

*As the new year enters,
I wanted to wish you a*

Shana Tova

*A year of
inspiration,
growth,
happiness
and lots of
Hatzlachah!*

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During the month of Elul we recite twice daily the words "One thing I asked of God, this shall I seek - that I dwell in the House of God all the days of my life, to behold the sweetness of God and to contemplate His Sanctuary" (Psalms 27:4). One thing I asked and no more - no confusion. There must be a single desire, and no more. One must be as decisive in his desire to dwell in the House of God as our ancestors were to receive the Tablets of the Covenant in the month of Elul.

At the beginning of the same Psalm 27, it is written, "Though war would arise against me, in this I trust." The commentator R' Avraham Ibn Ezra explains that the words "in this" refer to the continuation the following verse - "One thing I asked of God." This single request is what provides us with trust and security.

May it be God's will that our prayers become the desire of the entire Jewish people for the coming year.

From a shiur by Rabbi Avraham Sapira ZTL- [see all](#)

