Sepher Maaseh Bereshith (Genesis) Chapter 1

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (1st sidrah/week) Genesis 1-4 **1** In the beginning Elohim (El of all) created the heavens and the earth. 2 And the earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of Elohim was moving over the surface of the waters. 3 Then Elohim said, Let there be light; and there was light. 4 And Elohim saw that the light was good; and Elohim separated between the light and the darkness. 5 And Elohim called the light day, and the darkness He called And there was evening and there was night. morning, one day. 6 Then Elohim said, Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate between the waters and the waters. 7 And Elohim made the expanse, and separated between the waters which were below the expanse and between the waters which were above the expanse; and it was so. 8 And Elohim called the expanse heavens. And there was evening and there was morning, a second day. 9 Then Elohim said, Let the waters below the heavens be gathered into one place, and let the dry land appear; and it was so. 10 And Elohim called the dry land earth, and the gathering of the waters He called seas; and Elohim saw that it was good. **11** Then Elohim said, Let the earth sprout vegetation: plants yielding seed, and fruit trees on the earth bearing fruit after their kind, whichever seed in them; and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed after their kind, and trees bearing fruit, whichever seed is in them, after their kind; and Elohim saw that it was good. 13 And there was evening and there was morning, a third day. 14 Then Elohim said, Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to divide between the day and the night, and let them be for signs and for seasons and for days and years; 15 and let them be for lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth; and it was so. 16 And Elohim made the two great lights, the greater light to govern the day, and the lesser light to govern the night, and the stars. 17 And Elohim placed them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, 18 and to govern over the day and over the night, and to separate between the light and the darkness; and Elohim saw that it was good. 19 And there was evening and there was morning, a fourth day. 20 Then Elohim said, Let the waters teem with swarmers having a soul of life, and let birds fly above the earth in the open expanse of the heavens. 21 And Elohim created the great sea monsters and all that creeps having a living soul, with which the waters swarmed after their kind, and every winged bird after its kind; and Elohim saw that it was good. 22 And Elohim blessed them, saying, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let the birds multiply on the earth. 23 And there was

evening and there was morning, a fifth day. 24 Then Elohim said, Let the earth bring forth the soul of life according to their kind: cattle and creeping things and beasts of the earth after their kind; and it was so. 25 And Elohim made the beasts of the earth after their kind, and the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing on the ground after its kind; and Elohim saw that it was good. 26 Then Elohim said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. 27 And Elohim created man in His own image, in the image of Elohim He created him; male and female He created them. 28 And Elohim blessed them; and Elohim said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth. 29 Then Elohim said, Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be for food for you; 30 and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to every creeping thing on the earth which has living soul, every green herb is for food; and it was so. 31 And Elohim saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Chapter 2

1 Thus the heavens and the earth were completed, and all their hosts. 2 By the seventh day Elohim completed His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. 3 Then Elohim blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which Elohim had created and made. 4 This is the account of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that **343**% Elohim made earth and heavens. **5** Now every shrub of the field before it was in the earth, and every plant of the field before it sprouted, for 3434Elohim had not sent rain upon the earth, and there was no man to cultivate the ground. 6 But a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole surface of the ground. 7 Then 3131 Elohim formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. 8 3131/ Elohim planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed. 9 Out of the ground **AMAN** Elohim caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. 10 Now a river flowed out of Eden to water the garden; and from there it divided and became into four heads. **11** The name of the first is Pishon; it flows around the whole land of Chawilah, where there is gold. 12

The gold of that land is good; the bdellium and the onyx stone are there. 13 The name of the second river is Gichon; it flows around the whole land of Kush. 14 The name of the third river is Chideqel (Tigris); it flows east of Ashshur. And the fourth river is Phrath (the Euphrates). 15 Then 3434Elohim took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and to keep it. 16 3131 Elohim commanded to the man, saying, From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat from it, for in the day that you eat from it you shall surely die. **18** Then **343** Flohim said, It is not good for the man to be alone; I shall make a helper suited to him. **19** Out of the ground **343**1/ Elohim formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called it a living soul, that was its name. 20 The man gave names to all the cattle, and to the birds of the heavens, and to every beast of the field, but for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him. 21 So 3131 Elohim caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs and closed up the flesh underneath. 22 3431/ Elohim fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man. 23 The man said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh; for this shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of man. 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become into one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Chapter 3

1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which 3131 Elohim had made. And he said to the woman. Indeed, has Elohim said, You shall not eat from any tree of the garden? 2 The woman said to the serpent, From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; 3 but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, Elohim has said, You shall not eat from it nor touch it, lest you shall die. 4 The serpent said to the woman, You surely shall not die! 5 For Elohim knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be like elohim (mighty ones), knowing good and evil. 6 When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed leaves of fig-tree together and made for themselves loin coverings. 8 They heard the voice of **343**% Elohim walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of **343**⁴ Elohim in the middle of the trees of the garden. 9 Then 3^{1}_{13} Elohim

called to the man, and said to him, where are you? 10 He said, I heard Your sound in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid myself. 11 And He said, Who told you that you were naked? From the tree of which I commanded you not to eat from it, have you eaten? 12 The man said, The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave to me from the tree, and I ate. 13 Then 3131/ Elohim said to the woman, What is this you have done? And the woman said, The serpent deceived me, and I ate. 14 3131 Elohim said to the serpent, Because you have done this, Cursed are you more than all cattle, and more than every beast of the field; On your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life; **15** And I shall put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel. **16** To the woman He said, I shall greatly multiply your pain in childbirth, In pain you shall bring forth sons; Yet your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you. 17 Then to Adam He said, Because you have listened to the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree about which I commanded you, saying, You shall not eat from it; Cursed is the ground because of you; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. 18 And thorns and thistles shall grow for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field; 19 By the sweat of your face You shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, Because from it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return. 20 Now the man called the name of his wife Chauwah (Eve), because she was the mother of all the living. 21 3131 Elohim made garments of skin for Adam and for his wife, and clothed them. 22 Then 3131 Elohim said, Behold, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil; and now, lest he might stretch out his hand, and take also from the tree of life, and eat, and live forever. 23 therefore 3131 Elohim sent him out from the garden of Eden, to cultivate the ground from there which he was taken. 24 So He drove the man out; and at the east of the garden of Eden He stationed the cherubim and the flaming sword whirling around to guard the way to the tree of life.

Chapter 4

1 Now the man knew his wife Chauwah, and she conceived and gave birth to Qayin, and she said, I have gotten a man with the help of 3/(3/). **2** And she continued to bear his brother Habel. And Habel was a keeper of flocks, but Qayin was a tiller of the ground. **3** So it came about in the end of days that Qayin brought an offering to 3/(3/) of the fruit of the ground. **4** and Hebel brought, he also, from the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions. And 3/(3/) had regard for Hebel and for his offering; **5** but for Qayin and for his offering He had no regard. So Qayin became very angry and his countenance fell. **6** Then 3/(3/) said to Qayin, Why are you angry? And why has your countenance

fallen? 7 If you do well, is there not acceptance? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it. 8 Qayin talked with Hebel his brother. And it came about when they were in the field, that Qayin rose up against Hebel his brother and killed him. 9 Then **3131** said to Qayin, Where is Hebel your brother? And he said, I do not know. Am I my brother's keeper? 10 He said, What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground. 11 Now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. 12 When you cultivate the ground, it shall no again give its strength to you; you shall be a vagrant and a wanderer on the earth. 13 Qayin said to 3131, My punishment is greater than I can bear! 14 Behold, You have driven me today from the face of the ground; and from Your face I shall be hidden, and I shall be a vagrant and a wanderer on the earth, and it shall be, anyone who finds me shall kill me. 15 So 3131 said to him, Therefore whoever kills Qayin, he shall be avenged sevenfold. And 3131 appointed a sign for Qayin, so that no one finding him would slav him. 16 Then Qavin went out from the presence of 3434, and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden. 17 Qayin knew his wife and she conceived, and bore Chanok. Now it happened that he was building a city, and called the name of the city according to the name of his son Chanok. 18 Now to Chanok was born Iyrad, and Iyrad became the father of Mechuya'El, and Mechiya'El became the father of Methusha'El, and Methusha'El became the father of Lamek. 19 Lamek took to himself two wives: the name of the one was Adah, and the name of the other, Tsillah. 20 Adah gave birth to Yabal; he was the father of those who dwell in tents and have livestock. **21** His brother's name was Yubal; he was the father of all those who play the lyre and pipe. 22 As for Tsillah, she also gave birth to Tubal-Qayin, the forger of all implements of bronze and iron; and the sister of Tubal-Qayin was Naamah. 23 Lamek said to his wives, Adah and Tsillah, Listen to my voice, You wives of Lamek, Give heed to my speech, for I have killed a man for wounding me; and a boy for striking me; 24 If Qayin is avenged sevenfold, then Lamek seventysevenfold. 25 Adam knew his wife again; and she gave birth to a son, and called his name Sheth, for, Elohim has appointed me another offspring in place of Hebel, for Qayin killed him. 26 To Sheth, to him also a son was born; and he called his name Enosh. Then it was began to call upon the name of 3434.

Chapter 5

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (2nd sidrah) Genesis 5 9:7)
1 This is the scroll of the generations of Adam. In the day that Elohim created man, He made him in the likeness of Elohim. 2 He created them male and female, and He blessed them and called their name man in the day when they were created. 3 When

Adam had lived one hundred and thirty years, he fathered a son in his own likeness, according to his image, and named his name Sheth. 4 Then the days of Adam after he fathered Sheth were eight hundred years, and he fathered sons and daughters. 5 So all the days that Adam lived were nine hundred and thirty years, and he died. 6 Seth lived one hundred and five years, and fathered Enosh. 7 Then Sheth lived eight hundred and seven years after he fathered Enosh, and he fathered sons and daughters. 8 So all the days of Sheth were nine hundred and twelve years, and he died. 9 Enosh lived ninety years, and fathered Qeynan. 10 Then Enosh lived eight hundred and fifteen years after he fathered Oeynan, and he fathered sons and daughters. 11 So all the days of Enosh were nine hundred and five years, and he died. 12 Qeynan lived seventy years, and fathered Mahalal'El. **13** Then Qeynan lived eight hundred and forty years after he fathered Mahalal'El, and he fathered sons and daughters. 14 So all the days of Qeynan were nine hundred and ten years, and he died. 15 Mahalal'El lived sixtyfive years, and fathered Yared. 16 Then Mahalal'El lived eight hundred and thirty years after he fathered Yared, and he fathered sons and daughters. **17** So all the days of Mahalal'El were eight hundred and ninety-five years, and he died. 18 Yared lived one hundred and sixty-two years, and fathered Chanok. 19 Then Yared lived eight hundred years after he fathered Chanok, and he fathered sons and daughters. 20 So all the days of Yared were nine hundred and sixty-two years, and he died. 21 Chanok lived sixty-five years, and fathered Methushalach. 22 Then Chanok walked with the Elohim three hundred years after he fathered Methushalach, and he fathered sons and daughters. 23 So all the days of Chanok were three hundred and sixty-five years. 24 Chanok walked with the Elohim; and he was not, for Elohim took him. 25 Methushalach lived one hundred and eighty-seven years, and fathered Lamek. 26 Then Methushalach lived seven hundred and eighty-two years after he fathered Lamek, and he fathered sons and daughters. 27 So all the days of Methushalach were nine hundred and sixty-nine years, and he died. 28 Lamek lived one hundred and eighty-two years, and fathered a son. 29 Now he called his name Noach, saving. This one shall give us rest from our work and from the toil of our hands from the ground which 3131 has cursed. **30** Then Lemek lived five hundred and ninety-five years after he fathered Noach, and he fathered sons and daughters. 31 So all the days of Lemek were seven hundred and seventy-seven years, and he died. 32 Noach was the son being five hundred years old, and Noach fathered Shem, Cham, and Yapheth.

Chapter 6

1 Now it came about, when the man began to multiply on the face of the land, and daughters were

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born to them, 2 that the sons of the Elohim saw that the daughters of the man, that they were beautiful; and they took wives for themselves, from all those whom they chose. 3 Then 3131 said, My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, in their erring he is flesh; and his days shall be one hundred and twenty years. 4 The Nephilim were on the earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of the Elohim came in to the daughters of the man, and they bore to them. They were the mighty men who were of old, men of renown. 5 Then 3131 saw that the wickedness of the man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the day long. 6 3131 regretted that He had made the man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart. 7 3131 said, I shall blot out the man whom I have created from the face of the land, from man to beast to creeping thing and to birds of the heavens; for I repented that I have made them. 8 But Noach found favor in the eyes of \mathfrak{AMAW} . 9 These are the generations of Noach. Noach was a righteous man, blameless in his time; Noach walked with the Elohim. 10 Noach fathered three sons: Shem, Cham, and Yapheth. 11 Now the earth was corrupt in the sight of the Elohim, and the earth was filled with violence. 12 Elohim looked on the earth, and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted their way upon the earth. 13 Then Elohim said to Noach, The end of all flesh has come before Me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and behold, I shall destroy them with the earth. 14 Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood; you shall make rooms the ark, and shall cover it inside and outside with pitch. 15 This is how you shall make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its breadth fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. 16 You shall make a window for the ark, and shall finish it to a cubit from the top; and you shall set the door of the ark in its side; you shall make it with lower, second, and third decks. 17 Behold, I, even I bring the flood of water upon the earth, to destroy all flesh in which it is the breath of life, from under the heavens; everything that is on the earth shall perish. 18 But I shall establish My covenant with you; and you shall enter into the ark you and your sons and your wife, and your sons' wives with you. 19 And of every living thing of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. 20 Of the winged birds after their kind, and of the cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the ground after its kind, two of every kind shall come to you to keep them alive. 21 As for you, take for yourself of all food which is edible, and gather it to yourself; and it shall be for food for you and for them. 22 Thus Noach did; according to all that Elohim had commanded him, so he did.

1 Then 3131 said to Noach, Come you and all your house, into the ark, for I have seen you righteous before Me in this generation. 2 You shall take with you of every clean animal, seven by seven, a male and his female; and of the animal that is not clean two, a male and his female; 3 also of the birds of the heavens, seven by seven, male and female, to keep offspring alive on the face of all the earth. 4 For after seven more days, I shall cause it to rain on the earth forty days and forty nights; and I shall blot out from off the face of the land every living thing that I have made. 5 Noach did according to all that **AMAN** had commanded him. 6 Now Noach was the son being six hundred years old when the flood of water was upon the earth. 7 Then Noach and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him went into the ark because of the water of the flood. 8 Of clean animals and of animals that are not clean and of birds and everything that creeps on the ground, 9 there went into the ark to Noach, two by two, male and female, as Elohim had commanded Noach. 10 And it came to pass after the seven days, that the water of the flood came upon the earth. 11 In the six hundredth vear of Noach's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. 12 The rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights. 13 In this same day Noach and Shem and Cham and Yepheth, the sons of Noach, and Noach's wife and the three wives of his sons with them, entered into the ark, **14** they and every beast after its kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth after its kind, and every bird after its kind, all sorts of birds. 15 So they went into the ark to Noach, two by two of all flesh in which was the breath of life. 16 Those that entered, male and female of all flesh, entered as Elohim had commanded him; and **AMAN** closed it behind him. 17 Then the flood came upon the earth for forty days, and the water increased and lifted up the ark, so that it rose above the earth. **18** The water prevailed and increased greatly upon the earth, and the ark floated on the surface of the water. 19 The water prevailed more and more upon the earth, so that all the high mountains which are under all the heavens were covered. 20 The water prevailed fifteen cubits higher, and the mountains were covered. 21 All flesh that moved on the earth perished, birds and cattle and beasts and every swarming thing that swarms upon the earth, and all mankind; 22 all which in whose nostrils was breathed the breath of life of all that was on the dry land, died. 23 Thus He blotted out every living thing that was upon the face of the land, from man to animals to creeping things and to birds of the heavens, and they were blotted out from the earth; and only Noach was left, and those that were with

him in the ark. **24** The water prevailed upon the earth one hundred and fifty days.

Chapter 8

1 But Elohim remembered Noach and all the beasts and all the cattle that were with him in the ark; and Elohim caused a wind to pass over the earth, and the water subsided. 2 Also the fountains of the deep and the floodgates of the heavens were closed, and the rain from the heavens was restrained; 3 and the water receded steadily from the earth going and retreating, and at the end of one hundred and fifty days the water decreased. 4 In the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, the ark rested upon the mountains of Ararat. 5 The water were going and falling until the tenth month; in the tenth month, on the first of the month, the tops of the mountains became visible. 6 Then it came about at the end of forty days, that Noach opened the window of the ark which he had made; 7 and he sent out a raven, and it went out, going out and returning until the water was dried up from the earth. 8 Then he sent out a dove from him, to see if the water was abated from the face of the land; 9 but the dove found no resting place for the sole of her foot, so she returned to him into the ark, for the water was on the surface of all the earth. Then he put out his hand and took her, and brought her into the ark to himself. 10 So he waited yet another seven days; and again he sent out the dove from the ark. **11** The dove came to him at the evening time, and behold, in her beak was a freshly picked olive leaf. So Noach knew that the water was abated from the earth. 12 Then he waited yet another seven days, and sent out the dove; but she did not return to him any more again. 13 Now it came about in the six hundred and first year, at the beginning, on the first of the month, the water was dried up from the earth. Then Noach removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and behold, the surface of the ground was dried up. 14 In the second month, on the twenty-seventh day of the month, the earth was dry. 15 Then Elohim spoke to Noach, saying, 16 Go out of the ark, you and your wife and your sons and your sons' wives with you. 17 Bring out with you every living thing of all flesh that is with you, of birds and of animals and of every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, that they may breed abundantly on the earth, and be fruitful and multiply on the earth. 18 So Noach went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. 19 Every beast, every creeping thing, and every bird, everything that moves on the earth, went out by their families from the ark. 20 Then Noach built an altar to **AMAN**, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird and offered burnt offerings on the altar. 21 And 3131 smelled the soothing aroma; and **AMAN** said in His heart, I shall never again curse the ground on account of man, for the intent of man's heart is evil from his youth; and I shall never again destroy every living thing, as I have done. **22** During all the days of the earth, Seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

Chapter 9

1 And Elohim blessed Noach and his sons and said to them, Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth. **2** The fear of you and the terror of you shall be on every beast of the earth and on every bird of the heavens; with everything that creeps on the ground, and on all the fish of the sea, into your hand they are given. **3** Every moving thing that is alive shall be for food for you; I give all to you, even as the green plant. 4 Only you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. 5 Surely I shall require the blood of your lives; at the hand of every beast I shall require it. And at the hand of a man, at the hand of a man's brother I shall require the life of man. 6 Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed, for in the image of Elohim He made man. **7** As you, be fruitful and multiply; bring forth abundantly over the earth and multiply in it.

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (3rd sidrah) Genesis 9:8 11:9) **8** Then Elohim spoke to Noach and to his sons with him, saying, 9 Now behold, I, even I, do establish My covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; **10** and with every living creature that is with you, among the birds, among the cattle, and among every beast of the earth with you; of all that comes out of the ark, to every beast of the earth. 11 I establish My covenant with you; and all flesh shall never again be cut off by the water of the flood, neither shall there again be a flood to destroy the earth. 12 Elohim said, This is the sign of the covenant which I am making between Me and you and between every living creature that is with you, for everlasting generations; 13 I set My bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a sign of a covenant between Me and the earth. 14 It shall come about, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud, 15 and I shall remember My covenant, which is between Me and you and between every living creature of all flesh; and never again shall the water become a flood to destroy all flesh. **16** When the bow is in the cloud, then I shall see it, to remember the everlasting covenant between Elohim and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth. 17 And Elohim said to Noach, This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between Me and all flesh that is on the earth. **18** Now the sons of Noach who came out of the ark were Shem and Cham and Yapheth; and Cham was the father of Kanaan. 19 These three were the sons of Noach, and from these the whole earth was populated. 20 Then Noach began a man of the ground and planted a vineyard. 21 He drank of the wine and became drunk, and uncovered himself in the midst of his tent. 22 Cham, the father of Kanaan, saw the nakedness of his father, and told to his two brothers outside. 23 But Shem and 5

Yapheth took a garment and laid it upon both their shoulders and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were turned away, so that they did not see their father's nakedness. **24** When Noach awoke from his wine, he knew what his youngest son had done to him. **25** So he said, Cursed be Kanaan; A servant of servants He shall be to his brothers. **26** He said, Blessed be \Im (\Im), the El of Shem; and let Kanaan be his servant to them. **27** May Elohim enlarge Yapheth, and let him dwell in the tents of Shem; and let Kanaan be his servant to them. **28** Noach lived three hundred and fifty years after the flood. **29** So all the days of Noach were nine hundred and fifty years, and he died.

