



*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)*

Genesis 40 בְּרֵאשִׁית 40

ה וַיַּחְלְמוּ חֵלֹם שְׁנֵיהֶם אִישׁ חֵלְמוֹ בְּלַיְלָה אֶחָד אִישׁ כִּפְתָּרוֹן חֵלְמוֹ הַמְשָׁקָה וְהָאֹפֶה אֲשֶׁר לְמֶלֶךְ מִצְרַיִם אֲשֶׁר אֲסוּרִים בְּבַיִת הַסֵּהר:

5 They dreamt a dream, the two of them—the cupbearer and the baker of the king of Egypt who were held in the prison—each one’s dream falling on the same night, each one’s dream with its own meaning.

ו וַיָּבֹא אֲלֵיהֶם יוֹסֵף בְּבֹקֶר וַיִּרְא אֹתָם וְהֵנָּם זְעֵפִים:

6 When Joseph came to them in the morning, he saw that they seemed out of sorts.

ז וַיִּשְׁאַל אֶת־סָרִיסֵי פְרָעָה אֲשֶׁר אִתּוֹ בְּמִשְׁמַר בַּיִת אֲדֹנָיו לֵאמֹר מָדוּעַ פְּנִיכֶם רָעִים הַיּוֹם:

7 He asked Pharaoh’s officers who were with him under guard, “Why are you so downcast today?”

ח וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֵלָיו חֵלֹם חֵלְמָנוּ וּפְתָר אֵין אִתּוֹ וַיֹּאמֶר אֲלֵיהֶם יוֹסֵף הֲלוֹא לֵאלֹהִים פְּתָרְנִים סִפְרוּנָא לִי:

8 So they said to him, “We each dreamt a dream, but there is no one to interpret it.” Joseph then said to them, “Surely interpretations are in God’s domain; but go ahead and tell them to me.”

ט וַיִּסְפֹּר שַׂר־הַמְשָׁקִים אֶת־חֵלְמוֹ לְיוֹסֵף וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ בְּחֵלְוָמִי וְהִנֵּה־גִפְנוֹ לְפָנַי:

9 The chief cupbearer then recounted his dream to Joseph, saying to him, “In my dream, there was a vine in front of me,

י וּבִגְפְנוֹ שְׁלֹשָׁה שָׂרִיגִים וְהוּא כִפְרַחַת עֲלֵתָהּ נֹצֵהָ הִבְשִׁילוּ אֶשְׁפֹּלְתֶיהָ עֲנָבִים:

10 and on that vine were three branches. Barely had it budded when its blossoms flowered; its clusters ripened with grapes.

יא וְכוֹס פְּרָעָה בְּיָדִי וָאֶקַּח אֶת־הָעֲנָבִים וָאֲשַׁחַט אֹתָם אֶל־כוֹס פְּרָעָה וָאִתְּנוּ אֶת־הַכוֹס עַל־כַּף פְּרָעָה:

11 Pharaoh’s cup was in my hand, and I took the grapes and squeezed them into Pharaoh’s cup and put the cup in Pharaoh’s palm.”

יב וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ יוֹסֵף זֶה פְּתָרְנֹו שְׁלֹשֶׁת הַשָּׂרָגִים שְׁלֹשֶׁת יָמִים הֵם:

12 Joseph then said to him, “This is its meaning—the three branches are three days;

יג בְּעוֹד | שְׁלֹשֶׁת יָמִים יִשָּׂא פְרָעָה אֶת־רֹאשׁוֹ וְהִשְׁיבֵךְ עַל־כַּנְּךָ וְנָתַתְּ כוֹס־פְּרָעָה בְּיָדוֹ כַּמִּשְׁפָּט הָרִאשׁוֹן אֲשֶׁר הָיִיתָ מַשְׁקֵהוּ:

13 in three days’ time, Pharaoh will lift up your head and restore you to your post; you shall [again] place Pharaoh’s cup in his hand, as you used to do when you were his cupbearer.

