Parshas Vayakhel-Pekudei

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This week's *Parsha*, by the building of the *Mishkan*, says that Moshe called forth "all those whose hearts lifted them", to use their skills to help build the *Mishkan*. The *Ramban* says that this refers to the wise men who would be the builders, as opposed to the donators, who were described as "those whose spirits made them generous." The reason why the builders are called "those whose hearts lifted them", is because they didn't have any way of knowing all the skills necessary to build a *Mishkan*, and there was no way for them to learn either! **They somehow found the abilities and skills within themselves, and their hearts "lifted them and gave them the incredible confidence to go to Moshe and say -"we can do whatever you need us to do! "**

But how is that possible? How can someone make themselves confident enough to know they can help something so holy and complex? Who says they really have the skills in an area in which they have no experience? Isn't it just arrogance to say you can do it if you don't know whether you can or not?!

We see from here the power of bitachon, desire and confidence! These increidble people were zoche their hearts getting "lifted"! They trusted in *Hashem* so much that when they saw *Hashem* had given them those abilities and skills, they were confident that Hashem would in fact help them build everything perfectly. This is the feeling of "hearts lifting them" that we can tap into within our own lives. We can find whenever qualities *Hashem* gives us and if we have a strong desire then we can be confident that *Hashem* will help us use them for whatever he needs us to accomplish!