Chapter 10

1 Now these are the generations of Shem, Cham, and Yapheth, the sons of Noach; and sons were born to them after the flood. 2 The sons of Yapheth were Gomer and Magog and Maday and Yawan and Thubal and Meshek and Thiras. 3 The sons of Gomer were Ashkanaz and Riphath and Thogarmah. 4 The sons of Yawan were Elishah and Tharshish, Kittim and Dodanim. 5 From these, the coastlands of the nations were separated into their lands, each according to his language, according to their families, into their nations. 6 The sons of Cham were Kush and Mitsrayim and Phut and Kanaan. 7 The sons of Kush were Seba and Chawilah and Sabtah and Raamah and Sabteka; and the sons of Raamah were Sheba and Dedan. 8 Now Kush fathered Nimrod; he began to be a mighty one on the earth. 9 He was a mighty hunter before \mathfrak{AMAW} ; therefore it is said, Like Nimrod a mighty hunter before 3131. 10 The beginning of his kingdom was Babel and Erek and Akkad and Kalneh, in the land of Shinar. **11** From that land he went forth into Ashshur, and built Nineweh and Rechoboth-Ir and Kalach, 12 and Resen between Nineweh and between Kalach; that is the great city. 13 Mitsrayim fathered Ludim and Anamim and Lehabim and Naphtuchim. 14 and Pathrusim and Kasluchim from which came there Pilishetim and Kaphtorim. 15 Kanaan fathered Tsidon, his firstborn, and Cheth. 16 and the Yebusite and the Emorite and the Girgashite **17** and the Chiuite and the Argite and the Sinite 18 and the Arwadite and the Tsemarite and the Chamatite; and afterward the families of the Kanaanite were spread abroad. 19 The territory of the Kanaanite was from Tsidon as you go toward Gerar, as far as Azah; as you go toward Sedom and Amorah and Admah and Tseboyim, as far as Lasha. 20 These are the sons of Cham, according to their families, according to their languages, by their lands, by their nations. 21 To Shem was born, also to him, the father of all the sons of Eber, and the older brother of Yepheth. 22 The sons of Shem were Eylam and Ashshur and Arpakshad and Lud and Aram. 23 The sons of

Aram were Uts and Chul and Gether and Mash. 24 Arpakshad fathered Shalach; and Shelach fathered Eber. 25 Two sons were born to Eber; the name of the one was Peleg, for in his days the earth was divided; and his brother's name was Yaqtan. 26 Yoqtan fathered Almodad and Sheleph and Chatsarmaweth and Yarach 27 and Hadoram and Uzal and Diqlah **28** and Obal and Abima'El and Sheba 29 and Ophir and Chawilah and Yobab; all these were the sons of Yaqtan. 30 Now their dwelling was from Mesha as you go toward Sephar, the mountain of the east. 31 These are the sons of Shem, according to their families, according to their languages, by their lands, according to their nations. **32** These are the families of the sons of Noach, according to their genealogies, by their nations; and out of these the nations were separated on the earth after the flood.

Chapter 11

1 Now the whole earth was of one language and the same words. 2 It came about as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar and settled there. 3 And each one said to his neighbor, Come, let us make bricks and burn them thoroughly. And it was the brick to them for stone, and it was the asphalt to them for mortar. 4 They said, Come, let us build for ourselves a city, and a tower with its top in the heavens, and let us make for ourselves a name, otherwise we shall be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth. 5 3131 came down to see the city and the tower which the sons of the man had built. 63434said, Behold, they are one people, and they all have the same language. And this is what they began to do, and now nothing shall be restrained from them all which they have imagined to do. 7 Come, let us go down and there confuse their language, so that they shall not understand one another's speech. 8 So **111** scattered them abroad from there over the face of the whole earth; and they stopped building the city. 9 Therefore its name was called Babel, because there 3434 confused the language of the whole earth; and from there 3%3% scattered them abroad over the face of the whole earth.

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (4th sidrah) Genesis 11:10 17:8) 10 These are the generations of Shem. Shem was the son being one hundred years old, and fathered Arpakshad two years after the flood; **11** and Shem lived five hundred years after he fathered Arpakshad, and he fathered sons and daughters. **12** Arpakshad lived thirty-five years, and fathered 13 and Arpakshad lived four hundred Shalach; and three years after he fathered Shelach, and he fathered sons and daughters. 14 Shelach lived thirty years, and fathered Eber; 15 and Shelach lived four hundred and three years after he fathered Eber, and he fathered sons and daughters. **16** Eber lived thirty-four years, and fathered Peleg; 17 and Eber lived four hundred and thirty years after he fathered Peleg, and he fathered sons and daughters. 6

18 Pheleg lived thirty years, and fathered Reu; **19** and Pheleg lived two hundred and nine years after he fathered Reu, and he fathered sons and daughters. 20 Reu lived thirty-two years, and fathered Serug; 21 and Reu lived two hundred and seven years after he fathered Serug, and he fathered sons and daughters. 22 Serug lived thirty years, and fathered Nachor; 23 and Serug lived two hundred years after he fathered Nachor, and he fathered sons and daughters. 24 Nachor lived twenty-nine years, and fathered Tarach; 25 and Nachor lived one hundred and nineteen years after he fathered Terach, and he fathered sons and daughters. 26 Therach lived seventy years, and fathered Abram, Nachor and Haran. 27 Now these are the generations of Terach. Terach fathered Abram, Nachor and Haran; and Haran fathered Lot. 28 Haran died in the presence of his father Terach in the land of his birth, in Ur (the region) of Kasdim. 29 Abram and Nachor took wives for themselves. The name of Abram's wife was Saray; and the name of Nachor's wife was Milkah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milkah and the father of Yiskah. **30** Saray was barren; she had no child. **31** Terach took Abram his son, and Lot the son of Haran, the son of his son, and Saray his daughterin-law, his son Abram's wife; and they went forth with them from Ur of Kasdim to come in the land of Kanaan; and they went to Charan, and settled there. 32 The days of Therach were two hundred and five years; and Terach died in Charan.

Chapter 12

1 Now 1911 said to Abram, Go forth for yourself from your country, and from your relatives and from your father's house, to the land which I shall show you; 2 And I shall make you for a great nation, and I shall bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing; 3 And I shall bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I shall curse. And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed. 4 So Abram went forth as **111** had spoken to him; and Lot went with him. Now Abram was the son being seventy-five years old when he departed from Charan. 5 Abram took Saray his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions which they had accumulated, and the persons which they had acquired in Charan, and they departed to go into the land of Kanaan; thus they came into the land of Kanaan. 6 Abram passed through the land as far as the place of Shekem, to the oak of Moreh. Now the Kanaanite was then in the land. 7 3131 appeared to Abram and said, To your descendants I shall give this land. So he built an altar there to 3434 who had appeared to him. 8 Then he proceeded from there to the mountain on the east of Beyth'El, and pitched his tent, with Beyth'El on the west and Ay on the east; and there he built an altar to 3434 and called upon the name of **111**%. **9** Abram journeyed on going,

continuing toward the Negeb. 10 Now there was a famine in the land; so Abram went down to Mitsrayim to sojourn there, for the famine was severe in the land. 11 It came about when he had drawn near to come to Mitsrayim, that he said to Saray his wife, See now, I know that you are a beautiful woman to look upon; **12** and it shall be, when the Mitsrites see you, they shall say. This is his wife; and they shall kill me, but they shall let you live. 13 Please say that you are my sister so that it may go well with me because of you, and that my soul may live on account of you. 14 It came about when Abram came into Mitsrayim, the Mitsrites saw the woman, that she was very beautiful. 15 Pharaoh's officials saw her and praised her to Pharaoh: and the woman was taken into Pharaoh's house. **16** And he treated Abram well for her sake; and he had sheep and oxen and male donkeys and male servants and female servants and female donkeys and camels. 17 But 3131 struck Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Saray, Abram's wife. 18 Then Pharaoh called Abram and said, What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? 19 Why did you say, She is my sister, so that I took her to me for my wife? Now then, here is your wife, take her and go. 20 Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him; and they escorted him away, with his wife and all that belonged to him.

Chapter 13

1 So Abram went up from Mitsrayim to the Negeb, he and his wife and all that belonged to him, and Lot with him. 2 Now Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver and in gold. 3 He went on his journeys from the Negeb as far as Beyth'El, to the place where his tent had been there at the beginning, between Beyth'El and Ay, 4 to the place of the altar which he had made there at the first; and there Abram called on the name of 3931. 5 Also to Lot, who went with Abram, also had flocks and herds and tents. 6 And the land could not sustain them while living together, for their possessions were great so that they were not able to live together. 7 And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Now the Kanaanite and the Lot's livestock. Perizzite were dwelling then in the land. 8 So Abram said to Lot, Please let there be no strife between me and you, nor between my herdsmen and your herdsmen, for we are men brothers. 9 Is not the whole land before your faces? Please separate from me; if you go to the left, then I shall go to the right; or if you go to the right, then I shall go to the left. 10 Lot lifted up his eyes and saw all the valley of the Yarden, that it was well watered everywhere this was before **3131** destroyed Sodom and Amorah - like the garden of 3434, like the land of Mitsrayim as you go to Tsoar. **11** So Lot chose for himself all the valley of the Yarden, and Lot departed from the east. Thus they separated each

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other from his brother. 12 Abram settled in the land of Kanaan, while Lot settled in the cities of the valley, and moved his tents as far as Sedom. 13 Now the men of Sodom were wicked and sinned against 3431 exceedingly. 14 3431 said to Abram, after Lot had separated from him, now lift up your eyes and look from the place where you are there, northward and southward and eastward and westward; 15 for all the land which you see, I shall give it to you and to your descendants until forever. 16 I shall make your descendants as the dust of the earth, so that if anyone can number the dust of the earth, then your descendants can also be numbered. 17 Arise, walk about the land in its length and in breadth: for I shall give it to you. **18** Then Abram moved his tent and came and dwelt by the oaks of Mamre, which are in Chebron, and there he built an altar to 3431.

Chapter 14

1 And it came about in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Aryok king of Ellasar, Kedarlaomer king of Eylam, and Thidal king of Goyim, 2 that they made war with Bera king of Sedom, and with Birsha king of Amorah, Shinab king of Admah, and Shemeber king of Tseboyim, and the king of Bela that is, Tsoar. 3 All these came as allies to the valley of Siddim that is, the Salt Sea. 4 Twelve years they had served Kedarlaomer, but the thirteenth year they rebelled. 5 In the fourteenth year Kedarlaomer and the kings that were with him, came and defeated the Rephaim in Ashterothqarnaim and the Zuzim in Ham and the Eymim in Shaweh- Qiryatayim, 6 and the Chorites on the mount of Seir, as far as the oak of Paran, which is by the wilderness. 7 Then they turned back and came to EYn-Mishpat that is, Qadesh, and conquered all the country of the Amalegites, and also the Emorites, who lived in Chatsetson-Tamar. 8 And the king of Sedom and the king of Amorah and the king of Admah and the king of Tseboyim and the king of Bela that is, Tsoar came out; and they arrayed for battle with them in the valley of Siddim, 9 against Kedarlaomer king of Eylam and Thidal king of Goyim and Amraphel king of Shinar and Aryok king of Ellasar four kings against five. **10** Now the valley of Siddim was full of tar pits; and the kings of Sodom and Amorah fled, and they fell there. But those who survived fled to the hill **11** Then they took all the goods of country. Sodom and Amorah and all their food, and departed. 12 They took Lot, Abram's brother's son, and his possessions and departed, for he was living in Sodom. **13** Then a fugitive came and told to Abram the Hebrew. Now he was living by the oaks of Mamre the Emorite, brother of Eshkol and brother of Aner, and these were possessors of the covenant with Abram. **14** When Abram heard that his brother had been taken captive, he led out his trained men, born in his house, three hundred and eighteen, and pursued as far as Dan. 15 He

divided against them by night, he and his servants, and defeated them, and pursued them as far as Chobah, which is on the left of Damaseq. 16 He brought back all the goods, and also brought back his brother Lot with his possessions, and also the women, and the people. 17 Then after his return from the defeat of Kedarlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the valley of Shaweh that is, the plain of the Kings. 18 And Malkitsedeq king of Shalem brought out bread and wine; now he was a priest of El Elyon (Most High). 19 He blessed him and said, Blessed be Abram of El Elyon, Possessor of heavens and earth; 20 And blessed be El Elyon, who has delivered your enemies into your hand. He gave to him a tenth of all. 21 The king of Sodom said to Abram, Give the persons to me and take the goods for vourself. 22 Abram said to the king of Sodom. I have lifted up my hand to 3131 El Elyon, possessor of heavens and earth, 23 that I shall not take from a thread or even to a sandal thong or from all that is yours, and you would not say, I have made Abram rich. 24 Nothing for me; only what the young men have eaten, and the share of the men who went with me, Aner, Eshkol, and Mamre; let them take their share.

Chapter 15

1 After these things the Word of **313** came to Abram in a vision, saying, Do not fear, Abram, I am a shield to you; Your reward shall be very great. 2 Abram said, O Adonay (Master) 3434, what shall You give to me, since I am childless, and the son of steward of my house is Eliezer of Dameseq? 3 And Abram said, Behold! You have given no offspring to me, and lo, the son of my house is inheriting of me! 4 Then behold, the Word of 34314 came to him, saying, This one shall not be your heir; but one who shall come forth from your own body, he shall be your heir. 5 And He took him outside and said, Now look toward the heavens, and count the stars, if you are able to count them. And He said to him, So shall your descendants be. 6 Then he believed in 4444; and He reckoned it to him as righteousness. **7** And He said to him, I am 3 1who brought you out of Ur of Kasdim, to give to you this land to possess it. 8 He said, O Adonay 3131, how may I know that I shall possess it? 9 So He said to him. Bring for Me a three year old heifer, and a three year old female goat, and a three year old ram, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon. 10 Then he brought all these to Him and cut them in two, and laid each piece against one other; but he did not cut the birds. 11 The birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, and Abram drove them away. **12** Now it was, when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and behold, terror and great darkness fell upon him. 13 He said to Abram, Know for certain that your stranger shall be your seed in a land that is not theirs, and they shall serve them. And they shall afflict them four 8

hundred years. 14 But I shall also judge the nation whom they shall serve, and afterward they shall come out with many possessions. 15 You shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried at a good old age. **16** Then in the fourth generation they shall return here, for the iniquity of the Emorite is not yet complete until now. **17** It came about when the sun had set, that it was dark, and behold, a smoking oven and a flaming torch which passed between these pieces. **18** On that day **343** made a covenant with Abram, saying, To your descendants I have given this land, from the river of Mitsrayim as far as the great river, the river Prath: 19 the Qeynite and the Qenizzite and the Oadmonite **20** and the Chittite and the Perizzite and the Rephaim **21** and the Emorite and the Kanaanite and the Girgashite and the Yebusite.

Chapter 16

1 Now Saray, Abram's wife did not bear to him and she had a Mitsrite maid and her name was Hagar. 2 So Saray said to Abram, Now behold, 3131 has prevented me from bearing children. Please go in to my maid; perhaps I shall obtain children through her. And Abram listened to the voice of Saray. 3 And , Saray Abram's wife took Hagar the Mitsrite, her maid, and gave her to her husband Abram to him for a wife after Abram had lived ten years in the land of Kanaan. 4 He went in to Hagar, and she conceived; and when she saw that she had conceived, her mistress was despised in her sight. 5 And Saray said to Abram, May My injury be upon you. I gave my maid into your arms, but when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised in her sight. May **AMAN** judge between you and me. 6 But Abram said to Saray, Behold, your maid is in your power; do to her what is good in your sight. So Saray treated her harshly, and she fled from her presence. 7 Now the messenger of 3131 found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to Shur. 8 He said, Hagar, Saray's maid, where have you come from and where are you going? And she said, I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Saray. 9 Then the messenger of 1911 said to her, Return to your mistress, and submit yourself to her authority. 10 And the messenger of **393**% said to her, I shall greatly multiply your descendants so that it shall not be counted from multitude. 11 The messenger of **111** said to her, Behold, you are with child, and you shall bear a son; and you shall call his name Yishma'El, because **313** has given heed to your affliction. 12 He shall be a wild donkey of a man, his hand shall be against everyone, and everyone's hand shall be against him; and he shall live before all his brothers. 13 Then she called the name of **111** who spoke to her, You are El who sees; for she said, Even here have I looked after the One seeing me? 14 Therefore the well was called Beer-Lachay-Roi; behold, it is between Qadesh and

Bared. **15** So Hagar bore to Abram a son; and Abram called the name of his son, whom Hagar bore, Yishma'El. **16** Abram was the son being eighty-six years old when Hagar bore Yishma'El to Abram.

Chapter 17

1 Now when Abram was the son being ninety-nine years old, **AMAN** appeared to Abram and said to him, I am El Shadday; Walk before Me, and be blameless. 2 I shall establish My covenant between Me and you, and I shall multiply you very greatly. **3** Abram fell on his face, and Elohim talked with him, saying, **4** As for Me, behold, My covenant is with you, and you shall be the father of a multitude of nations. 5 No longer shall your name be called Abram, but your name shall be Abraham; For I shall make you the father of a multitude of nations. 6 I shall make you very greatly fruitful, and I shall give you for nations, and kings shall come forth from vou. 7 I shall establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you throughout their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be to you as Elohim and to your descendants after you. 8 I shall give to you and to your descendants after you, the land of your sojournings, all the land of Kenaan, for an everlasting possession; and I shall be to them as Elohim.

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (5th sidrah) Genesis 17:9 23) 9 Elohim said to Abraham, Now as for you, you shall keep My covenant, you and your descendants after you throughout their generations. 10 This is My covenant, which you shall keep, between Me and youand your descendants after you: every male among you shall be circumcised. **11** And you shall be circumcised in the flesh of your foreskin, and it shall be for the sign of the covenant between Me and you. 12 And every male among you who is the son of eight days old shall be circumcised throughout your generations, he who is born in the house or who is bought with money from any son of foreigner, who is not of your descendants. 13 A servant who is born in your house or who is bought with your money shall surely be circumcised; thus shall My covenant be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. **14** But an uncircumcised male who is not circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin, his soul shall be cut off from his people; he has broken My covenant. 15 Then Elohim said to Abraham, As for Saray your wife, you shall not call her name Saray, but Sarah shall be her name. 16 I shall bless her, and indeed I shall give to you a son by her. Then I shall bless her, and she shall be a mother of nations; kings of peoples shall come from her. 17 Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born to a man one hundred years old? And shall Sarah, who is a daughter of ninety years old, bear a child? **18** And Abraham said to the Elohim, Oh that Yishma'El might live before Your face! 19 But Elohim said, Truly Sarah your wife shall bear you a son, and you

shall call his name Yitschaq (Issac); and I shall establish My covenant with him for an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him. 20 As for Yishma'El, I have heard you; behold, I shall bless him, and shall make him fruitful and shall multiply him exceedingly. He shall father twelve princes, and I shall make him for a great nation. **21** But My covenant I shall establish with Yitschag, whom Sarah shall bear to you at this season next year. 22 When He finished talking with him, Elohim went up from Abraham. 23 Then Abraham took Yishma'El his son, and all the servants who were born in his house and all who were bought with his money, every male among the men of Abraham's house, and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin in this same day, even as Elohim had said to him. 24 Now Abraham was the son being ninety-nine years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 25 And Yishma'El his son was the son being thirteen years old when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin. 26 In this same day Abraham was circumcised, and Yishma'El his son. 27 All the men of his house, who were born in the house or bought with money from a son of foreigner, were circumcised with him.

