

## ELUL...

This month ushers in the journey back HOME...

30 Days till the start of our New Year...

40 Days till the Day of At-ONE-ment records our name in the Book of Life.

This month is the Road to RETURN...

Not a return to a physical space,  
but to a sense of being in the world that affirms our place,  
and celebrates our purpose...

A coming back HOME

to the most life-affirming, celebratory selves we can be.

BUT how do we do it?...

After all, for many if not most of us, it's a long way to make it "back home."

Here's the transformative power of the path that leads us back...

The Rebbe asked the gathered members of his congregation one Elul morning after prayer: "If you are going East and suddenly, you decide you want to travel West, how far do you have to go?" The Rebbe's congregants began giving him all kinds of complex answers, until finally the Rebbe stopped them with his wise reply. "If you are traveling East, and you want to go West, all you have to do is turn yourself around. The journey starts with a single step in your desired direction...Just one step!"

NOW is our time for seeing where life is leading us,  
and deciding if we are satisfied that we are heading in the right direction...  
recognizing, starting on our pathway down that Road to Return  
requires but a single step.

Over the next four weeks we will share inspiration from different LT voices,  
key members each sharing personal feelings about what it takes to muster the  
strength of spirit, to discover the inner life-direction, the commitment of  
heart...to find our way "back Home."

Knowing the journey is unique to each one of us,  
yet shared as a people connected in Covenant...  
Our hope is that as we walk that path—knowing we are all searching,  
We can help one another find the way home...

Wishing you sweetness with every step,

Jeffrey