# The World in the Year 2058

(As Predicted in 1958)

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ur grandchildren will learn Torah from the greatest scholars through television, which will reach the most remote points of the world. By means of a television, a mother will be able to supervise her children from afar. Every telephone will be connected to a television so that the persons speaking can see each other. It will be possible to make a phone call from anywhere in the world; you will even be able to connect while out on the street.

Thanks to electronics it will be possible to avoid car accidents.

Cars will be equipped with sensitive instruments that will signal approaching danger. Airplanes will be able to take off and land anywhere and in any weather.

Travels to the stratosphere will be commonplace. It will be as simple to use nuclear energy as to use matches.

# The household—a paradise for the housewife

The apartment will be a paradise for the housewife, and her work will be much easier. She will have a washing machine that runs without water. You can switch, add, and remove walls in the house. All cooking will be electric, and it will only take a few minutes. You will not clean with soap but with electricity. We are close to the day when the housewife will pick up the telephone in her car and order the cooking machine in her kitchen to cook lunch. The movement of sound waves will activate the cooking

device in the kitchen, and the cooking will last only as long as necessary. Everything will be ready when the housewife arrives at home.

There will be no telephone wires or electrical cables. Nor will there be electric lights. The walls and the ceiling will give light whenever necessary. It will also be possible to change the color of the light according to the individual's wish. The temperature in every room will be adapted to the needs. There will be invisible television screens on the wall. Heat will come from nuclear energy. If so desired, the house can be isolated against every noise coming from outside.

### Fashion in the year 2058

It is difficult to predict what women's fashion will be like in 100 years. But a continued increase in the use of plastic materials is already discernable today. Already today pure silk, wool, or cotton are hardly used. According to the opinion of experts the clothing in 100 years will be protected against stains and damage. Clothing will come with a net of metal thread and microtubes for all kinds of needs, such as cooling and heating.

### Means of transportation without wheels

In the future our means of transportation will have no wheels. They will hover slightly above the ground, and therefore many accidents will be avoided. Trains will not need any tracks. Energy will be derived from the sun, from nuclear materials, or from cosmic rays. Trains will not need locomotives. Human supervision will only be needed to avoid disturbances caused by rain or snow. The shape of our means of transportation will not be rectangular as today but round or tubular, like the shape of a cigarette.

Experts predict that it will be easier to drive cars, despite being more solidly built. They will also be more beautiful. Although they will travel at higher speeds, they will be safer. Nowadays cars are twice as durable as they were a few years ago, and development will continue in this direction. Cars will be produced from materials that are lighter but stronger.

