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FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

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Dear Norman,

נרמן נר

Forgive my ~~silence~~ in writing now, having put off too many times a friendly note in the past year. However, as a ~~person~~ ~~person~~ I am sure you will respond with ~~kindness~~ ~~kindness~~.

I have decided to leave my position here in Rochester (and have given notice for the summer of '67). Basically the Shul is rather good - but I am limited in the manner that I can further Jewish living and learning here.

I have begun to think that the average rabbinical position today demands too much in too many diversified ways for the serious ~~man~~ ~~man~~ to fulfill his true interests as a teacher and guide. With this in mind I have thought of opportunities in other related fields - Day School, Community Center, Jewish Organization. My desire to remain close to the hub of Jewish life forces me to limit my area to N.Y.C., N.J., or New England. My family responsibilities (and a true blessing our girls are boys) demand a salary of at least \$10,000.

I would like to say 2 things of you. The first, your reaction to my brief comments on the rabbinate (and by no means have I decided to

leave, just thinking) and my personal goals as a teacher,
and secondly, whether you might be aware of
positions available. Is there any possibility of
some teaching position in one of the many of
departments that have developed in the past few
years?

I anticipate your reply. Mary sends her
best - and our good wishes to Linda.

Bob Ross

