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1. Matisyahu has become very famous- with his rabbis permission.
 Is he doing the right thing - a bar is a bad place but he's influencing so many people.



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2. Orthodox Jews didn't like the radio and TV Torah shows.
 The Rebbe answered
 "כל מה שברא הקב"ה בעולמו לא בראו אלא לכבודו"

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3. This should be the Jew's attitude
 - to make use the world for G-d.
 Gold was made only for the Temple
 - But now that is up to us to decide.



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4. The comparison is lacking.
 A radio is neutral - A bar is a different story.



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5. Parsha: The women brought their mirrors to Moses for the Mishkan – Moses rejects them for they are made for the Yetzer Horah!

G-d says, "They are more precious to me than all the other gifts."



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6. The women used their mirrors to build a nation.

This is most precious to G-d – using unholy things for holiness

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7. Chassidic drinking is along the same lines.

The Rebbe would instruct drinking in large amounts.



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8. Although drinking is lowly – this helped the Chassidim spiritually.

This form of service is the most precious to G-d, just like the women's mirrors.



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9. The bottom line:
 One must consult a rabbi before
 changing tradition.
 Like Moses with the mirrors and
 Matisyahu with the bars.



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10. Drinking is not Jewish but when
 with the rabbis' permission – L'chaim!

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