

וְאֵלֶּה תּוֹלְדֹת יִצְחָק בֶּן־אַבְרָהָם אַבְרָהָם הוֹלִיד אֶת־יִצְחָק; וַיְהִי יִצְחָק  
 בֶּן־אַרְבָּעִים שָׁנָה בְּקַחְתּוֹ אֶת־רִבְקָה בִּתְּבֹתוּאֵל הָאַרְמִי מִפְּדַן אַרְם אַחֹת לְבֶן  
 הָאַרְמִי לוֹ לְאִשָּׁה; וַיַּעֲתֵר יִצְחָק לַיהוָה לְנֹכַח אִשְׁתּוֹ כִּי עֲקָרָה הוּא וַיַּעֲתֵר  
 לוֹ יְהוָה וַתַּהַר רִבְקָה אִשְׁתּוֹ; וַיִּתְרַצְצוּ הַבָּנִים בְּקֶרְבָּהּ וַתֹּאמֶר אִם־כֵּן לָמָּה  
 זֶה אֲנֹכִי וַתִּלְוֶן לְדָרֶשׁ אֶת־יְהוָה; וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה לָהּ שְׁנֵי גֵיִם בְּבִטְנָךְ וּשְׁנֵי לְאֻמִּים  
 מִמֶּעַיֶן יִפְרְדוּ וּלְאֵם מִלְאָם יֶאֱמָץ וְרַב יַעֲבֹד צָעִיר; וַיִּמְלְאוּ יְמִיהָ לְלֵדָת וְהִנֵּה  
 תּוֹמֵם בְּבִטְנָהּ; וַיֵּצֵא הָרִאשׁוֹן אֲדָמוֹנִי כִּלּוֹ כְּאֹדֶרֶת שֵׁעָר וַיִּקְרְאוּ שְׁמוֹ עֵשָׂו;  
 וְאַחֲרֵי־כֵן יָצָא אָחִיו וַיְדוּ אַחֲזֹת בְּעֵקֶב עֵשָׂו וַיִּקְרָא שְׁמוֹ יַעֲקֹב וַיִּצְחָק בֶּן־שְׁשִׁים  
 שָׁנָה בְּלֵדָת אֹתָם; וַיִּגְדְּלוּ הַנְּעָרִים וַיְהִי עֵשָׂו אִישׁ יָדַע צִיד אִישׁ שׂוֹדֵה וַיַּעֲקֹב  
 אִישׁ תָּם יֹשֵׁב אֹהֲלִים

<sup>19</sup> This is the line of Isaac son of Abraham: Abraham begot Isaac. <sup>20</sup> Isaac was 40 years old when he took as his wife Rebekah daughter of Bethuel the Aramean of Paddan-aram, the sister of Laban the Aramean. <sup>21</sup> Isaac pleaded with the Eternal on behalf of his wife, for she was childless, and the eternal acceded to his entreaty, so his wife Rebekah became pregnant. <sup>22</sup> The children pressed against each other inside of her. She thought: "If this is so, why do I exist?" so she went to enquire of the Eternal. <sup>23</sup> The Eternal One said to her: *Two peoples are in your belly; two nations shall branch off from each other [as they emerge] from your womb. One people shall prevail over the other; the elder shall serve the younger.* <sup>24</sup> When the time came for her to give birth, lo—she had twins in her belly! <sup>25</sup> The first came out reddish all over, as though covered with a hairy mantle, so they named him Esau; <sup>26</sup> his brother, following, came out holding Esau's heel, so they named him Jacob. Isaac was 60 years old when they were born. <sup>27</sup> When the boys grew up, Esau became a skillful hunter, a man of the outdoors; but Jacob was a homespun man, keeping to the tents.

## HAFTARAH

### Malachi 1:1-6

א מִשָּׂא דְבַר-יְהוָה אֶל-יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּיַד מְלֹאכֵי: ב אֶהְבֵּתִי אֶתְכֶם  
אָמַר יְהוָה וְאִמְרַתְּם בְּמָה אֶהְבַּתְנוּ הַלּוֹא-אָח עָשׂוּ לִיעֲקֹב נְאֻם-יְהוָה  
וְאֶהָב אֶת-יְעֲקֹב: ג וְאֶת-עָשׂוּ שִׁנֵּאתִי וְאֲשִׁים אֶת-הָרִיו שְׂמֵמָה  
וְאֶת-נַחְלָתוֹ לְתַנּוֹת מִדְּבַר: ד כִּי-תֹאמַר אֲדוֹם רְשָׁשׁנוּ וְנָשׁוּב  
וְנִבְנֶה חֲרֻבוֹת כֹּה אָמַר יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת הֵמָּה יִבְנוּ וְאֲנִי אֶהְרֹס וְקָרָאוּ  
לָהֶם גְּבוּל רְשָׁעָה וְהָעַם אֲשֶׁר-זָעַם יְהוָה עַד-עוֹלָם: ה וְעֵינֵיכֶם  
תִּרְאִינָה וְאַתֶּם תֹּאמְרוּ יִגְדַל יְהוָה מֵעַל לְגְבוּל יִשְׂרָאֵל: ו בֶּן יִכְבֹּד  
אָב וְעֶבֶד אֲדָנָיו וְאִם-אָב אֲנִי אֵינִי כְבוֹדֵי וְאִם-אֲדוֹנִים אֲנִי אֵינִי  
מוֹרְאֵי אָמַר | יְהוָה צְבָאוֹת לָכֶם הַכֹּהֲנִים בּוֹזֵי שְׁמִי וְאִמְרַתְּם בְּמָה  
בְּזִינוּ אֶת-שְׁמִי:

<sup>1</sup> The message of the Eternal to Israel through Malachi: <sup>2</sup> “I have loved you!” says the Eternal One. But you say, “How have You shown Your love for us?” “Is not Esau Jacob’s brother?” says the Eternal One, “But I have loved Jacob, <sup>3</sup> and hated Esau—making his hills a desolation, giving his heritage to jackals.” <sup>4</sup> Were Edom to say: “We are shattered, but we shall rebuild the ruins,” the God of heaven’s hosts would say, “They may build, but I will tear down.” People shall call them the Evil Territory, the people whom God has cursed forever. <sup>5</sup> Your own eyes shall see this, and you shall say, “God is great [even] beyond the borders of Israel!” <sup>6</sup> “Children honor their parents; servants, their masters. Now, if I am a parent to you—where is the honor owed to Me? If I am your master—where is the reverence owed to Me?”—says the God of heaven’s host to you, the priests who despise My Name, And yet you say, “How have we despised Your name?”