

Parshas Toldos Shmuz by Rabbi Shimon Max Written over by Shmuli Stern 27 Cheshvan 5782 November 2nd 2021

The Pasuk (24,3) says that Avrohom made Eliezer swear to take a wife for Yitzchak from Avrohom's family and not the daughters of Cana'an. **Avrohom then told Eliezer that if he wasn't able to find a wife from that family he would be absolved from that swearing and he could take a wife from the daughters of Cana'an.**

The Ralbag (In Toeles Chamishi) says that we learn out that a person should not weaken after failing to get the best choice, but rather do hishtadlus to get whatever he can get even if its 2nd best.

The obvious question is that this is obvious!? Of course you take what you can get!

It seems from here that human nature is such that if I can't get perfect I don't even want 2nd best! By nature there's a weakening, a lack of excitement because people want and think they need perfection and if they can't get it they can't get it, they're not interested. And it's something we have to concentrate to resist and always still get excited over whatever we can get!