Chapter 18

1 Now 1911 appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, while he was sitting at the tent door in the heat of the day. 2 When he lifted up his eyes and looked, behold, three men were standing opposite him; and when he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth, 3 and said, Adonay, if now I have found favor in your sight, please do not pass your servant by. 4 Please let a little water be brought and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree; 5 and I shall bring a piece of bread, that you may refresh your heart; after that you may go on, for this is why you have come to your servant. And they said, So do, as you have said. 6 So Abraham hurried into the tent to Sarah, and said, Quickly, prepare three measures of fine flour, knead it and make cakes. 7 Abraham also ran to the herd, and took tender and choice a young calf and gave it to the servant, and he hurried to prepare it. 8 He took curds and milk and a young calf which he had prepared, and placed it before them; and he was standing by them under the tree as they ate. 9 Then they said to him, Where is Sarah your wife? And he said, Behold, in the tent. 10 He said, I shall surely return to you at the time of life; and behold, Sarah your wife shall have a son. And Sarah was listening at the tent door, in which she was behind him. 11 Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in days; the custom of women had ceased to be as to Sarah. 12 Sarah laughed to herself, saying, After I have become old, shall I have pleasure, my master being old also? 13 And **AMA** said to Abraham, Why at this did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I indeed truly bear, even when I am so old? 14 Is anything too hard for $\frac{1}{1}$ At the appointed time I shall return to you, at the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son. 15 Sarah denied it, saying, I did not laugh; for she was afraid. And He said, No, but you did laugh. 16 Then the men rose up from there, and looked on the face of Sedom; and Abraham was walking with them to send them off. 17 3131 said, Shall I hide from Abraham what I do, 18 since Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and in him all the nations of the earth shall be blessed? **19** For I have chosen him, so that whatever he may command his children and his house after him to keep the way of **AMAW** by doing righteousness and justice, so that 1911 may bring upon Abraham what He has spoken about him. 20 And 3434said, The outcry of Sedom and Amorah because it is great, and their sin because it is exceedingly grave. **21** I shall go down now, and see if they have done entirely according to its outcry, which has come to Me; and if not, I shall know. 22 Then the men turned away from there and went toward Sedom, while Abraham was still standing before **393**1. 23 Abraham came near and said, Shall You indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? 24 Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; shall You indeed sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous who are in it? **25** Far be it from You to do in this thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous should be as the wicked. Far be it from You! Shall not the Judge of all the earth deal justly? **26** So **393** said, If I find in Sedom fifty righteous within the city, then I shall spare the whole place on their account. 27 And Abraham answered and said, Now behold, I have ventured to speak to Adonay, although I am but dust and ashes. 28 Suppose the fifty righteous are lacking five, shall You destroy the whole city because of five? And He said, I shall not destroy it if I find forty-five there. 29 He continued still to speak to Him and said, Suppose forty are found there? And He said, I shall not do it on account of the forty. **30** Then he said, Oh may Adonay not be angry, and I shall speak; suppose thirty are found there? And He said, I shall not do it if I find thirty there. **31** And he said, Now behold, I have ventured to speak to Adonay; suppose twenty are found there? And He said, I shall not destroy it on account of the twenty. 32 Then he said, Oh may Adonay not be angry, and I shall speak only this once; suppose ten are found there? And He said, I shall not destroy it on account of the ten. 33 As soon as He had finished speaking to Abraham **393** departed, and Abraham returned to his place.

Chapter 19

a, After I have become old,
master being old also?1 Now the two messengers came to Sedom in the
evening as Lot was sitting in the gate of Sedom.
When Lot saw them, he rose up to meet them and
bowed his face to the ground.
2 And he said, Now
behold, my master, please turn aside into your
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servant's house, and stay, and wash your feet; then you may rise early and go on your way. They said, No, but we shall stay in the street. 3 Yet he urged them much, so they turned aside to him and came into his house; and he prepared a feast for them, and baked unleavened bread, and they ate. 4 Before they lay down, the men of the city, the men of Sedom, surrounded the house, from young to old, all the people from every quarter; 5 and they called to Lot and said to him, Where are the men who came to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may have relations with them. 6 But Lot went out to them at the doorway, and shut the door behind him, 7 and said, Please, my brothers, do not act wickedly. 8 Now behold, I have two daughters who have not had relations with man; please let me bring them out to you, and do to them as is good in your eyes; only do not anything to these men, for this reason they have come under my roof. 9 But they said, Stand aside. And, they said, This one came in to visit, and must he always judge; now we shall do evil to you, than to them. So they pressed on the man upon Lot greatly and came near to break the door. 10 But the men reached out their hands and brought Lot into the house with them, and shut the door. 11 They struck the men who were at the door of the house with blindness, from the small to the great, so that they struggled to find the door. 12 Then the men said to Lot, Whom else have you here? A son-in-law, and your sons, and your daughters, and whomever you have in the city, bring them out of the place; 13 for we are about to destroy this place, because their outcry is great before **111** that **111** has sent us to destroy it. 14 Lot went out and spoke to his sons-in-law, those taking his daughters, and said, Get up, get out of this place, for **AMAN** shall destroy the city. But he appeared as one that jested in the eyes of his sonsin-law. 15 When the dawn had ascended, the messengers urged to Lot, saying, Get up, take your wife and your two daughters who are found here, lest you shall be cut off in the punishment of the city. 16 But he hesitated. So the men lay hold of his hand and of the hand of his wife and of the hands of his two daughters, for the compassion of **3131** was upon him; and they brought him out, and put him outside the city. 17 And it was, as they led them out outside, He said, Escape for your life! Do not look behind you, and do not stay in all the valley; escape to the mountains, lest you shall be swept away. 18 But Lot said to them, Oh no, my master! 19 Now behold, your servant has found favor in your sight, and you have magnified your lovingkindness, which you have shown me by saving my life; but I am not able to escape to the mountains, lest the disaster shall overtake me and I shall die; 20 now behold, this town is near to flee there, and it is small. Please, let me escape there (is it not small?) that my life may be saved. 21 He said to him, Behold, I have accepted your face also, as

without overthrowing the town this thing, concerning of which you have spoken. 22 Hurry, escape there, for I am not able to do anything until you arrive there. Therefore the name of the town was called Tsoar. 23 The sun had risen over the earth when Lot came to Tsoar. 24 Then 3131/ rained on Sedom and on Amorah brimstone and fire from $3^{4}3^{4}$ out of the heavens, 25 and He overthrew those cities, and all the valley, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and what grew on the ground. 26 But his wife, from behind him, looked back, and she became a pillar of salt. 27 Now Abraham arose early in the morning to the place where he had stood there before 3434; 28 and he looked down toward Sedom and Amorah, and toward all the face of the land of the valley, and he saw, and behold, the smoke of the land ascended like the smoke of a furnace. 29 Thus it came about, when Elohim destroyed the cities of the valley, that Elohim remembered Abraham, and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when He overthrew the cities in them which Lot lived. **30** And Lot went up from Tsoar, and stayed in the mountains, and his two daughters with him; for he was afraid to stay in Tsoar; and he stayed in a cave, he and his two daughters. 31 Then the firstborn said to the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man on earth to come in to us after the manner of all the earth. 32 Come, let us make our father drink wine, and let us lie with him that we may preserve the seed through our father. 33 So they made their father drink wine in that night, and the firstborn went in and lay with her father; and he did not know when she lay down or when she arose. 34 And it was on the next day, the firstborn said to the younger, Behold, I lay last night with my father; let us make him drink wine tonight also; then you go in and lie with him, that we may preserve the seed through our father. 35 So they made their father drink wine in that night also, and the younger arose and lay with him; and he did not know when she lay down or when she arose. 36 Thus both the daughters of Lot were with child by their father. 37 The firstborn bore a son, and called his name Moab; he is the father of Moab to this day. **38** As for the younger, she also bore a son, and called his name Ben-ammi; he is the father of the sons of Ammon to this day.

Chapter 20

1 Now Abraham journeyed from there toward the land of the Negeb, and settled between Qadesh and Shur; then he sojourned in Gerar. 2 Abraham said of Sarah his wife, She is my sister. So Abimelek king of Gerar sent and took Sarah. 3 But Elohim came to Abimelek in a dream of the night, and said to him, Behold, you are about to die because of the woman whom you have taken, for she is married to a husband. 4 Now Abimelek had not come near to her; and he said, O Adonay, shall You slay even a righteous nation? 5 Did he not say to me, She is my h/Low English edited by Lanny Mebust – page 11 sister? And she, even, she said to me, He is my brother. In the integrity of my heart and in the innocence of my hands I have done this. 6 Then the Elohim said to him in the dream, Yes, I know that in the integrity of your heart you have done this, and I also kept you from sinning against Me; for that reason I did not let you to touch her. 7 Now then, restore the man's wife, for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for you and you shall live. But if you do not restore her, know that you shall surely die, you and all who are yours. 8 So Abimelek arose early in the morning and called for all his servants and told all these words in their hearing; and the men were greatly frightened. 9 Then Abimelek called to Abraham and said to him, What have you done to us? And how have I sinned against you, that you have brought on me and on my kingdom a great sin? You have done to me things that ought not to be done. 10 And Abimelek said to Abraham, What have you encountered, that you have done this thing? 11 Abraham said, Because I thought, surely there is no fear of Elohim in this place, and they shall kill me for the sake of my wife. 12 And yet she really is my sister, the daughter of my father, but not the daughter of my mother, and she became to me for wife; 13 and it came about, when Elohim caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said to her, This is the kindness which you shall show to me at every place whichever we go there, say of me, He is my brother. 14 Abimelek then took sheep and oxen and male servants and female servants, and gave to Abraham, and restored his wife Sarah to him. 15 Abimelek said, Behold, my land is before your faces; live where is good in your eyes. 16 To Sarah he said, Behold, I have given your brother a thousand pieces of silver; behold, it is a covering of the eyes for you, with all who are with you, and with all this you are cleared. 17 Abraham prayed to the Eohim, and Elohim healed Abimelek and his wife and his maids, so that they gave birth. 18 For 3931 had closed fast through all the wombs of the house of Abimelek because of Sarah, Abraham's wife.

Chapter 21

1 Then 3131 visited Sarah as He had said, and **313** did for Sarah as He had promised. **2** So Sarah conceived and bore a son to Abraham in his old age, at the appointed time of which Elohim had spoken to him. 3 Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore to him, Yitschag (Issac). 4 Then Abraham circumcised his son Yitschaq when he was the son of eight days old, as Elohim had commanded him. 5 Now Abraham was the son being one hundred years old when his son Yitschaq was born to him. 6 Sarah said, Elohim has made laughter for me; everyone who hears shall laugh with me. 7 And she said, Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? For I have borne him a son in his old age. 8 The child grew and was weaned, and Abraham made a

great feast on the day that Yitschaq was weaned. 9 Now Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Mitsrite, whom she had borne to Abraham, mocking. 10 Therefore she said to Abraham, Drive out this maid and her son, for the son of this maid shall not be an heir with my son with Yitschaq. 11 And the thing was very evil in the eyes of Abraham, on account of his son. 12 But Elohim said to Abraham. Let it not be evil in the eyes because of the lad and because of your maid; whatever Sarah tells you, listen to her voice, for through Yitschaq your descendants shall be named. 13 And of the son of this maid I shall make into a nation also, because he is your descendant. 14 So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water and gave them to Hagar, putting them on her shoulder, and the boy, and sent her away. And she departed and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba. 15 When the water in the skin was used up, she left the boy under one of the bushes. 16 Then she went and sat down for herself opposite him, about a bowshot away, for she said, Do not let me see the death of the child. And she sat opposite him, and lifted up her voice and wept. 17 Elohim heard the voice of the lad; and the messenger of Elohim called to Hagar from the heavens and said to her, What is the matter with you, Hagar? Do not fear, for Elohim has heard the voice of the lad where he is there. 18 Arise, lift up the lad, and hold up your hand on him, for I shall make a great nation of him. 19 Then Elohim opened her eyes and she saw a well of water; and she went and filled the skin with water and gave the lad a drink. **20** Elohim was with the lad, and he grew; and he lived in the wilderness and became an grand archer. 21 He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother took a wife for him from the land of Mitsrayim. 22 Now it came about at that time, Abimelek and Phikol, the commander of his army, spoke to Abraham, saying, Elohim is with you in all that you do; 23 now therefore, swear to me here by Elohim that you shall not lie to me nor to my offspring nor to my posterity, but according to the kindness that I have shown to you, you shall show to me and to the land in which you have lived in it. 24 Abraham said, I swear it. 25 But Abraham complained to Abimelek because of the well of water which the servants of Abimelech had seized. 26 And Abimelek said, I do not know who has done this thing; also, you did not tell me, nor did I even hear of it except today. 27 Abraham took sheep and oxen and gave them to Abimelek, and the two of them made a covenant. **28** Then Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves. 29 Abimelek said to Abraham, What mean these seven ewe lambs, which you have set by themselves? 30 He said, For you shall take the seven ewe lambs from my hand so that it may be a witness to me, that I dug this well. 31 For this reason that place is called Beer Shaba, because there the two of them took an oath. **32** So they

made a covenant at Beer Shaba; and Abimelek and Phikol, the commander of his army, arose and returned to the land of Pilishetim. **33** He planted a tamarisk tree at Beersheba, and there he called on the name of \mathfrak{AMAV} , the Everlasting El. **34** And Abraham sojourned in the land of Pelishetim for many days.

Chapter 22

1 Now it came about after these things, that the Elohim tested Abraham, and said to him, Abraham! And he said. Here I am. 2 He said. Take now your son, your only one, whom you love, Yitschaq, and get you to the land of MorYah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall name to you. 3 So Abraham rose early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and Yitschaq his son; and he split wood for the burnt offering, and arose and went to the place of which the Elohim had told him. 4 On the third day Abraham raised his eyes and saw the place from a distance. 5 Abraham said to his young men, You stay here with the donkey, and I and the lad shall go over there; and we shall worship and return to you. 6 Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Yitschaq his son, and he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. **7** Yitschaq spoke to Abraham his father and said, My father! And he said, Here I am, my son. And he said, Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for the burnt offering? 8 Abraham said, Elohim shall provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son. So the two of them walked on together. 9 Then they came to the place of which the Elohim had told him; and Abraham built the altar there and arranged the wood, and bound his son Yitschaq and laid him on the altar, on the wood. 10 Abraham stretched out his hand and took the knife to slay his son. 11 But the messenger of **393**% called to him from the heavens and said, Abraham, Abraham! And he said, Here I am. 12 He said, Do not stretch out your hand against the lad, nor do to him for anything; for now I know that you fear Elohim, since you have not withheld your son, your only one, from Me. 13 Then Abraham raised his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him a ram caught in the thicket by his horns; and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering instead of his son. 14 Abraham called the name of that place **4111** shall provide, as it is said to this day, in the mount of **111** it shall be provided. **15** Then the messenger of 31131 called to Abraham a second time from the heavens, 16 and He said, By Myself I have sworn, declares 3131 that, because you have done this thing and have not withheld your son, your only one, 17 that I shall greatly bless you, and I shall greatly multiply your seed as the stars of the heavens and as the sand which is on the seashore; and your seed shall possess the gate of

their enemies. 18 In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice. 19 So Abraham returned to his young men, and they arose and went together to Beer Shaba; and Abraham lived at Beer Shaba. 20 Now it came about after these things, that it was told to Abraham, she also has borne saying, Behold, Milkah! children to your brother Nachor: 21 Uts his firstborn and Buz his brother and Qemu'El the father of Aram 22 and Kesed and Chazo and Pildash and Yidlaph and Bethu'El. 23 Bethu'El fathered Ribgah; these eight Milkah bore to Nachor, Abraham's brother. 24 His concubine, whose name was Reumah, she also bore Tebach and Gacham and Tachash and Maakah.

Chapter 23

1 Now the life of Sarah was one hundred and twenty-seven years; these were the years of the life of Sarah. 2 Sarah died in Qirvat-Arba that is, Chebron in the land of Kenaan: and Abraham went in to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her. 3 Then Abraham rose from before his dead, and spoke to the sons of Cheth, saying, 4 I am a stranger and a sojourner among you; give me a possession of a burying place among you that I may bury my dead out of my sight. 5 The sons of Cheth answered Abraham, saying to him, 6 Hear us, my master, you are a mighty prince of Elohim among us; bury your dead in the choicest of our graves; a man of us shall not withhold from you his grave for burying your dead. 7 So Abraham rose and bowed to the people of the land, to the sons of Cheth. 8 And he spoke with them, saying, If it is your desire to bury my dead out of my sight, hear me, and approach Ephron the son of Tsochar for me, 9 that he may give to me the cave of Makpelah which he owns, which is at the end of his field; for the full price let him give it to me in your presence for a burial site. 10 Now Ephron was sitting among the sons of Cheth; and Ephron the Chittite answered Abraham in the hearing of the sons of Cheth; even of all who went in at the gate of his city, saying, **11** No, my master, hear me; I give to you the field, and I give to you the cave that is in it. In the presence of the sons of my people I give it to you; bury your dead. 12 And Abraham bowed before the people of the land. 13 And he spoke to Ephron in the hearing of the people of the land, saying, If you shall only please listen to me; I shall give the price of the field, take it from me that I may bury my dead there. 14 Then Ephron answered Abraham, saying to him, 15 My master, hear me; the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver, what is that between me and you? So bury your dead. 16 Abraham listened to Ephron; and Abraham weighed for Ephron the silver which he had spoken in the hearing of the sons of Cheth, four hundred shekels of silver passes with the merchant. 17 So Ephron's field, which was in Makpelah, was certified, which was before Mamre, the field and the

cave which was in it, and all the trees which were in the field, that were within all its border surrounding it; **18** to Abraham for a possession in the presence of the sons of Cheth, before all who went in at the gate of his city. **19** After this, Abraham buried Sarah his wife at the cave of the field of Makpelah before Mamre that is, Chebron in the land of Kenaan. **20** So the field and the cave that is in it, were deeded over to Abraham for a burial site by the sons of Cheth.

Chapter 24

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (6th sidrah) Genesis 24 26) 1 Now Abraham was old, advanced in days; and 3131 had blessed Abraham in all things. 2 Abraham said to his servant, the oldest of his house, who ruled in all that belonged to him, Please place your hand under my thigh, 3 and I shall make you swear by **3111**, the El of the heavens and the El of earth, that you shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I live, 4 but you shall go to my country and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son Yitschaq. 5 The servant said to him, Suppose the woman is not willing to follow me to this land; should I take truly your son back to the land from where you came out from there? 6 Then Abraham said to him, Beware for yourself lest you take my son back there! 7 **111**, the El of the heavens, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my birth, and who spoke to me and who swore to me, saying, To your descendants I shall give this land, He shall send His messenger before your faces, and you shall take a wife for my son from there. 8 But if the woman is not willing to go after you, then you shall be free from this my oath; only do not take my son back there. 9 So the servant placed his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and swore to him concerning this matter. 10 Then the servant took ten camels from the camels of his master, and left. For all the goods of his master in his hand; and he arose and went to Aram Narayim, to the city of Nachor. **11** He knelt the camels outside the city by the well of water at the evening time, the time that women go out to draw. **12** He said, O **31111**, the El of my master Abraham, please cause to meet her before me today, and show lovingkindness to my master Abraham. **13** Behold, I am standing by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water; 14 And let the damsel to whom I say, Please let down your jar so that I may drink, and who answers, Drink, and I shall water your camels also - let herbe the one You have appointed for Your servant for Yitschaq; and by this I shall know that You have shown kindness to my master. 15 And it happened before he had finished speaking, behold, Ribgah who was born to Bethu'El the son of Milkah, the wife of Abraham's brother Nachor, came out with her jar on her shoulder. 16 The damsel was of a very beautiful appearance, a maiden, and no man knowing her; and she went

down to the well and filled her jar and came up. 17 Then the servant ran to meet her, and said, Please let me drink a little water from your jar. 18 She said, Drink, my master; and she hurried and let down her jar to her hand, and gave him a drink. **19** Now when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, I shall draw also for your camels until they have finished drinking. 20 So she hurried and emptied her jar into the trough, and ran again to the well to draw, and she drew for all his camels. 21 And the man was gazing at her in silence, to know whether **313**¹/₁ had made his journey successful or not. 22 It happened when the camels had finished drinking, the man took a gold ring weighing a halfshekel and two bracelets for her wrists weighing ten of gold, 23 and said, Whose daughter are you? Please tell me, is there room for us to lodge in your father's house? 24 She said to him, I am the daughter of Bethu'El, the son of Milkah, whom she bore to Nachor. 25 Again she said to him, both straw and feed are plentiful with us, and also room to lodge in. 26 Then the man bowed and worshiped 3131. 27 He said, Blessed be 3131, the El of my master Abraham, who has not forsaken His kindness and His truth with my master; I being in the way, **191** has guided me to the house of my master's brothers. 28 Then the damsel ran and told her mother's house about these things. 29 Now Ribgah had a brother whose name was Laban; and Laban ran outside to the man at the spring. 30 It was when he saw the ring and the bracelets on his sister's wrists, and when he heard the words of Ribgah his sister, saying, The man spoke this to me, then he went to the man; and behold, he was standing by the camels at the spring. 31 And he said, Come in, blessed of **111** Why do you stand outside since I have prepared the house, and a place for the camels? 32 So the man entered into the house. Then he unloaded the camels, and he gave straw and feed to the camels, and water to wash his feet and the feet of the men who were with him. **33** And the food was set before him to eat, he said, I shall not eat until I have told my message. And he said, Speak on. 34 So he said, I am Abraham's servant. **35 3431** has greatly blessed my master, so that he has become rich; and He has given him flocks and herds, and silver and gold, and servants and maids, and camels and donkeys. 36 Now Sarah my master's wife bore a son to my master when she was old, and he has given to him all that is to him. **37** My master made me swear, saying, You shall not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Kanaanites, in whose land I live; **38** but you shall go to my father's house and to my relatives, and take a wife for my son. 39 I said to my master, Suppose the woman does not go after me. 40 He said to me, 3131, before whom I have walked, shall send His messenger with you and make your journey successful, and you shall take a wife for my son from my relatives and from

