

## B'reisheet

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### Complete Jewish Bible

#### Genesis 1

**1** In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. **2** The earth was unformed and void, darkness was on the face of the deep, and the Spirit of God hovered over the surface of the water. **3** Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. **4** God saw that the light was good, and God divided the light from the darkness. **5** God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. So there was evening, and there was morning, one day. **6** God said, "Let there be a dome in the middle of the water; let it divide the water from the water." **7** God made the dome and divided the water under the dome from the water above the dome; that is how it was, **8** and God called the dome Sky. So there was evening, and there was morning, a second day. **9** God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered together into one place, and let dry land appear," and that is how it was. **10** God called the dry land Earth, the gathering together of the water he called Seas, and God saw that it was good. **11** God said, "Let the earth put forth grass, seed-producing plants, and fruit trees, each yielding its own kind of seed-bearing fruit, on the earth"; and that is how it was. **12** The earth brought forth grass, plants each yielding its own kind of seed, and trees each producing its own kind of seed-bearing fruit; and God saw that it was good. **13** So there was evening, and there was morning, a third day. **14** God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to divide the day from the night; let them be for signs, seasons, days and years; **15** and let them be for lights in the dome of the sky to give light to the earth"; and that is how it was. **16** God made the two great lights - the larger light to rule the day and the smaller light to rule the night - and the stars. **17** God put them in the dome of the sky to give light to the earth, **18** to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good. **19** So there was evening, and there was morning, a fourth day. **20** God said, "Let the water swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth in the open dome of the sky." **21** God created the great sea creatures and every living thing that creeps, so that the water swarmed with all kinds of them, and there was every kind of winged bird; and God saw that it was good. **22** Then God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful, multiply and fill the water of the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." **23** So there was evening, and there was morning, a fifth day. **24** God said, "Let the earth bring forth each kind of living creature -each kind of livestock, crawling animal and wild beast"; and that is how it was. **25** God made each kind of wild beast, each kind of livestock and every kind of animal that crawls along the ground; and God saw that it was good. **26** Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, in the likeness of ourselves; and let them rule over the fish in the sea, the birds in the air, the animals, and over all the earth, and over every crawling creature that crawls on the earth." **27** So God created humankind in his own image; in the image of God he created him: male and female he created them. **28** God blessed them: God said to them, "Be fruitful, multiply, fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea, the birds in the air and every living creature that crawls on the earth." **29** Then God said, "Here! Throughout the whole earth I am giving you as food every seed-bearing plant and every tree with seed-bearing fruit. **30** And to every wild animal, bird in the air

and creature crawling on the earth, in which there is a living soul, I am giving as food every kind of green plant." And that is how it was. **31** God saw everything that he had made, and indeed it was very good. So there was evening, and there was morning, a sixth day.

## **Genesis 2**

**1** Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, along with everything in them. **2** On the seventh day God was finished with his work which he had made, so he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. **3** God blessed the seventh day and separated it as holy; because on that day God rested from all his work which he had created, so that it itself could produce. **4** Here is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created. On the day when ADONAI, God, made earth and heaven, **5** there was as yet no wild bush on the earth, and no wild plant had as yet sprung up; for ADONAI, God, had not caused it to rain on the earth, and there was no one to cultivate the ground. **6** Rather, a mist went up from the earth which watered the entire surface of the ground. **7** Then ADONAI, God, formed a person [Hebrew: adam] from the dust of the ground [Hebrew: adamah] and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, so that he became a living being. **8** ADONAI, God, planted a garden toward the east, in 'Eden, and there he put the person whom he had formed. **9** Out of the ground ADONAI, God, caused to grow every tree pleasing in appearance and good for food, including the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. **10** A river went out of 'Eden to water the garden, and from there it divided into four streams. **11** The name of the first is Pishon; it winds throughout the land of Havilah, where there is gold. **12** The gold of that land is good; aromatic resin and onyx stone are also found there. **13** The name of the second river is Gichon; it winds throughout the land of Kush. **14** The name of the third river is Tigris; it is the one that flows toward the east of Ashur. The fourth river is the Euphrates. **15** ADONAI, God, took the person and put him in the garden of 'Eden to cultivate and care for it. **16** ADONAI, God, gave the person this order: "You may freely eat from every tree in the garden **17** except the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. You are not to eat from it, because on the day that you eat from it, it will become certain that you will die." **18** ADONAI, God, said, "It isn't good that the person should be alone. I will make for him a companion suitable for helping him." **19** So from the ground ADONAI, God, formed every wild animal and every bird that flies in the air, and he brought them to the person to see what he would call them. Whatever the person would call each living creature, that was to be its name. **20** So the person gave names to all the livestock, to the birds in the air and to every wild animal. But for Adam there was not found a companion suitable for helping him. **21** Then God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the person; and while he was sleeping, he took one of his ribs and closed up the place from which he took it with flesh. **22** The rib which ADONAI, God, had taken from the person, he made a woman-person; and he brought her to the man-person. **23** The man-person said, "At last! This is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh. She is to be called Woman [Hebrew: ishah], because she was taken out of Man [Hebrew: ish]." **24** This is why a man is to leave his father and mother and stick with his wife, and they are to be one flesh. **25** They were both naked, the man and his wife, and they were not ashamed.

