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1. The American flag is full of symbolism:  
 50 stars = 50 states  
 13 stripes = 13 original colonies  
 Red white and blue represent Unification.



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2. The Israeli flag is also symbolic.  
 Blue (*techeilet*) and white are the colors of the tallit.

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3. The Tallit is like the Jewish flag:  
 Just like a soldier is shrouded in the flag of his country - Jews are buried wrapped in a tallit.



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4. This week's parsha:  
 Korach begins his revolution with an argument about the Tallit:  
 "A *techeilet* garment shouldn't need the four *techeilet* strings?"  
 He and his followers donned such tallitot and began to party.



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5. What was Korach's argument?  
 Why would coloring your tallit blue,  
 free you from the obligation of  
 attaching tzitzit to it?



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6. The purpose of Tzitzit:  
 "And you shall see them and  
 remember all of My commandments."  
 Q: How do tzitzit remind us of the  
 commandments?

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7. Rashi:

- "Tzitzit" comes from "meitzit",  
 looking. Looking at the tzitzit will  
 remind us.
- Numerical value: Tzitzit = 600. Add  
 8 strings and 5 knots = 613, all of  
 the mitzvos.

Still, a "hint" is not a good reminder.



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8. Rather the color *Techielet*, sky  
 blue reminds us of G-d in heaven.

- Rabbi Yochanan said, "Only pray  
 in a room with windows so the  
 sky will remind you to turn his  
 heart to heaven."



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9. Korach's argument now makes sense:

The purpose of the *techeilet* tzitzit is to remind us of heaven.

If so, why should a *techeilet* tallit need tzitzit?



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10. Today we don't wear *techeilet*. We don't know where to find the *chilazon* so we can't get the *techeilet*.

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11. About 100 years ago, the Radziner Rebbe claimed to have found the *chilazon* but nobody accepted it 20 years ago Jewish settlers claimed to have found the *chilazon* but nobody accepted that either.



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12. Q: Why do Jews who sacrifice everything for every little mitzvah not turn the world over to find the source of *techeilet*?



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### 13. Kabala:

Blue and white represent two paths in the service of G-d.

White = *chesed*, or love of G-d.

*Techeilet*= *gevura* or fear of G-d.

Together they remind us of both positive and negative mitzvos.



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### 14. The Rebbe:

The fact that we can't find *techeilet* is a sign that we must serve G-d out of *love*.

As Rashbi said, "Our redemption depends on love (dearness)."

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