my father's house; 41 then you shall be free from my oath, when you come to my relatives; and if they do not give her to you, you shall be free from my oath. 42 So I came today to the spring, and said, O **111**%, the El of my master Abraham, if now You shall propose my way in which I go by it; 43 behold, I am standing at the spring of water, and it shall come to pass, that when the maiden comes out to draw, and to her I say, Please let me drink a little water from your jar; 44 and she shall say to me, Both you drink, and I shall draw for your camels also; let her be the woman whom 3931has appointed for my master's son. 45 Before I had finished speaking in my heart, behold, Ribgah came out with her jar on her shoulder, and went down to the spring and drew, and I said to her, Please let me drink. **46** She hurried and lowered her jar from her shoulder, and said, Drink, and I shall water your camels also; so I drank, and she watered the camels also. 47 Then I asked her, and said, Whose daughter are you? And she said, The daughter of Bethu'El, Nachor's son, whom Milkah bore to him; and I put the ring on her nose, and the bracelets on her wrists. 48 And I bowed and worshiped 3431, and blessed 3131, the El of my master Abraham, who had guided me in the right way to take the daughter of my master's kinsman for his son. 49 So now if you are going to deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me; and if not, let me know, that I may turn to the right hand or to the left. 50 Then Laban and Bethu'El replied and said, The matter comes from \mathfrak{AMAW} ; so we are not able to speak to you evil or good. 51 Behold, Ribgah is before your face, take her and go, and let her be the wife of your master's son, as analy has spoken. 52 And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he bowed himself to the ground before **31111**. **53** The servant brought out articles of silver and articles of gold, and garments, and gave them to Ribqah; he also gave jewels to her brother and to her mother. 54 Then they ate and drank, he and the men who were with him and they lodged. When they arose in the morning, he said, Send me away to my master. 55 But her brother and her mother said, Let the damsel stay with us a few days, say ten; afterward she may go. 56 He said to them, Do not delay me, since **313** has prospered my way. Send me away that I may go to my master. 57 And they said, We shall call the damsel and consult her wishes. 58 Then they called Ribqah and said to her, Shall you go with this man? And she said, I shall go. 59 And they sent away their sister Ribgah and her nurse with Abraham's servant and his men. 60 They blessed Ribqah and said to her, May you, our sister, become thousands of ten thousands, and may your descendants possess the gate of those who hate them. 61 Then Ribgah arose with her maids, and they mounted on the camels and followed after the man. So the servant took Ribgah and departed. 62 Now Yitschag had come from the gate to Beer-Lachay-Roi; for he was living in the land of the Negeb. **63** Yitschaq went out to meditate in the field toward evening; and he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, camels were coming. **64** Ribqah lifted up her eyes, and when she saw Yitschaq she dismounted from the camel. **65** She said to the servant, Who is this man walking in the field to meet us? And the servant said, He is my master. Then she took her veil and covered herself. **66** The servant told Yitschaq all the things that He had done. **67** Then Yitschaq brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and he took Ribqah, and she became his wife, and he loved her; thus Yitschaq was comforted after his mother.

Chapter 25

1 Now Abraham added and took another wife, whose name was Qeturah. 2 She bore to him Zimran and Yaqeshan and Medan and Midyan and Yishbaq and Shuach. 3 Yaqeshan fathered of Sheba and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Ashshurim and Letushim and Leummim. 4 The sons of Midyan were Eyphah and Epher and Chanok and Abida and Eldaah. All these were the sons of Qeturah. 5 Now Abraham gave all that was to him to Yitschaq; 6 but to the sons of his concubines, who were to Abraham, Abraham gave gifts while he was still living, and sent them away from his son Yitschaq eastward, to the land of the east. 7 These are the days of the years of Abraham's life that he lived, one hundred and seventy-five years. 8 Abraham expired and died in a good old age, aged, and satisfied and he was gathered to his people. 9 Then his sons Yitschaq and Yishma'El buried him in the cave of Makpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Tsochar the Chittite, which is before Mamre, 10 the field which Abraham purchased from the sons of Cheth; there Abraham was buried with Sarah his wife. **11** It came about after the death of Abraham, that Elohim blessed his son Yitschaq; and Yitschaq lived by Beer-Lachay-Roi. 12 Now these are the generations of Yishma'El, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Mitsrite, Sarah's maid, bore to Abraham; 13 and these are the names of the sons of Yishma'El, by their names, according to their generations: Nebayoth, the firstborn of Yishma'El, and Qedar and Adbe'El and Mibsam 14 and Mishma and Dumah and Massa, 15 Chadad and Theyma, Yetur, Naphish and Qedemah. 16 These, they, are the sons of Yishma'El and these are their names, by their villages, and by their camps; twelve princes according to their tribes. 17 These are the years of the life of Yishma'El, one hundred and thirty-seven years; and he expired and died, and was gathered to his people. 18 They settled from Chawilah to Shur which is before Mitsrayim as one goes toward Ashshur; he settled before all his brothers. **19** Now these are the generations of Yitschaq, Abraham's son: Abraham fathered Yitschaq; **20** and Yitschaq was the son being forty

years old when he took Ribgah, the daughter of Bethu'El the Aramean of Paddan-Aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean to him, to be his wife. 21 Yitschaq prayed to **31111** on behalf of his wife, because she was barren; and 3131 was entreated for him and Ribgah his wife conceived. 22 But the children struggled together in her womb; and she said, If it is so, why then am I this way? So she went to inquire of 3434. 23 3434 said to her, Two nations are in your womb; and two peoples shall be separated from your body; And one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the older shall serve the younger. 24 When her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold, there were twins in her womb. **25** Now the first came forth red, all of him like a hairy garment; and they called his name Esau. 26 Afterward his brother came forth with his hand holding on to Esau's heel, so his name was called Ya'aqob (Jacob); and Yitschaq was the son being sixty years old when she bore them. **27** When the boys grew up, Esau became a man acquainted with hunting, a man of the field, but Ya'aqob was a simple man, living in tents. 28 Now Yitschaq loved Esau, because vension was in his mouth, but Ribgah loved Ya'aqob. 29 When Ya'aqob had cooked stew, Esau came in from the field and he was famished; **30** and Esau said to Ya'agob, Please let me have of the red, this red stuff there, for I am famished. Therefore his name was called Edom. **31** But Ya'aqob said, Sell me your birthright today. 32 Esau said, Behold, I am about to die; so of what good is this, the birthright to me? 33 And Ya'aqob said, Swear to me this day; so he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Ya'aqob. 34 Then Ya'agob gave to Esau bread and lentil stew; and he ate and drank, and rose up and left. Thus Esau despised his birthright.

Chapter 26

1 Now there was a famine in the land, besides the previous famine that had occurred in the days of Abraham. So Yitschaq went to Gerar, to Abimelek king of the Pilishetim. 2 3131 appeared to him and said, Do not go down to Mitsrayim; stay in the land of which I shall say to you. 3 Sojourn in this land and I shall be with you and bless you, for to you and to your descendants I shall give all these lands, and I shall establish the oath which I swore to vour father Abraham. **4** I shall multiply your descendants as the stars of the heavens, and shall give to your descendants all these lands; and by your descendants all the nations of the earth shall be blessed; 5 because Abraham listened to My voice and obeyed My charge, My commandments, My statutes and My laws. 6 So Yitschaq lived in Gerar. **7** When the men of the place asked about his wife, he said. She is my sister, for he was afraid to say, my wife, lest, the men of the place might kill me on account of Ribgah, for she is beautiful in appearance. 8 It came about, when his days there had been prolonged to him, that Abimelek king of

Philishetim looked out through a window, and saw, and behold, Yitschaq was playing with his wife Ribgah. 9 Then Abimelek called Yitschag and said, Behold, certainly she is your wife! How then did you say, She is my sister? And Yitschaq said to him, Because I said, lest I die on account of her. 10 Abimelek said, What is this you have done to us? One of the people almost have lain with your wife, and you would have brought guilt upon us. 11 So Abimelek charged all the people, saying, He who touches this man or his wife shall surely be put to death. 12 Now Yitschaq sowed in that land and reaped in the same year a hundredfold. And **343**% 13 and the man became rich, and blessed him, continued to grow richer until he became very great; 14 to him was possessions of flocks and possession of herds and a great house, so that Pilishetim envied him. **15** Now all the wells which his father's servants had dug in the days of Abraham his father, Pilishetim stopped them and filled them with earth. 16 Then Abimelek said to Yitschaq, Go away from us, for you are too powerful for us. 17 And Yitschaq departed from there and camped in the valley of Gerar, and settled there. **18** Then Yitschaq dug again the wells of water which had been dug in the days of his father Abraham, for Pilishetim had stopped them up after the death of Abraham; and he gave to them names like the names which his father had given them. 19 But when Yitschaq's servants dug in the valley and found there a well of flowing water, 20 the herdsmen of Gerar quarreled with the herdsmen of Yitschaq, saying, The water belongs to us! So he called the name of the well Eseq, because they contended with him. 21 Then they dug another well, and they quarreled over it too, so he called its name Sitnah. 22 He moved away from there and dug another well, and they did not quarrel over it; so he called its name Rechoboth, and he said, for now 3131 has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land. 23 Then he went up from there to Beer Shaba. 24 3131 appeared to him in the same night and said, I am the El of your father Abraham; Do not fear, for I am with you. I shall bless you, and multiply your descendants, for the sake of My servant Abraham. 25 So he built an altar there and called upon the name of 3434, and pitched his tent there; and there Yitschaq's servants dug a well. 26 Then Abimelek came to him from Gerar with his adviser Achuzzath and Phikol the commander of his army. 27 Yitschaq said to them, Why have you come to me, since you hate me and have sent me away from you? 28 They said, We see plainly that **AMA** has been with you; so we said, Let there now be an oath between us, even between you and us, and let us make a covenant with you, 29 that you shall do us no harm, just as we have not touched and as you and have done to you only good and have sent you away in peace. You are now the blessed of 3434. 30 Then he made them a feast, and they ate and drank. **31** In

the morning they arose early and sworn each to his brother; then Yitschaq sent them away and they departed from him in peace. **32** Now it came about on that day, that Yitschaq's servants came in and told him about the well which they had dug, and said to him, We have found water. **33** So he called it Shibah; therefore the name of the city is Beer Sheba to this day. **34** When Esau was the son being forty years old he took a wife Yahudith the daughter of Beeri the Chittite; **35** and they become a grief of mind to Yitschaq and to Ribqah.

Chapter 27

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (7th sidrah) Genesis 27 31:2) **1** Now it came about, when Yitschag was old and his eyes were dim to see, that he called his older son Esau and said to him, My son. And he said to him, Here I am. 2 Yitschaq said, Behold now, I am old and I do not know the day of my death. 3 Now then, please take your weapons, your quiver and your bow, and go out to the field and hunt game for me; 4 and prepare a savory dish for me such as I love, and bring it to me that I may eat, so that my soul may bless you before I die. 5 Ribgah was listening Yitschaq's speech to his son Esau. So when Esau went to the field to hunt for game to bring home, 6 Ribgah spoke to her son Ya'aqob, saying, Behold, I heard your father talk to your brother Esau, saying, 7 Bring me some game and prepare a savory dish for me, that I may eat, and bless you in the presence of **AMAN** before my death. 8 Now therefore, my son, listen my voice as I command you. 9 Go now to the flock and bring me two good kids of goats from there, that I may prepare them as a savory dish for your father, such as he loves. 10 Then you shall bring it to your father, that he may eat, so that he may bless you before his death. 11 Ya'agob answered to his mother Ribgah, Behold, Esau my brother is a hairy man and I am a smooth man. 12 Perhaps my father shall feel me, then I shall be as a deceiver in his sight, and I shall bring upon myself a curse and not a blessing. 13 But his mother said to him, Your curse be on me, my son; only obey my voice, and go, get them for me. **14** So he went and got them, and brought them to his mother; and his mother made savory food such as his father loved. 15 Then Ribgah took the garments of Esau her elder son, the costly ones, which were with her in the house, and put them on Ya'aqob her younger son. 16 And she put the skins of the kids of the goats on his hands and on the smooth part of his neck. 17 She gave the savory food and the bread, which she had made, into the hand of her son Ya'aqob. 18 Then he came to his father and said, My father. And he said, Here I am. Who are you, my son? 19 Ya'aqob said to his father, I am Esau your firstborn; I have done as you told me. Get up, please, sit and eat of my game, that your soul may bless me. 20 Yitschaq said to his son, then How is it that you have found it so

quickly, my son? And he said, Because 3131 your El caused it to happen to me. 21 Then Yitschaq said to Ya'aqob, Please come close, that I may feel you, my son, whether you then are my son Esau or not. **22** So Ya'aqob came close to Yitschaq his father, and he felt him and said, The voice is the voice of Ya'aqob, but the hands are the hands of Esau. 23 He did not recognize him, because his hands were hairy like his brother Esau's hands; so he blessed him. 24 And he said, Are you, then, my son Esau? And he said, I am. 25 So he said, Bring it to me, and I shall eat of my son's game, that my soul may bless you. And he brought it to him, and he ate; he also brought him wine and he drank. 26 Then his father Yitschag said to him, Please come close and kiss me, my son. 27 So he came close and kissed him; and when he smelled the smell of his garments, he blessed him and said. See, the smell of my son is like the smell of a field which **111** has blessed; **28** Now may the Elohim give you the dew of the heavens, and of the fatness of the earth, and an abundance of grain and wine; 29 May nations serve you, and peoples bow down to you; be master to your brothers, and may your mother's sons bow down to you. Cursed be those who curse you, and blessed be those who bless you. **30** Now it came about, when Yitschaq had finished blessing Ya'agob, then it was that Ya'agob had hardly gone out from the presence of Yitschaq his father, that Esau his brother came in from his hunting. 31 Then he also made savory food, and brought it to his father; and he said to his father, Let my father arise and eat of his son's game, that your soul may bless me. 32 Yitschaq his father said to him, Who are you? And he said, I am your son, your firstborn, Esau. 33 Then Yitschaq was terrified with a very great terror, and said, Who was he then that hunted game and brought it to me, so that I ate of all of it before you came, and blessed him? Yes, and he shall be blessed. 34 When Esau heard the words of his father, he cried out with a very great and bitter cry, and said to his father, Bless me, even me also, O my father! **35** And he said, Your brother came deceitfully and has taken away your blessing. 36 Then he said, That is why has called his name Ya'aqob, for he has supplanted me these two times? He took away my birthright, and behold, now he has taken away my blessing. And he said, Have you not reserved a blessing for me? 37 But Yitschaq answered and said to Esau, Behold, I have made him a master over you, and all his relatives I have given to him as servants; and with grain and wine I have sustained him. Now as for you then, what can I do, my son? **38** Esau said to his father, Is it one blessing left to you, my father? Bless me, even me also, O my father. So Esau lifted his voice 39 Then Yitschaq his father answered and wept. and said to him, Behold, away from the fertility of the earth shall be your dwelling, and away from the dew of the heavens above. **40** By your sword you

shall live, and your brother you shall serve; but it shall come about when you strive, that you shall break his yoke from your neck. 41 So Esau hated Ya'aqob because of the blessing with which his father had blessed him; and Esau said to his heart, The days of mourning for my father are near; then I shall kill my brother Ya'aqob. 42 Now when the words of her elder son Esau were reported to Ribgah, she sent and called her younger son Ya'aqob, and said to him, Behold your brother Esau is about to comfort himself upon you, to kill you. 43 Now therefore, my son, obey my voice, and arise, flee for yourself to Charan, to my brother Laban! 44 Stay with him a few days, until your brother's fury subsides, 45 until your brother's anger against you turns away and he forgets what you did to him. Then I shall send and get you from there. Why should I be bereaved of you both in one day also? 46 Ribgah said to Yitschaq, I am tired of my life because of the daughters of Cheth; if Ya'aqob takes a wife from the daughters of Cheth, like these, from the daughters of the land, what shall my life be to me?

Chapter 28

1 So Yitschaq called to Ya'aqob and blessed him and charged him, and said to him, You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Kanaan. 2 Arise, go to Padden-Aram, to the house of Bethu'El your mother's father; and from there take to yourself a wife from the daughters of Laban your mother's brother. 3 May El Shadday (Almighty) bless you and make you fruitful and multiply you, that you may become a company of peoples. 4 May He also give to you the blessing of Abraham, to you and to your descendants with you, that you may possess the land of your sojournings, which Elohim gave to Abraham. 5 Then Yitschaq sent Ya'aqob away, and he went to Padden-Aram to Laban, son of Bethu'El the Aramean, the brother of Ribgah, the mother of Ya'aqob and Esau. 6 Now Esau saw that Yitschaq had blessed Ya'aqob and sent him away to Padden-Aram to take to himself a wife from there, and that when he blessed him he charged him, saying, You shall not take a wife from the daughters of Kanaan, 7 and that Ya'aqob had obeyed his father and his mother and had gone to Padden-Aram. 8 So Esau saw that the daughters of Kanaan displeased his father Yitschaq in his eyes; 9 and Esau went to Yishma'el, and took Machalath the daughter of Yishma'el, Abraham's son, the sister of Nebayoth, besides the wives that he had for his wife. **10** Then Ya'aqob departed from Beer Shaba and went toward Charan. 11 He came to a certain place and stayed there, because the sun had set; and he took from the stones of the place and put it under his head, and lay down in that place. **12** He dreamed, and behold, a ladder was set on the earth with its top reaching to the heavens; and behold, the messengers of Elohim were ascending and descending on it. 13 And behold, $3^{4}3^{4}$ stood above it and said, I

am $\mathfrak{A}\mathfrak{A}\mathfrak{A}\mathfrak{A}$, the El of your father Abraham and the El of Yitschaq; the land on which you lie, I shall give it to you and to your descendants. 14 Your descendants shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread out to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and in you and in your descendants shall all the families of the earth be blessed. **15** Behold, I am with you and shall keep you in everywhere you go, and shall bring you back to this land; for I shall not leave you until I have done surely what I have spoke to you. 16 Then Ya'aqob awoke from his sleep and said, Surely He was afraid and said, How awesome is this place! This is none except the house of Elohim, and this is the gate of the heavens. **18** So Ya'aqob rose early in the morning, and took the stone that he had put under his head and placed it as a memorial and poured oil on its top. 19 He called the name of that place Beyth'El; yet, Luz was the name of the city at first. 20 Then Ya'aqob vowed a vow, saying, If Elohim shall be with me and shall keep me on this journey that I take, and shall give me bread to eat and garments to wear, **21** and I return to my father's house in peace, then **313** shall be to me as Elohim. 22 This stone, which I have set up as a memorial, shall be Elohim's house, and of all that You give me I shall give a tenth to You.

