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It is not at all pleasant to conjure up these ideas. They often instill anxiety in the human heart. But it is impossible to close one's eyes and not to see the facts as they really are. R. Israel had previously illustrated this by an analogy; "It is comparable to the case of a man afraid of thunder and lightning. Every time he hears a thunder clap — he hides, frightened, under his pillows and stops up his ears so as not to hear."" One must look with open eyes and know what lies ahead of him. Then he will have no reason to be afraid.

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