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- 4... Person has ability to influence his surroundings, to make the world a decent, productive place; proposal for a “moment of silence”; President's proclamation.
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- 3... Lesson from the twelfth of Nissan, when the prince of Naftali brought his offering — one's service must be on the level of the Patriarchs, self-nullification; faith must permeate a Jew to the extent that his self becomes nullified before G-d.
- 4... One must first “take” largesse — and then worry what to do with it; illustration from story concerning the Tzemach Tzedek and R. Yekusiel Liepler — one must fulfill Rebbe's mission with self-nullification.
- 5... Analysis of Rashi on ch. 16, verse 3 of parshas Acharei — “With this Aharon shall enter the Sanctuary.”
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