARATION? WE'RE ALL READY, SCHOOL'S STARTED.

THIS ISN'T ABOUT SCHOOL DAN, ELUL IS THE TIME TO PREPARE FOR THE UPCOMING HIGH HOLYDAYS - ROSH HASHANA AND YOM KIPPUR.



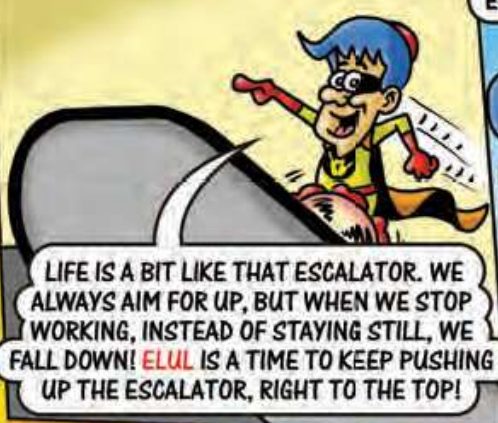
OH! THAT KIND OF PREPARATION. LIKE THINKING ABOUT THE YEAR BEHIND US AND HOW WE CAN MAKE THE COMING YEAR EVEN BETTER. AND DON'T WE BLOW THE SHOFAR?

SHO-FAR, SHO GOOD! WE BLOW THE SHOFAR EVERY WEEKDAY MORNING OF ELUL AS A WAKE-UP CALL THAT GOD IS APPROACHING. REMEMBER ROSH HASHANA LAST YEAR WHEN WE BLEW A SUPERHERO TEKIA GEDOLA! IT WAS NEARLY AN HOUR!! BEAT THAT THIS YEAR... GOD HAS INVITED US TO BE PART OF SOMETHING REALLY SPECIAL - ROSH HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR. ELUL IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO PREPARE FOR THE EVENTS SO THAT WE CAN SHOW UP AT OUR BEST!



EVER TRIED TO RUN UP A DOWN ESCALATOR? IF YOU STOP FOR A SECOND, YOU GO STRAIGHT DOWN. YOU'VE GOT TO KEEP AT IT, JUST TO STAY IN THE SAME PLACE AND ZOOM TO ACTUALLY GET UP.

THE HEBREW WORD **ELUL** אלוּל IS AN ACRONYM FOR 'I AM FOR MY BELOVED, AND MY BELOVED IS FOR ME.' DON'T STRESS OUT FROM THE EFFORT, GOD LOVES US AND IS WAITING FOR US TO COME CLOSE!



LIFE IS A BIT LIKE THAT ESCALATOR. WE ALWAYS AIM FOR UP, BUT WHEN WE STOP WORKING, INSTEAD OF STAYING STILL, WE FALL DOWN! ELUL IS A TIME TO KEEP PUSHING UP THE ESCALATOR, RIGHT TO THE TOP!



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