

October 30, 2021  
24 Cheshvan, 5782  
Shabbat Chayei Sarah



*It has been told to you, what is good, and what Adonai requires of you  
Only to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)*

**Asher Yatzar: Beautiful and Broken**  
*Music and English lyrics by Dan Nichols*

I thank You for my life, body and soul  
Help me realize I am beautiful and whole  
I'm perfect the way I am, and a little broken too  
I will live each day as a gift I give to You.

Baruch Atah Adonai, rofeih chol basar umaflia laasot.      בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ רוֹפֵא כָּל בָּשָׂר וּמַפְלִיא לַעֲשׂוֹת.

*Blessed are you, Adonai, who heals all flesh, working wondrously.*

## Genesis בְּרֵאשִׁית 24

- א** וְאַבְרָהָם זָקֵן בָּא בְּיָמָיו וַיְהִי הַבְּרָךְ אֶת־אַבְרָהָם בְּכָל:
- 1** Abraham was old, well advanced in years, and the Eternal had blessed Abraham in every way.
- ב** וַיֹּאמֶר אַבְרָהָם אֶל־עַבְדּוֹ זָקֵן בֵּיתוֹ הַמִּשְׁלָב בְּכָל־אֲשֶׁר־לוֹ שִׁים־נָא יָדְךָ תַּחַת יְרֵכִי:
- 2** Abraham now said to his slave, the elder of his household, who had oversight of all that was his, “Put your hand under my thigh,
- ג** וְאֲשַׁבְּעֶךָ בִּיהוָה אֱלֹהֵי הַשָּׁמַיִם וְאֱלֹהֵי הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר לֹא־תִקַּח אִשָּׁה לְבְנִי מִבְּנוֹת הַכְּנַעֲנִי אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי יוֹשֵׁב בְּקִרְבּוֹ:
- 3** so that I may have you swear by the Eternal, God of heaven and God of earth, that you will not take a wife for my son from among the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose midst I dwell.
- ד** וְכִי אֶל־אֶרֶץ וְאֶל־מִוְלַדְתִּי תֵלֵךְ וְלָקַחְתָּ אִשָּׁה לְבְנִי לִי־חָק:
- 4** Rather, you shall go to my land, my birthplace, and get a wife for my son Isaac.”
- ה** וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלִילוֹ הָעֶבֶד אוֹלִי לֹא־תֵאבְדָה הָאִשָּׁה לְלֶכֶת אַחֲרַי אֶל־הָאָרֶץ הַזֹּאת הַהֵשֵׁב אֶשְׁיֵב אֶת־בְּנֶךָ אֶל־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־יָצָאתָ מִשָּׁם:
- 5** The slave replied, “Suppose the woman does not care to follow me to this land—should I then bring your son back to the land you came from?”
- ו** וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו אַבְרָהָם הֲשִׁמְרָ לְךָ פְּרוֹתֶיךָ אֶת־בְּנִי שְׁמָה:
- 6** Abraham then answered him, “Take great care not to bring my son back there!

## Haftarah for Chayei Sarah: Hosea 2:20-25

*In Parashat Chayei Sarah, the matriarch Sarah dies, and then Abraham sends his servant Eliezer to find a wife for Isaac, his son. In this parasha, we have the first mention of consent - the affirmative choosing of partnership between two partners. This mention is made first by Eliezer in conversation with Abraham, and later by Rebecca herself, when she affirms that she wishes to leave her parent's home and go with Eliezer to marry Isaac. Perhaps it is because Eliezer is a servant, and thus aware of the complicated power dynamics in a family, that he is so attentive to Rebecca's agency.*

### Hosea 2:20-25

(20) In that day, I will make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the creeping things of the ground; I will also banish bow, sword, and war from the land. Thus I will let them lie down in safety. (21) And I will espouse you forever: I will espouse you with righteousness and justice, and with *chesed*, loving-kindness and compassion, (22) And I will espouse you with faithfulness; Then you shall be devoted to the Eternal. (23) In that day, I will respond—declares the Eternal—I will respond to the sky, And it shall respond to the earth; (24) And the earth shall respond with new grain and wine and oil, and they shall respond to Jezreel. (25) I will sow her in the land as my own; And take Lo-ruhamah back in favor; And I will say to Lo-ammi, “You are My people,” And they will respond, “[You are] my God.”

### הושע ב': כ'-כ"ה

(כ) וְכָרַתִּי לָהֶם בְּיוֹם הַהוּא  
עִם-חַיַּת הַשָּׂדֶה וְעִם-עוֹף הַשָּׁמַיִם  
וְרִמָּשׁ הָאֲדָמָה וְקִשְׁתׁ וְחַרְבׁ  
וּמִלְחָמָה אֲשַׁבֵּר מִיַּהֲאָרֶץ  
וְהִשְׁכַּבְתִּים לְבֶטַח׃  
(כא) וְאֲרֻשְׁתִּיךָ לִי לְעוֹלָם  
וְאֲרֻשְׁתִּיךָ לִי בְצִדֶק וּבְמִשְׁפָּט  
וּבְחֶסֶד וּבְרַחֲמִים׃  
(כב) וְאֲרֻשְׁתִּיךָ לִי בְּאַמוּנָה וַיְדַעַת  
אֶת־יְהוָה׃  
(כג) וְהָיָה אִ בְּיוֹם הַהוּא אֲעַנֶּה  
נְאֻמֵי-יְהוָה אֲעַנֶּה אֶת-הַשָּׁמַיִם וְהֵם  
יַעֲנֵנו אֶת-הָאָרֶץ׃ (כד) וְהָאָרֶץ תַּעֲנֶה  
אֶת-הַדָּגָן וְאֶת-הַתִּירוֹשׁ וְאֶת־  
הַיִּצְהָר וְהֵם יַעֲנֵנו אֶת־יִזְרְעֵאל׃  
(כה) וְזָרַעְתִּיךָ לִי בְּאָרֶץ וְרַחֲמִתִּי  
אֶת־לֵאלֹהֵי רַחֲמָה וְאֶמְרִתִּי  
לְלֹא-עֲמַל עַמִּי-אַתָּה וְהוּא יֹאמֶר  
אֱלֹהֵי׃

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### ***We Remember a Few of Far Too Many Lives Lost to COVID-19***

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Eddie Jaku, 101, survived Buchenwald, Gurs, and Auschwitz, Sydney, Australia  
D'Anthony Dorsey, 24, multi-sport athlete, Lakeland, Florida  
Danitza Simpson, 51, grandmother and foster family care advocate, Adelphi, Maryland

### ***We Remember Those Lost to Violence in Washington, DC***

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Keon Bonner, 40, NE DC; Malik Bullock, 25, NE DC; Eric Cooper, 27;  
Dametrics Evans, 47, SW DC; Michael Phillip Johnson, 21, SE DC;  
Marquise Jones, 32, no fixed address; Sharon Robinson, 44, no fixed address;  
Rickisha Waller-Henderson, 38, no fixed address; Angela White-Hooks, 52

### ***Shiva***

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Janice Berlin, mother of Shellie Bressler

### ***Shloshim***

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Charles Davisson, David Wilson

### ***Yahrzeit***

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