Chapter 29

1 Then Ya'agob lifted his feet and went to the land of the sons of the east. 2 He looked, and behold a well in the field, and behold, three flocks of sheep were lying there beside it, for from that well they watered the flocks. Now the stone on the mouth of the well was large. **3** When all the flocks were gathered there, they usually roll the stone from the mouth of the well and water the sheep, and put the stone back in its place on the mouth of the well. 4 Ya'aqob said to them, My brothers, where are you from? And they said, We are from Charan. 5 He said to them, Do you know Laban the son of Nachor? And they said, We know him. 6 And he said to them, Is it well with him? And they said, It is well, and behold, Rachel his daughter is coming with the sheep. 7 He said, Behold, it is still high day; it is not the time for the livestock to be gathered. Water the sheep, and go, pasture them. 8 But they said, We are not be, until all the flocks are gathered, and they roll the stone from the mouth of the well; then we water the sheep. 9 While he was still speaking with them, Rachel came with the sheep which were to her father, for she was a shepherdess. **10** And it happened, when Ya'aqob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother, and the sheep of Laban his mother's brother, Ya'aqob went up and rolled the stone from the mouth of the well and watered the sheep of Laban his mother's brother. **11** Then Ya'aqob kissed Rachel, and lifted his voice and wept. 12 Ya'aqob told Rachel that he was a brother of her 18

father and that he was Ribgah's son, and she ran and told her father. 13 So it was when Laban heard the news of Ya'agob his sister's son, he ran to meet him, and embraced him and kissed him and brought him to his house. Then he related to Laban all these things. **14** Laban said to him, Surely you are my bone and my flesh. And he stayed with him a month of days 15 Then Laban said to Ya'agob. Are you not my brother, should you serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be? 16 Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the older was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. **17** And Leah's eyes were weak, but Rachel was beautiful of form and beautiful of appearance. **18** Now Ya'agob loved Rachel, so he said, I shall serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel. **19** Laban said, It is better that I give her to you than to give her to another man; stay with me. 20 So Ya'aqob served seven years for Rachel and they were in his eyes like a few days because of his love for her. 21 Then Ya'aqob said to Laban, Give me my wife, for my days is completed, that I may go in to her. 22 Laban gathered all the men of the place and made a feast. 23 And it was in the evening he took his daughter Leah, and brought her to him; and he went in to her. 24 Laban also gave her his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah as a maid. 25 So it came about in the morning that, behold, she was Leah! And he said to Laban, What is this you have done to me? Was it not for Rachel that I served with you? Why then have you deceived me? **26** But Laban said. It is not done this way in our place to give the younger before the firstborn. 27 Complete the week of this one, and we shall give you this other one also for the service which you shall serve with me, yet another seven years. 28 Ya'aqob did so and completed the week of this one, and he gave to him his daughter Rachel, to him for his wife. 29 Laban also gave his maid Bilhah to his daughter Rachel, to her for her maid. 30 So he went in to Rachel also, and indeed he loved Rachel more than Leah, and he served with him, yet another seven years. 31 Now 3131 saw that Leah was hated, and He opened her womb, but Rachel was barren. 32 Leah conceived and bore a son and called his name Reuben, for she said, Because **111** has seen on my affliction; surely now my husband shall love me. 33 Then she conceived again and bore a son and said, Because **343** has heard that I am hated, and has given to me this one also. So she called his name Shimeon. 34 She conceived again and bore a son and said, Now this time my husband shall be joined to me, because I have borne to him three sons. Therefore he was called his name Lewi. 35 And she conceived again and bore a son and said, This time I shall praise **393***Y*. Therefore she called his name Yahudah (Judah). Then she stopped bearing.

1 Now when Rachel saw that she did not bear Ya'aqob, was jealous of her sister; and she said to Ya'aqob, Give to me sons, or if there is none I die. 2 Then Ya'aqob's anger burned against Rachel, and he said, Am I in the place of Elohim, who has withheld from you the fruit of the womb? 3 She said, Behold, my maid Bilhah, go in to her that let her bear on my knees, and let me be built up, me also from her. 4 So she gave him her maid Bilhah as a wife, and Ya'aqob went in to her. 5 Bilhah conceived and bore to Ya'aqob a son. 6 Then Rachel said, Elohim has judged me, and also has heard my voice and has given me a son. Therefore she called his name Dan. 7 Rachel's maid Bilhah conceived again and bore to Ya'aqob a second son. 8 So Rachel said, With mighty wrestlings of Elohim I have wrestled with my sister, and I have indeed prevailed. And she called his name Naphtali. 9 When Leah saw that she had ceased from bearing, she took her maid Zilpah and gave her to Ya'aqob as a wife. **10** Leah's maid Zilpah bore to Ya'aqob a son. 11 Then Leah said, With fortunate! So she called his name Gad. 12 Leah's maid Zilpah bore to Ya'agob a second son. **13** Then Leah said, In my happiness! For daughters shall call me happy. So she called his name Asher. 14 Now in the days of wheat harvest Reuben went and found mandrakes in the field, and brought them to his mother Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah, Please give me from the mandrakes of your son. 15 But she said to her, Is it a small matter for you to take my husband? And would vou take the mandrakes of my son also? So Rachel said, Therefore he may lie with you tonight in return mandrakes of your son. **16** When Ya'aqob came in from the field in the evening, then Leah went out to meet him and said, You must come in to me, for I have surely hired you with the mandrakes of my son. So he lay with her during that night. **17** Elohim listened to Leah, and she conceived and bore to Ya'aqob a fifth son. 18 Then Leah said, Elohim has given me my wages because I gave my maid to my husband. So she called his name Yissashkar. 19 Leah conceived again and bore a sixth son to Ya'aqob. 20 Then Leah said, Elohim has given me a good gift; this time my husband shall dwell with me, because I have borne to him So she called his name Zebulun. 21 six sons. Afterward she bore a daughter and called her name Dinah. 22 Then Elohim remembered Rachel, and Elohim listened to her and opened her womb. 23 So she conceived and bore a son and said, Elohim has taken away my reproach. 24 She called his name Yoseph, saying, May **313** give to me another son. 25 Now it came about when Rachel had borne Yoseph, that Ya'aqob said to Laban, Send me away, that I may go to my own place and to my own country. **26** Give me my wives and my children for whom I have served you for them, and let me depart; for you yourself know my service

which I have rendered you. 27 But Laban said to

him, If now I have found favor in your eyes, please stay; that **313**% has blessed me on your account. 28 He said, Set your wages on me, and I shall give it. 29 But he said to him, You know how I have served you and how your cattle have fared with me. **30** For a little which was to you before me, and it has increased to a multitude, and **343**1/2 has blessed you wherever I turned. But now, when shall I provide I, also, for my own house? 31 So he said, What shall I give you? And Ya'aqob said, You shall not give me anything. If you shall do this thing for me, I shall remain; I shall tend your flock and shall keep it: 32 let me pass through your entire flock today, removing from there every speckled and spotted sheep and every black sheep among the lambs and the spotted and speckled among the goats; and such shall be my wages. 33 So my righteousness shall testify for me in the day to come, when you come concerning my wages before your faces. Every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats and black among the lambs, it is stolen with me. 34 Laban said, Good, truly, let it be according to your word. 35 So he removed on that day the striped and spotted lambs and all the speckled and spotted goats, every one with white in it, and all the black ones among the sheep, and he gave them into the care of his sons. **36** And he put three days' journey between himself and Ya'aqob, and Ya'aqob fed the rest of Laban's flocks. **37** Then Ya'aqob took for himself rods of a fresh white tree, and the almond and the plane tree, and peeled white stripes in them, exposing the white which was on the rods. 38 He set the rods which he had peeled by the troughs by the water troughs, where the flocks came to drink across from the flocks; and they mated when they came to drink. **39** So the flocks mated by the rods, and the flocks brought forth striped, speckled, and spotted. 40 Ya'aqob separated the lambs, and made the faces of the flocks toward the striped and all the black in the flock of Laban; and he put his own herds apart, and did not put them with Laban's flock. 41 And it happened that whenever the stronger of the flock conceived, Ya'aqob would place the rods in the sight of the flock in the troughs, so that they might mate by the rods; 42 but when the flock was feeble, he did not put them in; so the feebler were for Laban's and the stronger for Ya'aqob's. **43** So the man increased very much, and he had large flocks and female servants and male servants and camels and donkeys.

Chapter 31

1 Now he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Ya'aqob has taken away all that was to our father's, and from what was to our father he has made all this wealth. 2 Ya'aqob saw the face of Laban, and behold, it was not toward him as before.

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3 Then **3**⁴**1**⁴**1**⁴ said to Ya'aqob, Return to the land of your fathers and to your relatives, and I shall be with you. 4 So Ya'aqob sent and called to Rachel and to Leah to the field to his flock, 5 and said to them, I see your father's face, that it is not toward me as formerly, but the El of my father has been with me. 6 You know that I have served your father with all my strength. **7** Yet your father has cheated me and changed my wages ten times; Elohim did not allow him to do evil to me. 8 If he spoke thus, The speckled shall be your wages, then all the flock brought forth speckled; and if he spoke thus, The striped shall be your wages, then all the flock brought forth striped. 9 Thus Elohim has taken away the livestock of your fathers and given them to me. 10 And it came about at the time when the flock were mating that I lifted up my eyes and saw in a dream, and behold, the rams which were leaping on the flock were striped, speckled, and mottled. 11 Then the messenger of the Eohim said to me in the dream, Ya'aqob, and I said, Behold, I am. 12 He said, Lift up now your eyes and see that all the rams which are leaping upon the flock are striped, speckled, and mottled; for I have seen all that Laban has been doing to you. **13** I am the El of Beyth'El, where you anointed there a pillar, where you vowed a vow to Me there; now arise, leave this land, and return to the land of your birth. 14 Rachel and Leah answered and said to him, Is there still a portion and an inheritance to us in our father's house? 15 Are we not reckoned by him as foreigners? For he has sold us, and has also entirely spent our money. 16 For all the wealth which Elohim has taken away from our father, it is for us and for our sons; now then, do whatever Elohim has said to you. 17 Then Ya'aqob arose and put his sons and his wives upon camels; **18** and he drove away all his livestock and all his property which he had gathered, his property of the livestock which he had gathered in Phaddan-Aram, to go to the land of Kanaan to his father Yitschaq. 19 When Laban had gone to shear his flock, then Rachel stole the house idols that were to her father's. 20 And Ya'aqob deceived the heart of Laban the Aramean because he did not tell him that he was to flee. **21** So he fled and all that was to him; and he arose and crossed the river, and set his face toward the hill country of Gilead. 22 When it was told to Laban on the third day that Ya'aqob had fled, 23 then he took his kinsmen with him and pursued after him a journey of seven days, and he overtook him in the hill country of Gilead. **24** Elohim came to Laban the Aramean in a dream of the night and said to him, Watch out for yourself, lest you speak with Ya'aqob from good to evil. 25 Laban overtook Ya'aqob. Now Ya'aqob had pitched his tent in the hill country, and Laban with his kinsmen had pitched in the hill country of Gilead. 26 Then Laban said to Ya'aqob, What have you done that you deceived my heart and carried away my

daughters like captives of the sword? **27** Why did you hide as to flee secretly and deceive me, and did not tell me so that I might have sent you away with joy and with songs, with timbrel and with lyre; 28 and did not allow me to kiss my sons and my daughters? Now you have been foolish to do. 29 It is in my power my hand to do you harm, but the El of vour father spoke to me last night, saving, Watch out for yourself lest you speak with Ya'aqob from good to evil. **30** Now you have indeed gone away because you longed greatly for your father's house; but why did you steal my mighty ones? 31 Then Ya'aqob spoke and said to Laban, Because I was afraid, for I said lest you would take your daughters from me by force. 32 The one with whom you find your mighty ones shall not live; in the presence of our brothers find for yourself what is with me and take it for yourself. For Ya'agob did not know that Rachel had stolen them. 33 So Laban went into Ya'aqob's tent and into Leah's tent and into the tent of the two maids, but he did not find them. Then he went out of Leah's tent and went into Rachel's tent. 34 Now Rachel had taken the house idols and put them in the camel's saddle, and she sat on them. And Laban felt around all the tent but did not find them. **35** She said to her father. Let no angry in the eyes of my master that I am not able to rise before your faces, for the manner of women is upon me. So he searched but did not find the house idols. 36 Then Ya'aqob became angry and contended with Laban; and Ya'aqob answered and said to Laban, What is my transgression? What is my sin that you have hotly pursued after me? 37 Though you have felt through all my goods, what have you found of all the goods of your house? Set it here before my kinsmen and your kinsmen, that they may decide between two of us. 38 Now the twenty years I have been with you; your ewes and your female goats have not miscarried, nor have I eaten the rams of your flocks. **39** I did not bring the mangled to you; I replaced from my hand you exacted it, that stolen by day or that stolen by night. 40 Thus I was: by day the heat consumed me and the cold by night, and my sleep fled from my eyes. 41 Now these twenty years I have been in your house; I served you fourteen years for your two daughters and six years for your flock, and you changed my wages ten times. 42 Unless the El of my father, the El of Abraham, and the fear of Yitschaq, had been for me, surely now you would have sent me away empty-handed. Elohim has seen my affliction and the toil of my hands, so He judged last night. 43 Then Laban spoke and said to Ya'aqob, The daughters are my daughters, and the sons are my sons, and the flocks are my flocks, and all that you see it is mine. But what can I do today to these my daughters or to their sons whom they have borne? 44 So now come, let us make a covenant, you and I, and let it be for a witness between you and me. **45** Then Ya'aqob took a stone and set it up as a pillar. 46 Ya'aqob said to his kinsmen, Gather stones. So they took stones and made a heap, and they ate there by the heap. 47 Now Laban called it Yegar-Sahadutha, but Ya'aqob called it Galeed. 48 Laban said, This heap is a witness between you and me today. Therefore he called its name Galeed, 49 and Mitspah, for he said, May **AMA** watch between me and you when we are absent each from his neighbor. 50 If you mistreat my daughters, or if you take wives besides my daughters, although no man is with us, see, Elohim is witness between you and me. **51** Laban said to Ya'aqob, Behold this heap and behold the pillar which I have set between you and me. 52 This heap is a witness, and the pillar is a witness. that I shall not pass over this heap to you, and that you shall not pass over this heap and this pillar to me, for harm. 53 The El of Abraham and the El of Nachor, the El of their father, judge between us. So Ya'aqob swore by the fear of his father Yitschaq. 54 Then Ya'aqob offered a sacrifice on the mountain, and called his kinsmen to eat the meal; and they ate the meal and spent the night on the mountain. 55 Early in the morning Laban arose, and kissed his sons and his daughters and blessed them. Then Laban departed and returned to his place.

Chapter 32

1 Now as Ya'aqob went on his way, the messengers of Elohim met him. 2 Ya'aqob said when he saw them, This is Elohim's camp. So he called the name that place Machanayim. **3** Then Ya'aqob sent messengers before him to his brother Esau in the land of Seir, the country of Edom. 4 He also commanded them saying, Thus you shall say to my master Esau: Thus says your servant Ya'aqob, I have sojourned with Laban, and stayed until now; 5 I have oxen and donkeys and flocks and male servants and female servants; and I have sent to tell my master, that I may find favor in your sight. 6 The messengers returned to Ya'aqob, saying, We came to your brother, to Esau, and furthermore he is coming to meet you, and four hundred men are with him. 7 Then Ya'aqob was greatly afraid and distressed; and he divided the people who were with him, and the flocks and the herds and the camels, into two companies; 8 for he said, If Esau comes to the one company and attacks it, Then it shall be the company which is left shall escape. 9 Ya'aqob said, O the El of my father Abraham and the El of my father Yits'chaq, O **AMAN**, who said to me, Return to your country and to your relatives, and I shall prosper you, **10** I am unworthy of all the lovingkindness and of all the faithfulness which You have shown to Your servant; for with my staff only I crossed this Yarden, and now I have become two companies. 11 Deliver me, I pray, from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau; for I fear him, lest he shall come and attack me and the mothers with the children. 12 For You said, I shall

surely prosper you and make your descendants as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude. 13 So he spent that night there. Then he selected from what came to his hand a present for his brother Esau: 14 two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, **15** thirty milking camels and their colts, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty female donkeys and ten male donkeys. **16** He delivered them into the hand of his servants, every drove by itself, and said to his servants, Pass on before me, and put a space between droves. 17 He commanded the one in front, saying, When my brother Esau meets you and asks you, saying, To whom do you belong, and where are you going, and whose do these before your faces? **18** then you shall say, These belong to your servant Ya'aqob; it is a present sent to my master Esau. And behold, he also is behind us. 19 Then he commanded also the second and also the third, and all those who followed after the droves, saying, After this manner you shall speak to Esau when you find him; **20** and you shall say, Behold, your servant Ya'aqob also is behind us. For he said, I shall cover his face by the present that goes before me. Then afterward I shall see his face; perhaps he shall accept my face. 21 So the present passed on before him, while he spent that night in the camp. **22** Now he arose that same night and took his two wives and his two maids and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Yabboq. 23 He took them and sent them across the stream. And he sent across whatever he had. 24 Then Ya'aqob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until dawn. 25 When he saw that he had not prevailed against him, he touched the socket of his thigh; so the socket of Ya'aqob's thigh was dislocated while he wrestled with him. 26 Then he said, Let me go, for the dawn is breaking. But he said, I shall not let you go unless you bless me. 27 So he said to him, What is your name? And he said, Ya'aqob. 28 He said, Your name shall be called no longer Ya'aqob, but Yisra'El; for you have striven with Elohim and with men and have prevailed. 29 Then Ya'aqob asked him and said, Please tell me your name.But he said, Why is it that you ask my name? And he blessed him there. **30** So Ya'aqob called the name of the place Peni'El, for he said, I have seen Elohim face to face, yet my life has been preserved. 31 Now the sun rose upon him as he crossed over Penu'El, and he was limping on his thigh. 32 Therefore, to this day the sons of Yisra'El do not eat the sinew of the hip which is on the socket of the thigh, because he touched the socket of Ya'aqob's thigh in the sinew of the hip.

Chapter 33

1 Then Ya'aqob lifted his eyes and looked, and behold, Esau was coming, and four hundred men with him. So he divided the children among Leah and among Rachel and among the two maids. **2** He put the maids and their children in front, and Leah

and her children next, and Rachel and Yoseph last. 3 But he himself passed on ahead of them and bowed down to the ground seven times, until he came near to his brother. 4 Then Esau ran to meet him and embraced him, and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept. 5 He lifted his eyes and saw the women and the children, and said, Who are these with vou? So he said. The children whom Elohim has favored your servant. 6 Then the maids came near with their children, and they bowed down. 7 Leah likewise came near with her children, and they bowed down; and afterward Yoseph came near with Rachel, and they bowed down. 8 And he said, What do you mean by all this company which I have met? And he said, To find favor in the sight of my master. 9 But Esau said, I have plenty, my brother; let what you have be your own. **10** Ya'aqob said, No, please, if now I have found favor in your sight, then take my present from my hand, for therefore I see your face as one sees the face of Elohim, and you have received me favorably. 11 Please take my gift which has been brought to you, because Elohim has favored me, and because I have plenty. Thus he urged him and he took it. 12 Then Esau said, Let us take our journey and go, and I shall go before you. **13** But he said to him, My master knows that the children are frail and that the flocks and herds with me are sucking. And if they are driven hard one day, all the flocks shall die. **14** Please let my master pass on before his servant, and I shall proceed at my leisure, according to the pace of the cattle that are before me and according to the pace of the children, until I come to my master at Seir. 15 Esau said, Please let me leave with you some of the people who are with me. But he said, What need is there? Let me find favor in the sight of my master. 16 So Esau returned that day on his way to Seir. 17 Ya'aqob journeyed to Sukkoth, and built for himself a house and made booths for his livestock; therefore he calls the name of the place Sukkoth. 18 Now Ya'aqob came safely to the city of Shekem, which is in the land of Kanaan, when he came from Paddan-Aram, and camped before the city. **19** He bought the piece of land where he had pitched his tent there from the hand of the sons of Chamor, Shekem's father, for one hundred pieces of money. 20 Then he erected there an altar and called it El the El of Yisra'El.

