



Student Dvar Torah - Parashat Tetzaveh
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In this week's Parashah Hashem gives very specific details on how he wants the Kohanim's clothing made. Since this entire process requires very precise work, Hashem wanted the clothes to be made by (28:3): "The wise-hearted people whom I have invested with the spirit of wisdom." The question is asked, what does it mean that Hashem invested wisdom? To invest simply means to give money with the expectation of achieving a profit in the future. Therefore, Hashem trusted only the people that he "invested with wisdom" to be the ones in charge of making the Kohanim clothing, and not the ones he invested with musical talent to do that very detailed job.

We learn from this an important life lesson. Hashem invests in each and every one of his children when he gives us a special talent. This is a gift from Hashem in music, art, cooking, sports, friendship and so many other things. This gift is such a brachah for the person who has it that that person cannot understand why it doesn't come so easily to one that doesn't have it. However, with this gift comes a responsibility. The responsibility for Hashem to benefit from it, to get a return on his investment. Would you go to a bank that doesn't give you back interest? Of course not! So why would Hashem invest in us if we don't give him back thanks, responsibility, and appreciation. Hashem made us all with the potential of greatness in us. We are born with a given talent to make the world a better place. If that talent is ignored Hashem will take back his investment. Instead channel the talents Hashem has gifted to you and appreciate them. In return you will have pure joy and reach your great potential, while watching the continuous investments Hashem will provide you.