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Attention to Detail

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It was time for our forefather Yaakov to move on to his next place of dwelling, the city of Charan. It was there that he was destined to find his wives, the future mothers of the twelve tribes of Israel.

The verse tells us, “Yaakov left Be’er Sheva and went to Charan.” The commentators are puzzled: Why is it necessary for the Torah to tell us where Yaakov left from? Wouldn’t it be sufficient for the verse to tell us his destination?

Rabbi Moshe Feinstein (1895-1986), the leading halachic authority of his generation, derives an important lesson from this verse.

Hashem is constantly placing us in different types of situations. Sometimes, however, we only focus on Hashem’s guiding Hand as it pertains to the major ramifications of the decisions we make. We don’t always look at every detail that goes into these decisions.

The Torah is telling us that Yaakov was going to Charan. The main reason was for Yaakov to get married and start building the Nation of Israel. Nevertheless, every step of the way leading up to his arrival at Charan was also calculated to the smallest detail.

That is the significance of the verse telling us that “Yaakov left Be’er Sheva.” From the time he left until he arrived at his destination, Hashem guided his every step.

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Rabbi Pruzansky, teaching in Kollel, 2005

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