Chapter 34

1 Now Dinah the daughter of Leah, whom she had borne to Ya'aqob, went out to visit the daughters of the land. 2 When Shekem the son of Chamor the Chiuite, the prince of the land, saw her, he took her and lay with her by force. 3 He was deeply attracted to Dinah the daughter of Ya'aqob, and he loved the damsel and spoke to the heart of the damsel. 4 So Shekem spoke to his father Chamor, saying, Get me this young girl for a wife. 5 Now Ya'aqob heard that he had defiled Dinah his

daughter; but his sons were with his livestock in the field, so Ya'aqob kept silent until they came in. 6 Then Chamor the father of Shekem went out to **7** Now the sons of Ya'aqob to speak with him. Ya'aqob came in from the field when they heard it; and the men were grieved, and they were very angry because he had done a disgraceful thing in Yisra'El, to lie with Ya'agob's daughter, and so it should not be done. 8 But Chamor spoke with them, saying, Shekem, my son, his soul longs for your daughter; please give her to him to wife. 9 Intermarry with give your daughters to us and take our us: daughters for yourselves. 10 Thus you shall live with us, and the land shall be open before you; live and trade in it and acquire property in it. 11 Shekem also said to her father and to her brothers. If I find favor in your sight, then I shall give whatever you say to me. **12** Ask me ever so much bridal payment and gift, and I shall give according as you say to me; but give me the damsel in marriage. 13 But Ya'aqob's sons answered Shekem and his father Chamor with deceit, And they are speaking which he had defiled Dinah their 14 They said to them, We are not able to sister. do this thing, to give our sister to one who is uncircumcised, for it is a disgrace to us. 15 Only on this condition shall we consent to you: if you shall become like us, in that every male of you be circumcised, **16** then we shall give our daughters to you, and we shall take your daughters for ourselves, and we shall live with you and become one people. **17** But if you shall not listen to us to be circumcised, then we shall take our daughter and go. 18 Now their words seemed reasonable in the eyes of Chamor and in the eyes of Shekem, Chamor's son. **19** The young man did not delay to do the thing, because he was delighted with Ya'aqob's daughter. Now he was more respected than all the house of his father. 20 So Chamor and his son Shekem came to the gate of their city and spoke to the men of their city, saying, 21 These men, they, are friendly with us; therefore let them live in the land and trade in it. for behold, the land is large enough for them. Let us take their daughters in marriage, and give our daughters to them. 22 Only on this condition shall the men consent to us to live with us, to become one people: that every male among us be circumcised as they are circumcised. 23 Shall not their livestock and their property and all their animals, they, be ours? Only let us consent to them, and they shall live with us. 24 All who went out of the gate of his city listened to Chamor and to his son Shekem, and every male was circumcised, all who went out of the gate of his city. 25 Now it came about on the third day, when they were pained, that two of Ya'aqob's sons, Shimeon and Lewi, Dinah's brothers, each took his sword and came upon the city unawares, and killed every male. 26 They killed Chamor and his son Shekem with the edge of the sword, and took Dinah

from Shekem's house, and went forth. 27 Ya'aqob's sons came upon the slain and looted the city, because they had defiled their sister. **28** They took their flocks and their herds and their donkeys, and that which was in the city and that which was in the field; **29** and they captured and looted all their wealth and all their little ones and their wives, even all that was in the houses. **30** Then Ya'agob said to Shimeon and to Lewi, You have brought trouble on me by making me odious among the inhabitants of the land, among the Kanaanites and the Perizzites; and I being a few in number, they shall gather together against me and attack me and I shall be destroyed, I and my house. 31 But they said, Should he treat our sister as a harlot?

Chapter 35

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1 Then Elohim said to Ya'aqob, Arise, go up to Beyth'El and live there, and make an altar there to El, who appeared to you when you fled from the face of your brother Esau. 2 So Ya'aqob said to his house and to all who were with him, Put away the foreign mighty ones which are among you, and purify yourselves and change your garments; 3 and let us arise and go up to Beyth'El, and I shall make an altar there to the El, who answered me in the day of my distress and has been with me in the way in which I have gone. **4** So they gave to Ya'aqob all the foreign mighty ones which were in their hand and the rings which were in their ears, and Ya'aqob hid them under the oak which was with Shekem. 5 As they journeyed, there was a great terror of Elohim upon the cities which were around them, and they did not pursue after the sons of Ya'aqob. 6 So Ya'aqob came to Luz that is, Beyth'El, which is in the land of Kanaan, he and all the people who were with him. 7 He built an altar there, and called the place El Beyth'El, because there the Elohim had revealed Himself to him when he fled from the face of his brother. 8 Now Deborah, Ribqah's nurse, died, and she was buried below Beyth'El under the oak; it was called its name Allon-bakuth. 9 Then Elohim appeared to Ya'aqob again when he came from Paddan-Aram, and He blessed him. 10 Elohim said to him, Your name is Ya'aqob; Your name shall no longer be called Ya'aqob, but Yisra'El shall be your name. Thus He called his name Yisra'El. 11 Elohim also said to him, I am El Shadday; Be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall come from you, and kings shall come forth from your loins. 12 The land which I gave to Abraham and to Yitschaq, I shall give it to you, and I shall give the land to your descendants after you. 13 Then Elohim went up from him in the place where He had spoken with him. **14** Ya'aqob set up a pillar in the place where He had spoken with him, a pillar of stone, and he poured out a drink offering on it; he also poured oil on it. 15 So Ya'aqob called the name of the place where Elohim had spoken with him there, Beyth'El.

16 Then they journeyed from Beyth'El; and when there was still some distance of the land to go to Ephrath, Rachel began to give birth and she suffered in her severe labor. 17 When she was in her severe labor bearing, the midwife said to her, Do not fear, for now you have another son. 18 It came about as her soul was departing for she died, that she called his name Ben-oni; but his father called him Benyamin. 19 So Rachel died and was buried on the way to Ephrath (that is, Beyth lachem). 20 Ya'aqob set up a pillar over her grave; that is the pillar of Rachel's grave to today. 21 Then Yisra'El journeyed on and pitched his tent beyond the tower of Eder. 22 It came about while Yisra'El was dwelling in that land, that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine, and Yisra'El heard of it. Now there were twelve sons of Ya'aqob – 23 the sons of Leah: Reuben, Ya'aqob's firstborn, then Shimeon and Lewi and Yahudah and Yissashkar and Zebulun; 24 the sons of Rachel: Yoseph and Benyamin; 25 and the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's maid: Dan and Naphtali; 26 and the sons of Zilpah, Leah's maid: Gad and Asher. These are the sons of Ya'aqob who were born to him in Phaddan-Aram. 27 Ya'aqob came to his father Yitschaq at Mamre of Qiryath-Arba (that is, Chebron), where Abraham and Yitschaq had sojourned there. **28** Now the days of Yitschaq 29 Yitschaq were one hundred and eighty years. breathed his last and died and was gathered to his people, an old man of ripe age; and his sons Esau and Ya'agob buried him.

Chapter 36

1 Now these are the generations of Esau that is, Edom. 2 Esau took his wives from the daughters of Kanaan: Adah the daughter of Eylon the Chittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Tsibeon the Chiuite; **3** also Basemath, Yishma'El's daughter, the sister of Nebayoth. 4 Adah bore Eliphaz to Esau, and Basemath bore Reu'El, 5 and Aholibamah bore Yeush and Yalam and Qorach. These are the sons of Esau who were born to him in the land of Kanaan. 6 Then Esau took his wives and his sons and his daughters and all the souls of his house, and his livestock and all his cattle and all his goods which he had acquired in the land of Canaan, and went to a land away from the face of his brother Ya'aqob. **7** For their property had become too great for them to live together, and the land where they sojourned was not able to bear them because of the multitude of their 8 So Esau lived in the hill country of livestock. Seir; Esau, he is Edom. 9 These then are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in the hill country of Seir. **10** These are the names of Esau's sons: Eliphaz the son of Esau's wife Adah, Reu'El the son of Esau's wife Basemath. 11 The sons of Eliphaz were Teyman, Omar, Tsepho and Gatam and Qenaz. 12 Thimna was a concubine

of Esau's son Eliphaz and she bore Amaleq to Eliphaz. These are the sons of Esau's wife Adah. 13 These are the sons of Reu'El: Nachath and Zerach, Shammah and Mizzah. These were the sons of Esau's wife Basemath. **14** These were the sons of Esau's wife Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah and the daughter of Tsibeon: she bore to Esau, Yeush and Yalam and Oorach. 15 These are the chiefs of the sons of Esau. The sons of Eliphaz, the firstborn of Esau, are chief Teyman, chief Omar, chief Tsepho, chief Qenaz, 16 chief Qorach, chief Gatam, chief Amaleq. These were the chiefs of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Adah. 17 These are the sons of Reu'El, Esau's son: chief Nachath, chief Zerach, chief Shammah, chief Mizzah. These are the chiefs of Reu'El in the land of Edom; these are the sons of Esau's wife Basemath. 18 These are the sons of Esau's wife Aholibamah: chief Yeush, chief Yalam, chief Qorach. These are the chiefs of Esau's wife Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah. **19** These are the sons of Esau that is, Edom, and these are their chiefs. 20 These are the sons of Seir the Chorite, the inhabitants of the land: Lotan and Shobal and Tsibeon and Anah, 21 and Dishon and Etser and Dishan. These are the chiefs of the Chorites, the sons of Seir in the land of Edom. 22 The sons of Lotan were Chori and Heymam; and Lotan's sister was Timna. 23 These are the sons of Shobal: Alwan and Manachath and Eybal, Shepho and Onam. 24 These are the sons of Tsibeon: Ayah and Anah he is the Anah who found the hot springs in the wilderness when he was pasturing the donkeys of his father Tsibeon. **25** These are the sons of Anah: Dishon, and Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah. 26 These are the sons of Dishon: Chemdan and Eshban and Yithran and Keran. 27 These are the sons of Etser: Bilhan and Zaawan and Aqan. 28 These are the sons of Dishan: Uts and Aran. 29 These are the chiefs of the Chorites: chief Lotan, chief Shobal, chief Tsibeon, chief Anah, 30 chief Dishon, chief Etser, chief Dishan. These are the chiefs of the Chorites, according to their chiefs in the land of Seir. **31** Now these are the kings who reigned in the land of Edom before the reigning of a king over the sons of Yisra'El. 32 Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom, and the name of his city was Dinhabah. 33 Then Bela died, and Yobab the son of Zerach of Botsrah became king in his place. 34 Then Yobab died, and Chusham of the land of the Teymanites became king in his place. 35 Then Chusham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who defeated Midyanin the field of Moab, became king in his place; and the name of his city was Awith. 36 Then Hadad died, and Samlah of Masreqah became king in his place. 37 Then Samlah died, and Shaul of Rechoboth on the Euphrates river became king in his place. 38 Then Shaul died, and Baal-Chanan the son of Akbor became king in his place. 39 Then Baal-Chanan the son of Akbor died, and

Hadar became king in his place; and the name of his city was Pau; and his wife's name was Meheytab'El, the daughter of Matred, daughter of Meyzahab. **40** Now these are the names of the chiefs of Esau, according to their families and to their localities, by their names: chief Timna, chief Alwah, chief Yetheth, **41** chief Aholibamah, chief Elah, chief Pinon, **42** chief Qenaz, chief Teyman, chief Mibtsar, **43** chief Magdi'El, chief Iram. These are the chiefs of Edom (that is, Esau, the father of the Edomites), according to their habitations in the land of their possession.

Chapter 37

1 Now Ya'aqob lived in the land where his father had sojourned, in the land of Kanaan. 2 These are the generations of Ya'aqob. Yoseph, a son of seventeen years, was pasturing the flock with his brothers while he was still a youth, along with the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives. And Yoseph brought back a bad report about them to their father. 3 Now Yisra'El loved Yoseph more than all his sons, because he was the son of old age to him; and he made him a varicolored tunic. 4 His brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers; and so they hated him and they were not able to speak peaceably. 5 Then Yoseph dreamed a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they continue to hate him even more. 6 He said to them, Please listen to this dream which I have had; 7 for behold, we were binding sheaves in the midst of the field, and lo, my sheaf rose up and also stood erect; and behold, your sheaves gathered around and bowed down to my sheaf. 8 Then his brothers said to him, Are you actually going to reign over us? Or are you really going to rule over us? So they continued to hate him even more for his dreams and for his words. 9 Now he had still another dream, and related it to his brothers, and said, Lo, I have had still another dream; and behold, the sun and the moon and eleven stars were bowing down to me. 10 He related it to his father and to his brothers; and his father rebuked him and said to him, What is this dream that you have had? Shall I and your mother and your brothers actually come to bow ourselves down before you to the ground? **11** His brothers were jealous of him, but his father treasured up the word. **12** Then his brothers went to pasture their father's flock in Shekem. 13 Yisra'El said to Yoseph, Are not your brothers tending in Shekem? Come, and I shall send you to them. And he said to him, Here I am. 14 Then he said to him, Go now and see about the welfare of your brothers and the welfare of the flock, and bring word back to me. So he sent him from the valley of Chebron, and he came to Shekem. 15 A man found him, and behold, he was wandering in the field; and the man asked him, saying, What are you looking for? **16** He said, I am looking for my brothers; please tell me where they are pasturing the flock. **17** Then the man said,

They have moved from here; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. So Yoseph went after his brothers and found them at Dothan. **18** When they saw him from a distance and before he came close to them, they plotted against him, to kill him. 19 They said to one another. Here comes this master of 20 Now then, come and let us kill him dreams! and throw him into one of the pits; and we shall say, An evil beast devoured him. Then let us see what shall become of his dreams! 21 But Reuben heard and rescued him out of their hands and said, Let us not take his life. 22 Reuben said to them, Shed no Throw him into this pit that is in the blood. wilderness, but do not lay hands on him; that he might rescue him out of their hands, to restore him to his father. **23** So it came about, when Yoseph came to his brothers, that they stripped Yoseph of his tunic, the varicolored tunic that was on him; 24 and they took him and threw him into the pit. Now the pit was empty, no water in it. **25** Then they sat down to eat bread. And as they raised their eyes and looked, behold, a caravan of Yishmaelites was coming from Gilead, with their camels bearing aromatic gum and balm and myrrh, going to take them down to Mitsrayim. **26** Yahudah said to his brothers, What gain, that we kill our brother and cover up his blood? 27 Come and let us sell him to the Yishmaelites and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh. And his brothers listened. 28 Then some of men, Midyanim traders, passed by, so they pulled him up and lifted Yoseph out of the pit, and sold Yoseph to the Yishmaelites for twenty shekels of silver. Thus they brought Yoseph into Mitsrayim. .29 Now Reuben returned to the pit, and behold, Yoseph was not in the pit; so he tore his garments. **30** He returned to his brothers and said, The boy is not there; as for me, where am I to go? **31** So they took Yoseph's tunic, and slaughtered a ram of goats and dipped the tunic in the blood; **32** and they sent the varicolored tunic and brought it to their father and said, We found this; look, now is it your son's tunic or not? **33** Then he examined it and said, It is my son's tunic. A wild beast has devoured him; Yoseph has surely been torn to 34 So Ya'aqob tore his clothes, and put pieces! sackcloth on his loins and mourned for his son many days. 35 Then all his sons and all his daughters arose to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted. And he said, Surely I shall go down to Sheol in mourning for my son. So his father wept for him. 36 And the Medanim sold him in Mitsravim to Potiphar, Pharaoh's officer, the captain of the bodyguard.

Chapter 38

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and went in to her. 3 So she conceived and bore a son and he called his name Er. 4 Then she conceived again and bore a son and called his name 5 She continued still and bore a son and Onan. called his name Shelah; and it was at Kezib that she bore him. 6 Now Yahudah took a wife for Er his firstborn, and her name was Tamar. 7 But Er. Yahudah's firstborn, was evil in the sight of **4111**, so **4111** killed him. **8** Then Yahudah said to Onan, Go to your brother's wife, and make a brother-in-law's marriage with her, and raise up offspring for your brother. 9 Onan knew that the offspring would not be his; it was when he went in to his brother's wife, he wasted his seed on the ground in order not to give offspring to his brother. **10** But what he did was evil in the sight of 3 **4 4 1 1**; so He killed him also. **11** Then Yahudah said to his daughter-in-law Thamar, Remain a widow in your father's house until my son Shelah grows up; for he said, Lest he too may die like his brothers. So Tamar went and lived in her father's house. **12** Now the days were increasing Shua's daughter, the wife of Yahudah, died; and when the time of mourning was ended, Yahudah went up to his sheepshearers at Timnah, he and his friend Chirah the Adullamite. **13** It was told to Thamar, saying, Behold, your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep. **14** So she removed her widow's garments and covered herself with a veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in the gateway of Eynayim, which is on the road to Timnah; for she saw that Shelah had grown up, and she had not been given to him as a wife. **15** When Yahudah saw her, he took her for a harlot, for she had covered her face. 16 So he turned aside to her by the road, and said, Here now, let me come in to you; for he did not know that she was his daughter-in-law. And she said, What shall you give me, that you may come in to me? 17 He said, I shall send you a young goat from the flock. She said, Shall you give a pledge until you send it? 18 He said, What is a pledge which I shall give you? And she said, Your seal and your cord, and your staff that is in your hand. So he gave them to her and went in to her, and she conceived by him. **19** Then she arose and departed, and removed her veil from her and put on her widow's garments. 20 When Yahudah sent the young goat by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive the pledge from the woman's hand, he did not find her. **21** He asked the men of her place, saying, Where is that temple prostitute who was by the road at Eynayim. But they said, There has been no temple prostitute here. 22 So he returned to Yahudah, and said, I did not find her; and also, the men of the place said, There has been no temple prostitute here. 23 Then Yahudah said, Let her keep them, otherwise we shall become a laughingstock. See, I sent this young goat, but you did not find her. 24 Now it was after three months, it was told to Yahudah, saying, Your daughter-in-

law Tamar has played the harlot, and behold, she is also with child by harlotry. Then Yahudah said, Bring her out and let her be burned! 25 She was being brought out that she sent to her father-in-law, saying, I am with child by the man to whom these things belong to him. And she said, Please examine and see, whose signet ring and cords and staff are these? 26 Yahudah recognized them, and said, She is more righteous than I, inasmuch as I did not give her to my son Shelah. And he did not have relations with her again. **27** It came about at the time she was giving birth, that behold, there were twins in her womb. 28 Moreover, it took place while she was giving birth, one put out a hand, and the midwife took and tied a scarlet thread on his hand, saying, This one came out first. 29 But it came about as he drew back his hand, that behold, his brother came out. Then she said, What a breach you have made for yourself! So he was called his name Parets. 30 Afterward his brother came out who had the scarlet thread on his hand; and his name was called Zarach.

Chapter 39

1 Now Yoseph had been taken down to Mitsrayim; and Potiphar, an Mitsrite man, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the bodyguard, bought him from the hand of the Yishmaelites, who had taken him down there. 2 3131 was with Yoseph, so he became a successful man. And he was in the house of his master, the Mitsrite. 3 Now his master saw that 3434 was with him and 3434 was prospering everthing which he did in his hand. 4 So Yoseph found favor in his sight and served him; and he appointed him over his house, and all that was to him he gave into his hand. 5 It came about that from the time he made him overseer in his house and over all that he owned, 3131 blessed the Mitsrite's house on account of Yoseph; thus the blessing of **191** was upon all that he owned, in the house and in the field. 6 So he left everything that he had in the hand of Yoseph; and with him there he did not know anything except the food which he ate. Now Yoseph was beautiful in form and beautiful in appearance. 7 It came about after these events that his master's wife looked up her eyes to Yoseph, and she said, Lie with me. 8 But he refused and said to his master's wife, Behold, my master does not know what is in the house with me, and all that he owns he has put into my hand. 9 There is no one greater in this house than I, and he has not withheld anything from me except you, because you are his wife. How then could I do this great evil and sin against Elohim? 10 And it came to pass as she spoke to Yoseph day after day, he did not listen to her to lie beside her or to be with her. **11** And it came to pass on this day that he went into the house to do his work, and no one of the men of the house was there in the house. **12** She caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me! And he left his garment in her hand and fled, and went

outside. 13 And it came to pass when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand and had fled outside, 14 she called to the men of her house and said to them, saying, See, he has brought in an Ibri (Hebrew) man to us to make sport of us; he came in to me to lie with me, and I cried with a great voice. **15** And it came to pass when he heard that I raised my voice and cried, he left his garment beside me 16 So she left his and fled and went outside. garment beside her until his master came to his house. 17 Then she spoke to him with these words, saying, The Ibri servant, whom you brought to us, came in to me to make sport of me; **18** and it came to pass as I raised my voice and cried, he left his garment beside me and fled outside. 19 And it came to pass when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spoke to him, saying, After this manner your servant did to me, that his anger was kindled. 20 So Yoseph's master took him and put him into the prison house, the place where the king's prisoners were confined; and he was there in the prison house. 21 But 3131 was with Yoseph and extended kindness to him, and gave him favor in the eyes of the warden of prison house. **22** The warden of the prison house gave into the hands of Yoseph all the prisoners who were in the prison house; and all which they were doing there, he was doing. **23** The warden of prison house did not supervise anything under his handsbecause 1111 was with him; and 1111 was prospering what he was doing.

