

GOODNESS OF TORAH

טוֹב לִי תוֹרַת פִּיךָ *Tov Li Torat Picha*
(The Torah of Your Mouth is Good for Me)

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Strollin' in a foreign land
I reached a stranger with an outstretched hand.
He (She) welcomed me to his (her) hometown,
Asking me to stay around. ***Tov Li Torat*** —

He (She) offered feasts of no compare,
Clothes that only Kings (Queens) would wear,
Money, mansions, cars & jewels,
Then I found the town had no Torah. **chorus**

Bridge:
Feasts fill the stomach,
Wisdom - the brain.
Clothes enhance the body,
Knowledge - the mind.
Money can't buy
peace, love & happiness,
But the Torah teaches
all these assets. **chorus**

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Tov li Torat, Torat picha mei ahl-fei zah-hav vah-Cha-sehf

Rabbi Yosei ben Kisma

“The Torah of your mouth is worth more to me than thousands of gold & silver.”