

## This is the law of the Olah/Elevation-offering. (6:2)

*Rashi* explains that “This is the law of the *Olah*-offering,” is an inclusionary phrase. The Torah teaches us that one “law” includes all offerings that have been *alu*, placed on the *Mizbayach*, Altar. Even if they had been *pesullin*, disqualified, and therefore should not have been placed on the *Mizbayach* in the first place, we say: *Im alu lo yeirdu*, “If they ascend, they should not descend.” This is derived from *Zos HaTorah* – “Every instance that the Torah writes, ‘This is the law,’ it comes to include something.” In this case, all disqualified *korbanos*, which must be allowed to remain on the *Mizbayach* until they burn up, are included.

*Horav Moshe, zl, m’Kubrin*, renders this *pasuk* homiletically: *Zos HaTorah* – “This is the benefit/advantage of studying Torah.” Even those who, for some reason, later deviated and became *pasul*, disqualified, *lo yeirdu*, they will not descend. Any person who has studied Torah has been infused with a spiritual antibody that protects him forever. He is never lost. There is a GPS homing device imbedded deeply within him. He picked up this device when he studied Torah. It allows him to always find his way back home – to Torah, to observance, to Hashem. One who has once learned is never lost. The light of the Torah serves as a beacon to guide him back.