

LECH L'CHA - Genesis 12:1-9

א וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה אֶל-אַבְרָם לֵךְ-לְךָ מֵאֶרֶץ וּמִמּוֹלַדְתְּךָ וּמִבֵּית אָבִיךָ
אֶל-הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר אֲרָאָה: ב וְאֶעֱשֶׂךָ לְגוֹי גָּדוֹל וְאֶבְרַכְךָ וְאֶגְדָּלְךָ
שְׁמֹךָ וְהָיָה בְרַכְּהָ: ג וְאֶבְרַכְּהָ מְבֹרָכִיךָ וּמְקַלְלֶךָ אֲאֹר וְנִבְרַכְוּ בְּךָ כָּל
מִשְׁפְּחוֹת הָאָדָמָה: ד וַיֵּלֶךְ אַבְרָם כַּאֲשֶׁר דִּבֶּר אֱלֹהֵי יְהוָה וַיֵּלֶךְ אִתּוֹ
לוֹט וְאַבְרָם בֶּן-חָמֵשׁ שָׁנִים וְשִׁבְעִים שָׁנָה בְּצֵאתוֹ מִחָרָן: ה וַיִּקַּח
אַבְרָם אֶת-שָׂרִי אִשְׁתּוֹ וְאֶת-לוֹט בֶּן-אָחִיו וְאֶת-כָּל-רְכוּשָׁם אֲשֶׁר
רָכְשׁוּ וְאֶת-הַנֶּפֶשׁ אֲשֶׁר-עָשׂוּ בְּחָרָן וַיֵּצְאוּ לְלֶכֶת אֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן וַיָּבֹאוּ
אֶרֶץ כְּנָעַן: ו וַיַּעֲבֹר אַבְרָם בְּאֶרֶץ עַד מְקוֹם שָׁכֵם עַד אֵלּוֹן מוֹרְהָ
וְהַכְּנַעֲנִי אָז בְּאֶרֶץ: ז וַיֵּרָא יְהוָה אֶל-אַבְרָם וַיֹּאמֶר לְזָרְעֶךָ אִתָּן
אֶת-הָאָרֶץ הַזֹּאת וַיְבָן שָׁם מִזְבֵּחַ לַיהוָה הַנִּרְאָה אֵלָיו: ח וַיַּעֲתֵק
מִשָּׁם הַהֲרָה מְקַדֵּם לְבֵית-אֵל וַיֵּט אָהֳלָה בֵּית-אֵל מִיָּם וְהָעֵי מְקַדֵּם
וַיְבָן-שָׁם מִזְבֵּחַ לַיהוָה וַיִּקְרָא בְּשֵׁם יְהוָה: ט וַיִּסַּע אַבְרָם הַלּוֹךְ
וְנִסּוּעַ הַנְּגֹבָה:

¹ The Eternal One said to Abram, “Go forth from your land, your birthplace, you father’s house, to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and it shall be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and I will pronounce doom on those who curse you; through you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” ⁴ So Abram went forth as the Eternal had told him, and Lot went with him. Abram was 75 years old when he left Haran. ⁵ Abram took his wife Sarai, his brother’s son Lot, all the possessions they had amassed, and the people they had acquired in Haran. They set forth for the land of Canaan, and they arrived in the land of Canaan. ⁶ Abram then traversed the land as far as the sacred site of Shechem, as far as the Oak of Moreh. (At that time the Canaanites were present in the land.) ⁷ The Eternal now appeared to Abram and said, “I am giving this land to your descendants.” Abram then built an altar there to the Eternal who had appeared to him. ⁸ From there he moved on to the hill country east of Beth El. He pitched his tent between Beth El on the west and Ai on the east. There he built another altar to the Eternal and called upon the Name of the Eternal. ⁹ And then Abram continued his journey—toward the Negev.

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Isaiah 40:27-41:1

כֹּז לָמָּה תֹאמַר יַעֲקֹב וּתְדַבֵּר יִשְׂרָאֵל נִסְתַּרְהָ דַרְכֵי מִיְהוָה וּמֵאֱלֹהֵי
מִשְׁפָּטַי יַעֲבֹר: כֹּחַ הֲלוֹא יָדַעְתָּ אִם-לֹא שָׁמַעְתָּ אֱלֹהֵי עוֹלָם | יְהוָה
בּוֹרֵא קְצוֹת הָאָרֶץ לֹא יִיָּעַף וְלֹא יִיָּגַע אֵין חֶקֶר לְתַבּוּנָתוֹ: כֹּחַ נִתַּן
לְיַעֲקֹב כֹּחַ וְלֹאֵין אֹנִים עֲצָמָה יִרְבֶּה: לֹא וְיַעֲפוּ נְעָרִים וְיִגְעוּ וּבַחֲוָרִים
כְּשׂוֹל יִכְשָׁלוּ: לֹא וְקוֹי יְהוָה יַחֲלִיפוּ כֹחַ יַעֲלוּ אֲבָר כַּנְּשָׁרִים יְרוּצוּ
וְלֹא יִיָּגְעוּ יִלְכוּ וְלֹא יִיָּעֲפוּ:

א הַחֲרִישׁוּ אֵלַי אֵיִם וּלְאֵמִים יַחֲלִיפוּ כֹחַ יִגְשׁוּ אֶז יִדְבְּרוּ יַחֲדָו
לְמִשְׁפָּט נִקְרְבָה:

²⁷ Why do you say, O Jacob, Why do you assert, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the Eternal, my claim is ignored by my God”? ²⁸ Do you not know? ²⁹ Have you not heard? ³⁰ The everlasting God, the Eternal, Creator of the earth from end to end, never grows faint, never grows weary. Measureless in understanding is the One ²⁹ who gives strength to the faint, adds power to those whose who have none. ³⁰ Even the young grow faint and weary; the young may stumble and fall— ³¹ but all who trust in the Eternal renew their strength, they soar on wings like eagles, they run and never grow weary, they march and never grow faint.

¹ Listen in silence before Me, you coastlands; the peoples shall renew their strength. Let them approach and state their case: let us come together at the seat of judgment.