- יד** 14 Only call me to mind when it goes well for you, and keep faith with me: commend me to Pharaoh and get me out of this place!
- טו** 15 For I was stolen from the land of the Hebrews, and here, too, I did nothing, that they consigned me to [this] pit!”
- כ** 20 The third day was Pharaoh’s birthday, and he gave a feast for all his officials. He singled out the chief cupbearer and the chief baker among his officials:
- כא** 21 He restored the chief cupbearer to his office; [again] he placed the cup in Pharaoh’s palm.
- כב** 22 The chief baker he hanged, as Joseph had interpreted for them.
- כג** 23 But the chief cupbearer did not remember Joseph; [instead] he forgot him.

Haftarah for Vayeishev: Joshua 1:1-11, 5:1; Native American Poetry

Joshua 1:1-11

- (1) After the death of Moses, God’s servant, God said to Joshua ben Nun, Moses’ attendant:
- (2) “My servant Moses has died. Prepare to cross the Jordan, together with the whole people, into the land that I am giving to you, to the Israelites. (3) Each spot on which your foot treads I give to you, as I promised Moses. (4) Your territory shall extend from the wilderness and the Lebanon to the Great River, the River Euphrates, where the sun rises—the whole Hittite land—and up to the Mediterranean Sea on the west. (5) No one shall be able to resist you as long as you live. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you.
- (6) Be strong and resolute, for you shall apportion to this people the land that I swore to their ancestors to give to them. (7) But you must be very strong and resolute to observe faithfully all the Torah that my servant Moses

יהושע א' - א' - י"א

- (א) ויהי אחרי מות משה עבד יהוה ויאמר יהוה אליהושיע ברנון משרת משה לאמר:
- (ב) משה עבדי מת ועתה קום עבר את הירדן הזה אתה וכל העם הזה אליהארץ אשר אנכי נתן להם לבני ישראל: (ג) כל מקום אשר תדרוך ברגלכם בו לכם נתתיו כאשר דברתי אל משה:
- (ד) מהמדבר והלבנון הזה ועד הנהר הגדול נהר פרת כל ארץ החתים ועד הים הגדול מבוא השמש יהיה גבולכם: (ה) לא יתניצב איש לפניך כל ימי חייך כאשר הייתי עם משה אהיה עמך לא ארפך ולא אעזבך:
- (ו) חזק ואמץ כי אתה תנחיל את העם הזה אתהארץ אשר נשבעתי לאבותם לתת להם: (ז) רק חזק ואמץ מאד לשמר לעשות ככל התורה אשר צוה משה עבדי אלתסור ממנו ימיו ושמואל למען תשכיל בכל אשר תלך: (ח) לא ימוש ספר התורה הזה מפיד והגית בו יומם ולילה למען תשמר לעשות ככל הכתוב בו כי אז תצליח

enjoined upon you. Do not deviate from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go. (8) Let not this book of the Torah cease from your lips, but recite it day and night, so that you may observe faithfully all that is written in it. Only then will you prosper in your undertakings and only then will you be successful. (9) I charge you: Be strong and resolute; do not be terrified or dismayed, for Adonai your God is with you wherever you go.”

אֶת־דְּרָכָךָ וְאֶזְרְךָ תִּשְׁכֵּל: (ט) הַלּוֹא צְוִיתִיךָ
 חֲזַק וְאַמֵץ אֶל־תַּעֲרֹץ וְאַל־תִּתַּחַת כִּי עִמָּךָ
 יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ בְּכֹל אֲשֶׁר תֵּלֵךְ:
 (י) וַיִּצְוֵנו יְהוֹשֻׁעַ אֶת־שֹׁטְרֵי הָעָם לֵאמֹר:
 (יא) עֲבְרוּ | בְּקֶרֶב הַמַּחֲנֶה וְצִוּוּ אֶת־הָעָם
 לֵאמֹר הִכִּינוּ לָכֶם צִדָּה כִּי בַעֲוֹד | שְׁלֵשֶׁת
 יָמִים אַתֶּם עֹבְרִים אֶת־הַיַּרְדֵּן הַזֶּה לְבוֹא
 לְרִשֵׁת אֶת־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם נָתַן
 לָכֶם לְרִשְׁתָּהּ:

Joshua 5:1

(1) When all the kings of the Amorites on the western side of the Jordan, and all the kings of the Canaanites near the Sea, heard how the Eternal had dried up the waters of the Jordan for the sake of the Israelites until they crossed over, [the kings] lost heart, and no spirit was left in them because of the Israelites.

