What's new in Version 23.0?

1. About 8,000 additional books!

The current update, like its predecessors, blends the old with the new. Alongside the finest reprinted Jewish literature, the Otzar library is enriched with hundreds of rare books dating back to the early days of printing, sourced from the National Library's treasures and other collections.

Going forward, we welcome additional suggestions for books still missing from the Otzar and will do our best to include them whenever possible.

2. Book Shortcut for Quick Access:

A new feature allows users to set personal shortcuts for quickly opening a book using the combination of the **ALT key and a selected letter**. (For example: you can configure pressing **ALT+פ** to open and display the book **Pnei Yehoshua**).

3. Quick Navigation Panel:

In the panel displaying the list of recently opened books, a new quick navigation feature has been added **using the keyboard arrow keys**. Moving between books in the list **instantly switches the book display**, enabling easy and fast transitions between books. The list includes all books open in tabs, those open in a window, as well as books that have already been closed.

4. Setting a Bookmark:

The bookmark bar in the book allows users to easily mark the exact spot where reading was paused, making it simple to return and resume from where they left off.

5. Separation of Settings Between Tabs:

In the previous version, a new feature was introduced allowing users to open Otzar HaChochma in multiple tabs simultaneously. However, all software settings were shared across all tabs. In this version, tab settings have been separated, enabling each tab to be configured individually according to the user's needs.

6. Automatic Hebrew Language Adjustment:

When searching for a book or conducting a search in book content, typing will always default to Hebrew, even if the computer is set to English (or other languages). This improvement saves time, prevents errors, and ensures a smooth and easy search experience.

7. New and Separate Screen for Books/ Authors Search:

A convenient option for searching additional books without interrupting ongoing work. While working with a specific book list, if you wish to search for a book or author not included in the current list, you can open a new search window.

This window operates independently, allowing you to perform additional searches in the library without affecting the selected book list.

8. Enhancements and Improvements to the Software:

An expanded and convenient **page numbers display** for easier navigation.

Right-click menu for personal notes: a classic editing menu with actions like delete, copy, and more.

New options in the 'Book Tab' menu: Add to Quick Button / Create Quick Button from open tabs / Create Quick Button from open windows.

Renaming a book in the 'Quick access Buttons' (created by the user).

Closing a tab by clicking the mouse wheel.

Expanded 'Full Screen' options: hide the top tab bar and status bar.

Option to **delete the entire list of recently opened books.**

New keyboard shortcuts:

Ctrl+S Save current desktop.
Ctrl+F Text search.
Ctrl+T Open the navigation panel of recently opened books (new).
Ctrl+G Navigate to the 'Page Number' field (when moving to this field, you can enter the desired page number and confirm by pressing ENTER to jump to the requested page).
Ctrl+O Open and close the indexes window.
Shift+Tab Move between Book Tabs from right to left.
Ctrl+Shift+Tab Move between Book Tabs from left to right.
Ctrl+N Search for a new book.

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For over 20 years, we have invested significant efforts in indexing basic books by creating "Tziunim" (indexes) for the works of commentators on the Talmud (Bavli and Yerushalmi), the Mishnah, the Rambam, the Shulchan Aruch, and the weekly Torah portions.

The 'Tziunim' system serves two main purposes:

First, it helps the learner navigate the book itself, enabling easy access to any location referenced by a Tziyun. **Second, and more significantly, it consolidates all the indexes into a single location, presenting the learner with all the commentaries addressing the same topic.** For example, someone studying page 20a in Tractate Eruvin can, with the click of a button, gain immediate access to all the commentators discussing this page.

Over the years, this has resulted in the construction of a vast database of Tziunim (for example, 1.8 million indexes on the Talmud), which serves as the foundation for the **'Mefarshei HaOtzar'** project on the Talmud. This project, launched several years ago, has been widely acclaimed and appreciated by the Yeshiva community.

New in Version 23.0:

From Talmud Commentaries to Halachic Commentaries

In the current update, we have expanded the scope of the project to include the works of the Rambam. Here too, clicking on a specific halacha in the Rambam will present the user with **all the commentaries discussing the selected halacha.**

It is worth noting that among the books included in this project is an impressive list of hundreds of works that are **not** structured according to the Rambam, such as early and later commentaries on Talmudic topics, halachic works, responsa, Torah journals, and many more.

It is important to note that this expansion is still in its initial stages. The division is currently by halachot, without further subdivisions within the halachot themselves (for now). Additionally, the display of commentary excerpts is not always as complete as desired. For us, this is merely the foundation and groundwork for a much broader project, both in the scope of the content and in enhancing the user experience.

(For those asking - yes, with G-d's help, our vision extends to the Shulchan Aruch, commentaries on the Torah, Nevi'im, and Kesuvim, commentaries on the Mishnah, the Talmud Yerushalmi, and more. These developments will come in due time).

Focused Search in 'Mefarshei HaOtzar'

The search feature allows you to locate words or phrases specifically within the pages containing the selected 'meforshim' excerpts. Unlike a standard search across an entire book, which may yield numerous irrelevant results, this search is confined to the pages of the selected excerpts, providing more accurate and relevant results.