

Hayom Yom: 28 Iyar

Day 43 of the Omer

בְּאַחַד הַחֲזִיוֹנוֹת לַיְלָה שֶׁרָאָה הַצַּמַּח צְדֵק אֶת רִבְנוֹ הַזֶּקֶן, בְּתוֹךְ שְׁלֹשִׁים לְהִסְתַּלְקוּתוֹ, אָמַר לְפָנָיו הַמְּאָמֵר עַל שְׁלֹשָׁה דְבָרִים הָעוֹלָם עוֹמֵד. אַחֲרֵי הַמְּאָמֵר אָמַר לוֹ: אִישׁ מִזְרִיעַ תְּחִלָּה יוֹלְדֵת נִקְבָּה – זֶהוּ אִמָּךְ. אִשָּׁה מִזְרַעַת תְּחִלָּה יוֹלְדֵת זָכָר – זֶהוּ אָתָּה.

In one of the nighttime visions in which the Tzemach Tzedek saw [his maternal grandfather,] the Alter Rebbe, within thirty days of the latter's passing, [the Alter Rebbe] delivered a maamar [based on the teaching of the mishnah],¹ "The world stands on three things..." After delivering the maamar, the Alter Rebbe [quoted and interpreted a Talmudic teaching]: "When a man gives seed first, a female is conceived."² This alludes to your mother.³ 'When a woman gives seed first, a male is conceived.' This refers to you."⁴