יהושע ה' א'

(א) וַיְהִי כִשְׁמַע כָּל־מַלְכֵי הָאֱמֹרִי אֲשֶׁר
 בְּעֵבֶר הַיַּרְדֵּן לְמַה וְכָל־מַלְכֵי הַכְּנַעֲנִי
 אֲשֶׁר עַל־הַיָּם אֶת אֲשֶׁר־הוֹבִישׁ יְהוָה
 אֶת־יַמֵּי הַיַּרְדֵּן מִפְּנֵי בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל עַד־
 עֲבָרוּ [עֲבָרָם] וַיִּמָּס לִבָּם וְלֹא־הָיָה
 בָּם עוֹד רוּחַ מִפְּנֵי בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Native Poetry Selections

Esther Belin, “Blues-ing on the Brown Vibe”

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I.
 And Coyote struts down East 14th
 feeling good
 looking good
 feeling the brown
 melting into the brown that loiters
 rapping with the brown in front of the Native American Health Center
 talking that talk
 of relocation from tribal nation
 of recent immigration to the place some call the United States
 home to many dislocated funky brown

 ironic immigration

 more accurate tribal nation to tribal nation

 and Coyote sprinkles corn pollen in the four directions
 to thank the tribal people
 indigenous to what some call the state of California
 the city of Oakland
 for allowing use of their land.

III.

And Coyote wanders
right into a Ponca sitting at the Fruitvale Bart station
next to the Ponca is a Seminole
Coyote struts up to the two
“Where ya’ all from?”

the Ponca replies
“Oooklahooma”
pause
the Seminole silent watches a rush of people climb in and out of the train
headed for Fremont
the Seminole stretches his arms up and back stiff from the wooden benches
pause
he pushes his lips out toward the Ponca slowly gesturing that he too is from Oklahoma
Coyote wanders
“where ’bouts?”

the Ponca replies
“Ponnca City”
pause
the Seminole replies
“Seminole”

Coyote gestures to the Ponca
“You Ponca?”
the Ponca nods his head in affirmation
Coyote nods his head in content
to the Seminole
Coyote asks
“You Seminole?”
pause
the Seminole now watching some kids eating frozen fruit bars
nods his head

and Coyote shares his smokes with the two
and ten minutes later
they travel together on the Richmond train
headed for Wednesday night dinner at the Intertribal Friendship House.

IV.

And Coyote blues-ing on the urban brown funk vibe
wanders
in and out of existence
tasting the brown
rusty at times
worn bitter from relocation.

Kimberly Blaeser, “Goodbye to all that”

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ii.

Old histories that name us enemies
don't own us; nor do our politics
grown so pow-wow liberal you seldom
point out the follies of White Earth tribal leaders.
(Except of course for the time our elected chair
mistakenly and under the influence of civilization
drove his pickup down the railroad tracks
and made the tri-state ten o'clock news.)
And Sundays behind the *Tribune*
he seldom even mentions the rabid casino bucks
or gets out his calculator and with lodge-pole eyebrows
methodically measures beaded distances,
results of territorial lines drawn in your homeland.

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

José Luiz da Silva, 52, farm worker, social media star, Santo Antônio de Jesus, Brazil
Michylyn Bingham, 51, enjoyed family game nights and nail polish art, Juneau, Wisconsin
Rabbi Irvin Stern, 94, concentration camp survivor and schochet, Baltimore, Maryland

We Remember Those Lost to Violence in Washington, DC

Dawann Saunders, 30, District Heights, Maryland

Shiva

Alex Schiffman-Shilo, husband of Amy Shilo

Shloshim

Ida Lessman, Blanche Levin, Goldie Nussbaum, Mary Lou Reck

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