Chapter 40

1 Then it came about after these things, the cupbearer of the king of Mitsrayimand the baker sinned against their master, against the king of Mitsrayim. 2 Pharaoh was angry against his two officials, against the chief cupbearer and against the chief baker. **3** So he put them in confinement in the house of the captain of the bodyguard, in the prison house, the place where Yoseph was imprisoned there. 4 The captain of the bodyguard appointed Yoseph with them, and he took care of them; and they were in custody for many days. 5 And they dreamed a dream, both of them, each his dream in one night, each according to the interpretation of his dream: the cupbearer and the baker who belonged to the king of Mitsrayim, who were confined in prison house. 6 When Yoseph came to them in the morning and observed them, behold, they were dejected. **7** He asked Pharaoh's officials who were with him in confinement in his master's house, saying, Why are your faces so sad today? 8 Then they said to him, We have dreamed a dream and there is no interpreter of it. Then Yoseph said to them, Do not interpretations belong to Elohim? Now tell it to me. 9 So the chief cupbearer told his dream to Yoseph, and said to him, In my dream, behold, there was a vine in front **10** and on the vine were three branches. of me: And it, at its budding, its blossoms came out, and its

clusters produced ripe grapes. **11** Now Pharaoh's cup was in my hand; so I took the grapes and squeezed them into Pharaoh's cup, and I put the cup into Pharaoh's hand. 12 Then Yoseph said to him, This is its interpretation: the three branches they are three days; 13 within three more days Pharaoh shall lift up your head and restore you to your office; and you shall put Pharaoh's cup into his hand according to your former custom when you were his cupbearer. 14 But remember with yourself when it goes well with you, and please do with me a kindness by mentioning me to Pharaoh and get me **15** For I was in fact kidnapped out of this house. from the land of the Ibrim (Hebrews), and even here I have done nothing that they should have put me into the dungeon. **16** When the chief baker saw that he had interpreted favorably, he said to Yoseph, I also was in my dream, and behold, there were three baskets of hot food on my head; 17 and in the top basket there were some of all the food for Pharaoh, the work of a baker; and the birds were eating them out of the basket on my head. **18** Then Yoseph answered and said, This is its interpretation: the three baskets they are three days; **19** within three more days Pharaoh shall lift up your head from you and shall hang you on a tree, and the birds shall eat your flesh off from you. **20** Thus it came about on the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast for all his servants; and he lifted up the head of the chief cupbearer and the head of the chief baker in the midst of his servants. 21 He restored the chief cupbearer to his office, and he put the cup into Pharaoh's hand: **22** but he hanged the chief baker, just as Yoseph had interpreted to them. 23 Yet the chief cupbearer did not remember Yoseph, but forgot him.

Chapter 41

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (11th sidrah) Genesis 41 46:1) 1 Now it happened at the end of two years of days that Pharaoh was dreaming, and behold, he was standing by the Nile river. 2 And lo, from the Nile river there came up seven cows, good to the appearance and choice in the flesh; and they grazed in the marsh grass. **3** Then behold, seven other cows came up after them from the Nile river, evil in appearance and thin in the flesh, and they stood by the other cows on the bank of the Nile river. **4** The cows, evil in appearance and thin in the flesh, ate up the seven cows, good in appearance and choice. Then Pharaoh awoke. 5 He fell asleep and dreamed a second time; and behold, seven ears of grain came up on a single stalk, plump and good. 6 Then behold, seven ears, thin and scorched by the east wind, sprouted up after them. 7 The thin ears swallowed up the seven plump and full ears. Then Pharaoh awoke, and behold, it was a dream. 8 And it came to pass in the morning his spirit was troubled, so he sent and called for all the magicians of Mitsrayim, and all its wise men. And Pharaoh told them his dreams, but there was no interpreter of

them to Pharaoh. 9 Then the chief cupbearer spoke to Pharaoh, saying, I mention of my sin today. 10 Pharaoh was furious with his servants, and he put me in confinement in the house of the captain of the bodyguard, both me and the chief baker. **11** We dreamed a dream on the same night, he and I; we each dreamed according to the interpretation of his own dream. 12 Now an Ibri youth was with us there, a servant of the captain of the bodyguard, and we related them to him, and he interpreted our dreams for us. To each one he interpreted according to his own dream. 13 And it came to pass as he interpreted for us, so it happened; he restored me in my office, but he hanged him. 14 Then Pharaoh sent and called for Yoseph, and they made him hasten from the dungeon; and when he had shaved himself and changed his clothes, he came to Pharaoh. 15 Pharaoh said to Yoseph, I have dreamed a dream, but no one can interpret it; and I have heard it said about you, that when you hear a dream to interpret it. 16 Yoseph then answered Pharaoh, saying, Not I; Elohim shall answer a welfare of Pharaoh. 17 So Pharaoh spoke to Yoseph, In my dream, behold, I was standing on the bank of the Nile river; **18** and behold, seven cows, choice in the flesh and good in shape came up out of the Nile river, and they grazed in the marsh grass. **19** Lo, seven other cows came up after them, poor and very ill flavored and thin in the flesh, such as I had never seen for ugliness in all the land of Mitsrayim; 20 and the thin and evil cows ate up the first seven choice cows. **21** Yet when they had entered into their bellies, it could not be known that they had entered into their bellies, for their appearance was evil as before. Then I awoke. 22 I saw also in my dream, and behold, seven ears, full and good, came up on a single stalk; **23** and lo, seven ears, withered, thin, and scorched by the east wind, sprouted up after them; 24 and the thin ears swallowed the seven good ears. Then I told it to the magicians, but there was no one who could explain it to me. 25 Now Yoseph said to Pharaoh, Pharaoh's dreams are one and the same; Elohim has told to Pharaoh what He is about to do. 26 The seven good cows, they are seven years; and the seven good ears, they are seven years; the dreams are one and the same. 27 The seven thin and evil cows that came up after them they are seven years, and the seven thin ears scorched by the east wind shall be seven years of famine. 28 This is the word is as I have spoken to Pharaoh: Elohim has shown to Pharaoh what He does. 29 Behold, seven years of great abundance are coming in all the land of Mitsrayim; 30 and after them seven years of famine shall come, and all the abundance shall be forgotten in the land of Mitsrayim, and the famine shall ravage the land. 31 So the abundance shall be not known in the land because of that subsequent famine; for it shall be very severe. 32 Now as for the repeating of the dream to Pharaoh twice, it

means that the matter is determined by the Elohim, and the Elohim is hastening to do it. 33 Now let Pharaoh look for a man discerning and wise, and set him over the land of Mitsrayim. 34 Let Pharaoh act, and let him appoint overseers in charge of the land, and let him exact a fifth of the produce of the land of Mitsrayim in the seven years of abundance. 35 Then let them gather all the food of these good years that are coming, and store up the grain for food in the cities under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them guard it. 36 Let the food become as a reserve for the land for the seven years of famine which shall occur in the land of Mitsrayim, so that the land shall not perish during the famine. 37 Now the word was good in the eyes of Pharaoh and in the eyes of all his servants. 38 Then Pharaoh said to his servants, Can we find a man like this, in whom has a Spirit of Elohim? **39** So Pharaoh said to Yoseph. Since Elohim has informed you of all this, there is none intelligent and wise like you. 40 You shall be over my house, and according to your mouth all my people shall be ruled; only in the throne I shall be greater than you. 41 Pharaoh said to Yoseph, See, I have set you over all the land of Mitsrayim. 42 Then Pharaoh took off his signet ring from his hand and put it on Yoseph's hand, and clothed him in garments of fine linen and put the gold necklace around his neck. 43 He had him ride in a chariot which was the second to him; and they proclaimed before him, Bow the knee! And he set him over all the land of Mitsrayim. 44 And Pharaoh said to Yoseph, I am Pharaoh, without a word from you not a man shall raise his hand or his foot in all the land of Mitsrayim. 45 Then Pharaoh called the name Yoseph Tsaphenath-paneach; and he gave him Asenath, the daughter of Potiphera priest of On, as his wife. And Yoseph went forth over the land of Mitsrayim. 46 Now Yoseph was the son being thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh, king of Mitsrayim. And Yoseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh and went through all the land of Mitsrayim. 47 During the seven years of plenty the land brought forth abundantly. 48 So he gathered all the food of these seven years which were in the land of Mitsrayim, and he put the food in the cities; the food of the field of the city which was around it, he put in the middle of it. 49 Thus Yoseph stored up grain in great abundance like the sand of the sea, until he ceased to count it, for it was without number. 50 Now before the year of famine came, two sons were born to Yoseph, whom Asenath, the daughter of Potiphera priest of On, bore to him. 51 Yoseph called the name of the firstborn Manasseh, for Elohim has made me forget all my trouble and all my father's house. 52 He called the name of the second Ephrayim, for, he said, Elohim has made me fruitful in the land of my affliction. **53** When the seven years of plenty which had been in the land of Mitsrayim were ended, 54 and the seven years of famine began to

come, just as Yoseph had said, then there was famine in all the lands, but in all the land of Mitsrayim there was bread. **55** So when all the land of Mitsrayim was famished, the people cried out to Pharaoh for bread; and Pharaoh said to all the Mitsrites, Go to Yoseph; whatever he says to you, you shall do. **56** When the famine was on all the face of the earth, then Yoseph opened all the storehouses in it, and sold to Mitsrayim; and the famine was severe in the land of Mitsrayim. **57** And all the earth came to Mitsrayim to buy from Yoseph, because the famine was severe in all the earth.

Chapter 42

1 Now Ya'aqob saw that there was grain in Mitsrayim, and Ya'agob said to his sons, Why do you look at each another? 2 He said, Behold, I have heard that there is grain in Mitsrayim; go down thereand buy some for us from there, so that we may live and not die. 3 Then ten brothers of Yoseph went down to buy grain from Mitsravim. 4 But Ya'aqob did not send Yoseph's brother Benyamin with his brothers, for he said, Lest harm happen to him. 5 So the sons of Yisra'El came to buy among those who were coming, for the famine was in the land of Canaan. 6 Now Yoseph was the ruler over the land; he was the one who sold to all the people of the land. And Yoseph's brothers came and bowed down to him with their faces to the ground. 7 When Yoseph saw his brothers he recognized them, but he disguised himself to them and spoke to them harshly. And he said to them, Where have you come from? And they said, From the land of Kanaan, to buy food. 8 But Yoseph had recognized his brothers, but they did not recognize him. 9 Yoseph remembered the dreams which he had about them, and said to them, You are spies; you have come to look at the bareness of our land. **10** Then they said to him, No, my master, but your servants have come to buy food. 11 We are all sons of one man; we are honest men, your servants are not spies. 12 Yet he said to them, No, but you have come to look at the bareness of our land! 13 But they said, Your servants are twelve brothers, the sons of one man in the land of Kanaan; and behold, the youngest is with our father today, and one is not. **14** Yoseph said to them, This is that I have spoken to you, saving, you are spies: **15** by this you shall be tested: by the life of Pharaoh, you shall not go from this place unless your youngest brother comes here! **16** Send one of you that he may get your brother, while you remain confined, that your words may be tested, whether there is truth in you. But if not, by the life of Pharaoh, surely you are spies. 17 So he put them in prison for three days. 18 Now Yoseph said to them on the third day, Do this and live, for I fear the Elohim: 19 if you are honest, let one of your brothers be confined in the house of your prison; and you go carry grain for the famine of

your houses, 20 and bring your youngest brother to me, so your words may be verified, and you shall not die. And they did so. 21 Then they said to one another, Truly we are guilty concerning our brother, because we saw the distress of his soul when he pleaded with us, yet we would not listen; therefore this distress has come upon us. 22 Reuben answered them, saving, Did I not tell vou, saving, Do not sin against the boy; and you would not Therefore, behold, also his blood is listen? 23 They did not know that Yoseph required. understood, for there was an interpreter between them. 24 He turned away from them and wept. But when he returned to them and spoke to them, he took Shimeon from them and bound him before their eyes. 25 Then Yoseph commanded to fill their bags with grain and to return their money each into his sack, and to give them provisions for the journey. And thus it was done for them. 26 So they loaded their grain on their donkeys and departed from there. 27 And one opened his sack to give his donkey fodder at the lodging place, he saw his money; and behold, it was in the mouth of his sack. 28 Then he said to his brothers, My money has been returned, and behold, it is even in my sack. And their hearts sank, and they turned trembling to one another, saying, What is this that Elohim has done to us? 29 When they came to their father Ya'agob in the land of Kanaan, they told him all that had happened to them, saying, 30 The man, the master of the land, spoke harshly with us, and took us for spies of the country. 31 But we said to him, We are honest; we are not spies. 32 We are twelve brothers, sons of our father; one is not, and the youngest is with our father today in the land of Kanaan. 33 The man, the master of the land, said to us, By this I shall know that you are honest men: leave one of your brothers with me and take grain for the famine of your houses, and go. 34 But bring your youngest brother to me that I may know that you are not spies, for you are honest men. I shall give your brother to you, and you may trade in the land. 35 Now it came about as they were emptying their sacks, that behold, every one's bundle of money was in his sack; and when they and their father saw the bundles of their money, they were dismayed. 36 Their father Ya'aqob said to them, You have bereaved me of my children: Yoseph is not, and Shimeon is not, and you would take Benyamin; all these things are against me. 37 Then Reuben spoke to his father, saying, You may put my two sons to death if I do not bring him back to you; put him in my care, and I shall return him to you. **38** But he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is dead, and he alone is left. If harm should befall him on the journey in which you go, then you shall bring my gray hair down to Sheol in sorrow.

Chapter 43

1 Now the famine was severe in the land. 2 So it came about when they had finished eating the grain h/Law English edited by Lanny Mebust - page 29

which they had brought from Mitsrayim, that their father said to them, Go back, buy us a little food. 3 Yahudah spoke to him, saying, The man solemnly warned us, saying, You shall not see my face unless your brother is with you. 4 If you are sending our brother with us, we shall go down to buy you food. **5** But if you do not send him, we shall not go down; for the man said to us, You shall not see my face unless your brother is with you. 6 Then Yisra'El said, Why did you treat me so badly by telling the man whether you still had a brother? 7 But they said, The man asked carefully about us and our relatives, saying, Is your father still alive? Is there a brother to you? So we answered on his mouth of these words. Could we certainly know that he would say, Bring your brother down? 8 Yahudah said to his father Yisra'El, Send the lad with me and we shall arise and go, that we may live and not die, both we and you and our little ones. 9 I shall be surety for him; you may hold me responsible for him. If I do not bring him back to you and set him before your faces, then let me bear the blame before you all the days. 10 For if we had not delayed, surely by now we could have returned twice. 11 Then their father Yisra'El said to them, If it must be so, then do this: take some of the best products of the land in your bags, and carry down to the man as a present, a little balm and a little honey, aromatic gum and myrrh, pistachio nuts and almonds. 12 Take double the money in your hand, and take back in your hands the money that was returned in the mouth of your sacks; perhaps it was a mistake. 13 Take your brother also, and arise, return to the man; 14 and may El Shadday grant you compassion in the sight of the man, so that he shall release to you vour other brother and Benvamin. And as for me, if I am bereaved of my children, I am bereaved. 15 So the men took this present, and they took double the money in their hand, and Benyamin; then they arose and went down to Mitsrayim and stood before Yoseph. 16 When Yoseph saw Benyamin with them, he said to the stewart over his house, Bring the men into the house, and slay an animal and make ready; for the men are to dine with me at noon. 17 So the man did as Yoseph said, and the man brought the men to Yoseph's house. 18 Now the men were afraid, because they were brought to Yoseph's house; and they said, For the matter of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time that we are being brought in, that he may seek occasion against us and fall upon us, and take us for servants with our donkeys. 19 So they came near to the man that is over the house of Yoseph, and spoke to him at the entrance of the house, **20** and said, O my master, we indeed came down at the first time to buy food, 21 and it came about when we came to the lodging place, that we opened our sacks, and behold, each man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in its weight. So we have brought it back in our hand. 22 We have also brought down

other money in our hand to buy food; we do not know who put our money in our sacks. 23 He said, Peace be to you, do not be afraid. Your El and the El of your father has given you treasure in your sacks; It came in unto me. Then he brought Shimeon out to them. 24 Then the man brought the men into Yoseph's house and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave fodder for their donkeys. 25 So they prepared the present for the coming of Yoseph at noon; for they had heard that they would eat bread there. 26 When Yoseph came into the house, they brought into the house to him the present which was in their hand and bowed to the ground before him. 27 Then he asked them about their welfare, and said, Is there peace to your father, the old man, of whom you spoke? Is he still alive? 28 They said, There is peace to your servant to our father; he is still alive. They bowed down their heads and made obeisance. 29 As he lifted his eyes and saw his brother Benyamin, his mother's son, he said, Is this your youngest brother, of whom you spoke to me? And he said, May Elohim be gracious to you, my son. 30 Yoseph hurried out for he was deeply stirred over his brother, and he sought a place to weep; and he entered his chamber and wept there. 31 Then he washed his face and came out; and he controlled himself and said, Serve the bread. **32** So they served him by himself, and them by themselves, and the Mitsrim who ate with him by themselves, because the Mitsrim are not able to eat bread with the Ibrim, for that is loathsome to Mitsrayim. 33 Now they were seated before him, the firstborn according to his birthright and the youngest according to his youth, and the men looked at one another in astonishment. 34 He took portions to them from before him, but Benyamin's portion was greater than the portions of all of them, five times; and they feasted and drank freely with him.

Chapter 44

1 Then he commanded the one which is over his house, saying, Fill the men's sacks with food, as much as they are able to carry, and put each one's money in the mouth of his sack. 2 Put my cup, the silver cup, in the mouth of the sack of the youngest, and his money for the grain. And he did according the word that Yoseph had spoken. 3 As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away, they with their donkeys. 4 They had just gone out of the city, and were not far off, when Yoseph said to the one which was at his house, Up, follow after the men; and when you overtake them, say to them, Why have you repaid evil for good? 5 Is not this the one from which my master drinks and from which he uses for divination? What wicked thing you have done. 6 So he overtook them and spoke these words to them. 7 They said to him, Why does my master speak such words as these? Far be it from your servants to do according this thing. 8 Behold, the money which we found in the mouth of our sacks we have brought back to you from the land of Kanaan. How then could we steal silver or gold from your master's house? 9 With whomever of your servants it is found, let him die, and we also shall be my master's servants. 10 So he said, Now let it also be according to your words; So it is; he with whom it is found shall be my servant, and you shall be innocent. 11 Then they hurried, each one lowered his sack to the ground, and each one opened his sack. 12 He searched, beginning with the oldest and ending with the youngest, and the cup was found in Benyamin's sack. 13 Then they tore their clothes, and when each one placed on his donkey, they returned to the city. 14 When Yahudah and his brothers came to Yoseph's house, he was still there, and they fell to the ground before him. 15 Yoseph said to them, What is this deed that you have done? Do you not know that such a man as I can practice divination? 16 So Yahudah said, What can we say to my master? What can we speak? And how can we justify ourselves? The Elohim has found out the iniquity of your servants; behold, we are my master's servants, both we and the one in whose possession the cup has been found. **17** But he said, Far be it from me to do this. The man in whose hand the cup has been found, he shall be my servant; but as for you, go up in peace to your father. **18** Then Yahudah approached him, and said, Oh my master, may your servant please speak a word in my master's ears, and do not be angry with your servant; for you are like to Pharaoh. 19 My master asked his servants, saying, Have you a father or a brother? **20** We said to my master. We have an old father and a little child of his old age. Now his brother is dead, so he alone is left of his mother, and his father loves him. 21 Then you said to your servants, Bring him down to me that I may set my eyes on him. 22 But we said to my master, The lad is not able to leave his father, for if he should leave his father, his father would die. 23 You said to your servants, Unless your youngest brother comes down with you, you shall not continue to see my face. 24 Thus it came about when we went up to your servant my father, we told him the words of my master. **25** Our father said, Go back, buy us a little food. 26 But we said, We cannot go down. If our youngest brother is with us, then we shall go down; for we are not able to see the man's face unless our youngest brother is with us. 27 Your servant my father said to us, You know that my wife bore me two sons; 28 and the one went out from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces, and I have not seen him until now. 29 If you take this one also from my face, and harm befalls him, you shall bring my gray hair down to Sheol in sorrow. 30 Now, therefore, when I come to your servant my father, and the lad is not with us, since his life is bound up in his soul, 31 It shall come to pass when he sees that the lad is not with us, he shall die. Thus your servants shall bring the gray hair of your servant our father down to Sheol in sorrow. **32** For your servant became surety for the lad to my father, saying, If I do not bring him back to you, then I shall be sinning against my father all the days. **33** Now, therefore, please let your servant remain instead of the lad a servant to my master, and let the lad go up with his brothers. **34** For how shall I go up to my father if the lad is not with me?Lest I look upon the evil that would overtake my father?

