

We Go, We Know Not Where

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Parshat Bo

We will not know with what to serve the Eternal until we get there.
(Exodus 10:26)

Rebbe Yitzhak Meir of Ger interprets this stich metaphorically. We cannot gauge the true value of our service to G*d, he says, until we reach "there," the upper world. Only in the World to Come will we know whether our service was pleasing to G*d, and we are therefore obligated continually to strive to better our service.

Building on the Gerer's interpretation, we understand this as a statement of profound faith, akin to Abraham's having been commanded (Genesis 12:1), **Go to a place which I shall show thee.** Abraham is commanded to go until he arrives, he knows not where.

He knows not where, but he will know when he gets there, and we, too, are on a spiritual journey whose destination we will not know until we reach it.

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Shabbat Shalom.

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