

## "Give ear"

Give ear, O heavens, and I will speak! Let the earth hear the words of my mouth.

Deuteronomy 32:1



In Parsha Haazinu—we “read” or “sing”! the song that Moses came and spoke in the ears of the people. Moses’ beautiful song is words of life told to all Israel to put in their hearts, “as witness against you today—that you may command your children to keep and do all the words of this Torah” (Deut. 32:46). *L’ dor v’dor*, from generation to generation! It is his song on the last day of his earthly life. How poignant and even fragrant it is to hear this song today!! In the week after *Shabbat Shuvah*, the Sabbath of Return, and coming just after the feasts and fasts of the High Holidays which end in Yom Kippur.

On a personal note, I feel these words so close. The song speaks of how God’s children will go away from Him and return to Him. As in the words of this week’s Haftarah, I was one who “ignored and forget The Rock who birthed me” for most of my adult life until my “return”. I was found when I was not even seeking Him, He became visible to me who didn’t even ask for Him (Romans 10:20, Isaiah 65:1). The LORD saw it all, His words are in hearing distance of “all who have ears to hear”. It was His plan even before the Creation to set into place a Deliverer who would atone for our sins and bring us back to Him. May our children and loved ones know “Our Rock”. May they abide in the true vine Yeshua and know He is the Resurrection and Life (John 11:25)!! Let us all sing His praises in this season of *Teshuvah* (Return). For our families, for all of Israel, May we hear the song of the Torah, and the voice of the Bridegroom, with prayers that all return, be healed and be saved!

*Praise*

Let heaven and earth praise Him, the seas and everything moving in them. Psalm 69:35

For I proclaim the name of the LORD, ascribe greatness to our God! The Rock! His work is perfect, For all His ways are just. A God of faithfulness and without injustice, righteous and upright is He. Deuteronomy 32:3~4

ADONAI is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer. My God is my rock, in Him I take refuge, my shield, my horn of salvation, my stronghold and my refuge, my Savior—You save me from violence. 2 Samuel 22:2~3

As for God, His way is perfect. The word of the LORD is pure. He is a shield to all who take refuge in Him. Psalm 18:31 (2Samuel 22:31)

You should not be surprised at my saying, ‘You must be born again!’ John 3:7

*Confession*

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 1John 1:9 (cf: The LORD has rewarded me for my righteousness. According to the cleanness of my hands He has recompensed me. 2 Samuel 22: 21)

*Thanksgiving*

Let us come before Him with thanksgiving. Let us shout joyfully to Him with songs. Psalm 95:2

### Intercession

May the LORD surround ....., care for ....., guard ..... as the pupil of His eye. Like an eagle that stirs up its nest, that hovers over its young, may He spread His wings and catch ....., lift him/her up on His pinions. May the LORD alone guide ....., and there will be no foreign god with .....

~praying from Moses' song from Deuteronomy 32:10~12

In .....’s distress, may he/she know that he/she can call upon the LORD. May ..... call upon her God in all times. In times of distress or difficulty, we pray for ..... that LORD reach down from on high and take hold of ..... and draw him/her out of mighty waters. May He always be.....’s support, and bring ..... out to a wide-open place. May He rescue ..... because He delights in ..... May the LORD be.....’s lamp, may He shine in his/her darkness. ~from David’s song to the LORD in 2 Samuel 22:7,17, 19~20, 29

May Yeshua open .....’s ears to hear!! As the mans ears were opened when Yeshua looked up to heaven and “says to the man, “Ephphatha”, which means “Be opened”! As such, may.....’s ears be opened, his/her tongue be loosened, and may he/she begin to speak plainly. ~from Mark 7:34~35



Shana Tova!

Happy New Year!

### Teachers

He opens the ears of men and seals their instruction. Job 33:16

### Schools

Give ear, my people, to my teaching. Turn your ears to the words of my mouth {...} so that the next generation might know, even the children yet to be born; they will arise and tell their children.

Psalms 78:1, 6

### Congregation

Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge.

Proverbs 23:12

### Israel

I called upon You, O God, for You will answer me. Incline your ear to me, hear my speech. Be wonderful with Your lovingkindness, O Savior of those taking refuge at Your right hand from those rising up against them. Protect me like the pupil of the eye. Hide me in the shadow of Your wings, from the wicked who attack me—my enemies who surround me. Psalms 17:6~9

Give ear, Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock. You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth! Psalms 80:2

Your ears will hear a word behind you, “This is the way, walk in it,” whenever you turn to the right or to the left. Isaiah 30:21

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem— May those who love you be at peace! Psalms 122:6

### Blessing to go

But blessed are your eyes, because they see; and your ears, because they hear. Matthew 13:16