Chapter 45

1 Then Yoseph was not able to control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried, Have every man go out from me. So there was no man with him when Yoseph made himself known to his brothers. 2 Then he gave forth his voice, in weeping, and the Mitsrites heard, and the house of Pharaoh heard of it. 3 Then Yoseph said to his brothers, I am Yoseph! Is my father still alive? But his brothers were not able to answer him, for they were dismayed at his presence. 4 Then Yoseph said to his brothers, Please come closer to me. And they came closer. And he said, I am your brother Yoseph, whom you sold me into Mitsrayim. 5 Now do not be grieved and be not angry with yourselves, because you sold me here, for Elohim sent me before you to preserve life. 6 For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are still five years in which there shall be neither plowing nor harvesting. 7 Elohim sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to keep you alive by a great deliverance. 8 Now it was not you who sent me here, but the Elohim; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh and to a master of all his house and ruler over all the land of Mitsrayim. 9 Hurry and go up to my father, and say to him, Thus says your son Yoseph, Elohim has made me master of all Mitsrayim; come down to me, do not delay. 10 You shall live in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your sons and your sons's sons and your flocks and your herds and all that you have. 11 There I shall also provide for you, for there are still five years of famine, lest you and your house and all that you would have be impoverished. 12 Behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benyamin see, that it is my mouth which is speaking to you. 13 Now you must tell my father of all my splendor in Mitsrayim, and all that you have seen; and you must hurry and bring my father down here. 14 Then he fell on his brother Benyamin's neck and wept, and Benyamin wept on his neck. 15 He kissed all his brothers and wept on them, and afterward his brothers talked with him. 16 Now when the news was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, that Yoseph's brothers had come, it pleased in the eyes of Pharaoh and in the eyes of his servants. 17 Then Pharaoh said to Yoseph, Say to your brothers, Do this: load your beasts and go to the land of Kanaan, 18 and take your father and your houses and come to me, and I 31

shall give you the best of the land of Mitsrayim and you shall eat the fat of the land. 19 Now you are ordered, Do this: take you wagons from the land of Mitsrayim for your little ones and for your wives, and bring your father and come. 20 Do not concern yourselves with your goods, for the best of all the land of Mitsrayim, that it shall be to you. 21 Then the sons of Yisra'El did so; and Yoseph gave them wagons according to the command of Pharaoh, and gave them provisions for the journey. 22 To each of them he gave each man changes of garments, but to Benyamin he gave three hundred pieces of silver and five changes of garments. 23 To his father he sent after this manner: ten donkeys loaded with the best things of Mitsrayim, and ten female donkeys loaded with grain and bread and sustenance for his father on the journey. 24 So he sent his brothers away, and as they departed, he said to them, Do not quarrel on the journey. 25 Then they went up from Mitsrayim, and came to the land of Kanaan to their father Ya'aqob. 26 They told him, saying, Yoseph is still alive, and indeed he is ruler over all the land of Mitsrayim. But his heart fainted, for he did not believe them. 27 When they told him all the words of Yoseph that he had spoken to them, and when he saw the wagons that Yoseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of their father Ya'aqob revived. 28 Then Yisra'El said, It is enough; my son Yoseph is still alive. I shall go and see him before I die.

Chapter 46

1 So Yisra'El set out with all that he had, and came to Beer Shaba, and offered sacrifices to the El of his father Yitschaq.

Shabbat Torah Reading Schedule (12th sidrah) Genesis 46:2 50) 2 Elohim spoke to Yisra'El in visions of the night and said, Ya'aqob, Ya'aqob. And he said, Here I am. 3 He said, I am the El, the El of your father; do not be afraid to go down to Mitsrayim, for I shall make you a great nation there. 4 I shall go down with you to Mitsrayim, and I shall also surely return you; and Yoseph shall put his hand upon your eyes. **5** Then Ya'agob arose from Beersheba; and the sons of Yisra'El carried their father Ya'agob and their little ones and their wives in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him. 6 They took their livestock and their property, which they had acquired in the land of Kanaan, and came to Mitsrayim, Ya'aqob and all his descendants with him: 7 his sons and his sons' sons with him, his daughters and his sons' daughters, and all his descendants he brought with him to Mitsrayim. 8 Now these are the names of the sons of Yisra'El, Ya'aqob and his sons, who went to Mitsrayim: Reuben, Ya'aqob's firstborn. 9 The sons of Reuben: Chanok and Phallu and Chetsron and Karmi. 10 The sons of Shimeon: Yemu'El and Yamin and Ohad and Yakin and Tsochar and Shaul the son of a Kanaanite woman. 11 The sons of Lewi: Gershon, Qehath, and Merari. 12 The sons of Yahudah: Er and Onan and Shelah and Pherets

and Zarach (but Er and Onan died in the land of Kanaan). And the sons of Pherets were Chetsron and Chamul. 13 The sons of Yissashkar: Tola and Phuwah and Yob and Shimron. 14 The sons of Zebulun: Sered and Elon and Yachle'El. 15 These are the sons of Leah, whom she bore to Ya'aqob in Phaddan-Aram, with his daughter Dinah; all the souls of his sons and his daughters numbered thirtythree. 16 The sons of Gad: Tsiphion and Chaggi, Shuni and Etsbon, Eri and Arodi and Areli. 17 The sons of Asher: Yimnah and Yishwah and Yishwi and Beriah and their sister Serach. And the sons of Beriah: Cheber and Malki'El. 18 These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to his daughter Leah; and she bore to Ya'aqob these sixteen souls. 19 The sons of Ya'aqob's wife Rachel: Yoseph and Benyamin. 20 Now to Yoseph in the land of Mitsrayim were born Manasseh and Ephrayim, whom Asenath, the daughter of Potiphera, priest of On, bore to him. 21 The sons of Benyamin: Bela and Beker and Ashbel, Gera and Naaman, Echi and Rosh, Muppim and Chuppim and Ard. 22 These are the sons of Rachel, who were born to Ya'aqob; there were fourteen souls in all. 23 The sons of Dan: Chushim. 24 The sons of Naphtali: Yachts'El and Guni and Yetser and Shillem. 25 These are the sons of Bilhah, whom Laban gave to his daughter Rachel, and she bore these to Ya'aqob; there were seven souls in all. 26 All the souls that came with Ya'aqob, who came to Mitsrayim, out of his loins, besides the wives of Ya'aqob's sons, were sixty-six souls in all. 27 and the sons of Yoseph, who were born to him in Mitsrayim were two souls; all the souls of the house of Ya'aqob, who came to Mitsrayim, were seventy. 28 Now he sent Yahudah before him to Yoseph, to point out the way before him to Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen. 29 Yoseph prepared his chariot and went up to Goshen to meet his father Yisra'El; as soon as he appeared before him, he fell on his neck and wept on his neck a long time. 30 Then Yisra'El said to Yoseph, Now let me die, since I have seen your face, that you are still alive. 31 Yoseph said to his brothers and to his fathers house, I shall go up and tell Pharaoh, and shall say to him, My brothers and my father's house, who were in the land of Kanaan, have come to me; 32 and the men are shepherds of flocks, for they have been men of livestock; and they have brought their flocks and their herds and all that they have. **33** And it shall be when Pharaoh calls you and says, What is your occupation? 34 you shall say, Your servants have been men of livestock from our youth even until now, both we and our fathers, that you may live in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd of flocks is loathsome to Mitsrayim.

Chapter 47

1 Then Yoseph went in and told Pharaoh, and said, My father and my brothers and their flocks and their

herds and all that is theirs, have come out of the land of Kanaan; and behold, they are in the land of Goshen. 2 He took five men from among his brothers and presented them before Pharaoh. 3 Then Pharaoh said to his brothers, What is your occupation? So they said to Pharaoh, Your servants are shepherds of flocks, both we and our fathers. 4 They said to Pharaoh. We have come to sojourn in the land, for there is no pasture for the flocks which belong to your servants, for the famine is severe in the land of Kanaan. Now, therefore, please let your servants live in the land of Goshen. 5 Then Pharaoh said to Yoseph, saying, Your father and your brothers have come to you. 6 The land of Mitsrayim before your faces; it is in the best of the land that cause your father and your brothers live, let them live in the land of Goshen; and if you know any capable men among them, then make them rulers of the livestock over what belongs to me. 7 Then Yoseph brought his father Ya'aqob and placed him before Pharaoh; and Ya'aqob blessed Pharaoh. 8 Pharaoh said to Ya'aqob, How many years of days have you lived? 9 So Ya'aqob said to Pharaoh, The days of the years of my sojourning are one hundred and thirty; few and unpleasant have been the days of the years of my life, nor have they attained the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their sojourning. **10** And Ya'aqob blessed Pharaoh, and went out from Pharoah. 11 So Yoseph settled his father and his brothers and gave them a possession in the land of Mitsrayim, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as Pharaoh had ordered. 12 Yoseph provided his father and his brothers and all his father's house with food, for the mouth of their little ones. 13 Now there was no food in all the land, because the famine was very severe, so that the land of Mitsrayim and the land of Kanaan languished because of the famine. 14 Yoseph gathered all the money that was found in the land of Mitsrayim and in the land of Kanaan for the grain which they bought, and Yoseph brought the money into Pharaoh's house. **15** When the money was spent in the land of Mitsrayim and in the land of Kanaan, all Mitsrayim came to Yoseph and said, Give us food, and why should we die in your presence? For our money is gone. 16 Then Yoseph said, Give up your livestock, and I shall give you for your livestock, since your money is gone. 17 So they brought their livestock to Yoseph, and Yoseph gave them foodfor the horses and for the livestock of the flocks and for the livestock of the herds and for the donkeys; and he fed them with food in exchange for all their livestock that year. **18** When that year was ended, they came to him the next year and said to him, We shall not hide from my master, how that our money and the cattle of beast for my master has failed. There is nothing left for my master except our bodies and our lands. 19 Why should we die before your eyes, both we and our land? Buy us and our

land for food, and we and our land shall be servants to Pharaoh. So give us seed, that we may live and not die, and that the land may not be desolate. 20 So Yoseph bought all the land of Mitsrayim for Pharaoh, for the men of Mitsrayim sold their fields, because the famine was severe upon them. Thus the land became Pharaoh's. **21** As for the people, he removed them to the cities from one end of Mitsrayim's border to the other. 22 Only the land of the priests he did not buy, for the priests had an allotment from Pharaoh, and they lived off the allotment which Pharaoh gave them. Therefore, they did not sell their land. 23 Then Yoseph said to the people, Behold, I have today bought you and your land for Pharaoh; now, here is seed for you, and you may sow the land. 24 And it shall come to pass that in the harvest you shall give a fifth to Pharaoh, and four-fifths shall be yours for seed of the field and for your food and for those of your households and as food for your little ones. 25 So they said, You have saved our lives! Let us find favor in the sight of my master, and we shall be Pharaoh's servants. 26 Yoseph made it a statute concerning the land of Mitsrayim to this day, that Pharaoh should have the fifth; only the land of the priests alone, it had not become Pharaoh's. 27 Now Yisra'El lived in the land of Mitsrayim, in the land of Goshen, and they acquired property in it and were fruitful and multiplied exceedingly. 28 Ya'aqob lived in the land of Mitsrayim seventeen years; so the days of Ya'aqob, the years of his life was one hundred and forty-seven years. 29 When the days for Yisra'El to die drew near, he called his son Yoseph and said to him, Please, if I have found favor in your sight, place now your hand under my thigh and deal with me in kindness and faithfulness. Please do not bury me in Mitsrayim, 30 but when I lie down with my fathers, you shall carry me out of Mitsrayim and bury me in their burial place. And he said, I shall do according to your words. 31 He said, Swear to me. So he swore to him. Then Yisra'El bowed in worship at the head of the bed.

Chapter 48

1 Now it came about after these things that Yoseph was told, Behold, your father is sick. So he took his two sons Manasseh and Ephrayim with him. 2 When it was told to Ya'aqob, Behold, your son Yoseph has come to you, Yisra'El collected his strength and sat up in the bed. 3 Then Ya'aqob said to Yoseph, El Shaddai appeared to me at Luz in the land of Kanaan and blessed me, 4 and He said to me, Behold, I shall make you fruitful and I shall multiple you, and I shall make you a company of peoples, and shall give this land to your descendants after you for an everlasting possession. 5 Now your two sons, who were born to you in the land of Mitsrayim before I came to you in Mitsrayim, are mine; they, Ephrayim and Manasseh, like Reuben and Shimeon shall be mine. 6 But your offspring that have been born after them shall be yours; they

shall be called by the names of their brothers in their inheritance. 7 And I, when I came from Paddan, Rachel died, on me, in the land of Kanaan on the way, with only a little way to come to Ephrath; and I buried her there on the way to Ephrath that is, Beyth lachem. 8 When Yisra'El saw Yoseph's sons, he said, Who are these? 9 Yoseph said to his father. They are my sons, whom Elohim has given me here. So he said, Bring them to me, please, that I may bless them. 10 Now the eyes of Yisra'El were so dim from age that he was not able to see. Then he brought them close to him, and he kissed them and embraced them. 11 Yisra'El said to Yoseph, I did not think to see your face, and behold, Elohim also causes me to see your seed. 12 Then Yoseph took them from his knees, and bowed with his face to the ground. 13 Yoseph took them both, Ephravim with his right hand toward Yisra'El's left, and Manasseh with his left hand toward Yisra'El's right, and brought them close to him. 14 But Yisra'El stretched out his right hand and laid it on the head of Ephrayim, who was the younger, and his left hand on Manasseh's head, crossing his hands, although Manasseh was the firstborn. 15 He blessed Yoseph, and said, The Elohim in His presence whom my fathers Abraham and Yitschaq walked, the Elohim who has been my shepherd from my youth to this day, **16** The messenger who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the lads; and may my name live on in them, and the names of my fathers Abraham and Yitschaq; And may they grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth. 17 When Yoseph saw that his father laid his right hand on Ephravim's head, it displeased him; and he grasped his father's hand to remove it from Ephrayim's head to Manasseh's head. 18 Yoseph said to his father, Not so, my father, for this one is the firstborn. Place your right hand on his head. 19 But his father refused and said, I know, my son, I know; he also shall become a people and he also shall be great. But his younger brother shall be greater than he, and his descendants shall become a multitude of nations. 20 He blessed them that day, saying, By you Yisra'El shall bless, saying, May Elohim make you like Ephravim and like Manasseh! Thus he put Ephrayim before Manasseh. 21 Then Yisra'El said to Yoseph, Behold, I am about to die, but Elohim shall be with you, and bring you back to the land of your fathers. 22 I give you one portion more than your brothers, which I took from the hand of the Emorite with my sword and with my bow.

Chapter 49

1 Then Ya'aqob called unto his sons and said, Assemble yourselves that I may tell you what shall befall you in the last days. 2 Gather together and hear, O sons of Ya'aqob; and listen to Yisra'El your father. 3 Reuben, you are my firstborn; my might and the beginning of my strength, preeminent in dignity and preeminent in power. 4 Uncontrolled as

water, you shall not have preeminence, because you went up to your father's bed; then you defiled it, he went up to my couch. 5 Shimeon and Lewi are brothers; their weapons are instruments of violence. 6 Let my soul not enter into their council; let not my glory be united with their assembly; because in their anger they slew men, and in their self-shall they lamed oxen. 7 Cursed be their anger, for it is fierce; and their wrath, for it is cruel. I shall disperse them in Ya'aqob, and scatter them in Yisra'El. 8 Yahudah, your brothers shall praise you; your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies; your father's sons shall bow down to you. 9 Yahudah is a lion's whelp; from the prey, my son, you have gone up. He couches, he lies down as a lion, and as a old lion, who dares rouse him up? **10** The scepter shall not depart from Yahudah, nor the lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh comes, and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples. 11 He ties his foal to the vine, and his donkey's colt to the choice vine; he washes his garments in wine, and his robes in the blood of grapes. 12 His eyes are dull from wine, and his teeth white from milk. 13 Zebulun shall dwell at the seashore; and he shall be a haven for ships, and his flank shall be toward Tsidon. 14 Yissashkar is a strong donkey, lying down between the sheepfolds. 15 When he saw that a resting place was good and that the land was pleasant, he bowed his shoulder to bear, and became a servant at forced labor. 16 Dan shall judge his people, as one of the tribes of Yisra'El. 17 Dan shall be a serpent in the way, a horned snake in the path, that bites the horse's heels, so that his rider falls backward. 18 For Your salvation I wait, O **313**1. **19** As for Gad, raiders shall raid him, but he shall raid at their heels. 20 As for Asher, his food shall be fat, and he shall give dainties of a king. 21 Naphtali is a doe let loose, he gives beautiful words. 22 Yoseph is a son of the fruitful bough, a son of a fruitful bough by a spring; its branches run over a wall. 23 The masters of arrows harass him, and shoot and lie in wait for him; 24 But his bow abides in strength, and the hands of his arms were agile, from the hands of the Mighty One of Ya'aqob from there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Yisra'El, 25 from El of your father who helps you, and by Shadday (Almighty) who blesses you with blessings of heavens above, blessings of the deep that lies beneath, blessings of the breasts and of the womb. 26 The blessings of your father have surpassed the blessings of my ancestors up to the utmost bound of the everlasting hills; may they be on the head of Yoseph, and on the crown of the head of the one distinguished among his brothers. **27** Benyamin is a ravenous wolf; in the morning he devours the prey, and in the evening he divides the spoil. **28** All these are the twelve tribes of Yisra'El, and this is what their father said to them when he blessed them; each one with what was according to his blessing he blessed to him. 29 Then he charged

them and said to them, I am about to be gathered to my people; Bury me with my fathers in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Chittite, **30** in the cave that is in the field of Makpelah, which is before Mamre, in the land of Kanaan, which Abraham bought along with the field from Ephron the Chittite for a burial site. **31** There they buried Abraham and his wife Sarah, there they buried Yitschaq and his wife Ribqah, and there I buried Leah. **32** the field and the cave that is in it, purchased from the sons of Cheth. **33** When Ya'aqob finished commanding his sons, he drew his feet into the bed and he expired, and was gathered to his people.

Chapter 50

1 Then Yoseph fell on his father's face, and wept over him and kissed him. 2 Yoseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father. So the physicians embalmed Yisra'El. 3 Now forty days were required for him, for such is the days fulfilled for embalming. And Mitsrayim wept for him seventy days. 4 When the days of his weeping passed by, Yoseph spoke to the house of Pharaoh, saying, If now I have found favor in your sight, please speak to the ears of Pharaoh, saying, 5 My father made me swear, saying, Behold, I am about to die; in my grave which I dug for myself in the land of Kanaan, there you shall bury me. Now therefore, please let me go up and bury my father; then I shall return. 6 Pharaoh said, Go up and bury your father, as he made you swear. 7 So Yoseph went up to bury his father, and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house and all the elders of the land of Mitsravim, 8 and all the house of Yoseph and his brothers and his father's house; they left only their little ones and their flocks and their herds in the land of Goshen. 9 There also went up with him both chariots and horsemen; and the company was very great. **10** When they came to the threshing floor of Atad, which is beyond the Yarden, they lamented there with a very great and sorrowful lamentation; and he observed seven days mourning for his father. 11 Now when the inhabitants of the land, the Kanaanites, saw the mourning at the threshing floor of Atad, they said, This is a grievous mourning for Mitsrayim. Therefore it was called its name Abel-Mitsrayim, which is beyond the Yarden. 12 Thus his sons did for him as he had charged them; **13** for his sons carried him to the land of Kanaan and buried him in the cave of the field of Makpelah before Mamre, which Abraham had bought along with the field for a burial site from Ephron the Chittite. 14 After he had buried his father, Yoseph returned to Mitsrayim, he and his brothers, and all who had gone up with him to bury his father. **15** When Yoseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, What if Yoseph bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong which we did to him! **16** So they sent a message to Yoseph,

saying, Your father charged before he died, saying, 17 Thus you shall say to Yoseph, Please forgive, I beg you, the transgression of your brothers and their sin, for they did you wrong. And now, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the El of your father. And Yoseph wept when they spoke to him. 18 Then his brothers also came and fell down before his face and said, Behold, we are to you for the servants. 19 But Yoseph said to them, Do not be afraid, for am I in Elohim's place? 20 And you, you intended evil against me, but Elohim intended it for good in order to bring about this day, to preserve many people alive. 21 So therefore, do not be afraid; I shall provide for you and your little ones. So he comforted them and spoke to their hearts. 22 Now Yoseph stayed in Mitsravim, he and his father's house, and Yoseph lived one hundred and ten years. 23 Yoseph saw the third generation of Ephrayim's sons; also the sons of Makir, the son of Manasseh, were born on Yoseph's knees. 24 Yoseph said to his brothers, I am about to die, but Elohim shall surely take care of you and bring you up from this land to the land which He swore on oath to Abraham, to Yitschaq and to Ya'aqob. 25 Then Yoseph made the sons of Yisra'El swear, saying, Elohim shall surely take care of you, and you shall carry my bones up from here. 26 So Yoseph died, a son of a hundred and ten years; and he was embalmed and placed in a coffin in Mitsrayim.