

## Ultimate Parsha continued...

He suggests that remaining neutral is not a long-term solution, because those who do not move toward positivity will naturally be drawn toward negativity instead.

For example, when hearing a negative comment about a person, we have three possible types of responses: 1) rebuking the person making the comment [positive], 2) listening to the comment and making no response at all [neutral], 3) responding enthusiastically and endorsing the comment [negative]. However, it's not difficult to see how the neutral non-response can be interpreted as encouragement, leading to more negative comments being shared in the future.

With this idea in mind, may we all strive, for an actively **positive** response to the challenges we face in our daily lives.

Shabbat Shalom,

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