## **Genesis 3**

**1** Now the serpent was more crafty than any wild animal which ADONAI, God, had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You are not to eat from any tree in the garden?'" **2** The woman answered the serpent, "We may eat from the fruit of the trees of the garden, **3** but about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden God said, 'You are neither to eat from it nor touch

it, or you will die." **4** The serpent said to the woman, "It is not true that you will surely die; **5** because God knows that on the day you eat from it, your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." **6** When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it had a pleasing appearance and that the tree was desirable for making one wise, she took some of its fruit and ate. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her; and he ate. **7** Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized that they were naked. So they sewed fig leaves together to make themselves loincloths. **8** They heard the voice of ADONAI, God, walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, so the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of ADONAI, God, among the trees in the garden. **9** ADONAI, God, called to the man, "Where are you?" **10** He answered, "I heard your voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself." **11** He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree from which I ordered you not to eat?" **12** The man replied, "The woman you gave to be with me - she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate." **13** ADONAI, God, said to the woman, "What is this you have done?" The woman answered, "The serpent tricked me, so I ate." **14** ADONAI, God, said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, you are cursed more than all livestock and wild animals. You will crawl on your belly and eat dust as long as you live. **15** I will put animosity between you and the woman, and between your descendant and her descendant; he will bruise your head, and you will bruise his heel." **16** To the woman he said, "I will greatly increase your pain in childbirth. You will bring forth children in pain. Your desire will be toward your husband, but he will rule over you." **17** To Adam he said, "Because you listened to what your wife said and ate from the tree about which I gave you the order, 'You are not to eat from it,' the ground is cursed on your account; you will work hard to eat from it as long as you live. **18** It will produce thorns and thistles for you, and you will eat field plants. **19** You will eat bread by the sweat of your forehead till you return to the ground - for you were taken out of it: you are dust, and you will return to dust." **20** The man called his wife Havah [life], because she was the mother of all living. **21** ADONAI, God, made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them. **22** ADONAI, God, said, "See, the man has become like one of us, knowing good and evil. Now, to prevent his putting out his hand and taking also from the tree of life, eating, and living forever -" **23** therefore ADONAI, God, sent him out of the garden of 'Eden to cultivate the ground from which he was taken. **24** So he drove the man out, and he placed at the east of the garden of 'Eden the k'ruvim and a flaming sword which turned in every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

## **Genesis 4**

**1** The man had sexual relations with Havah his wife; she conceived, gave birth to Kayin [acquisition] and said, "I have acquired a man from ADONAI." **2** In addition she gave birth to his brother Hevel. Hevel kept sheep, while Kayin worked the soil. **3** In the course of time Kayin brought an offering to ADONAI from the produce of the soil; **4** and Hevel too brought from the firstborn of his sheep, including their fat. ADONAI accepted Hevel and his offering **5** but did not accept Kayin and his offering. Kayin was very angry, and his face fell. **6** ADONAI said to Kayin, "Why are you angry? Why so downcast? **7** If you are doing what is good, shouldn't you hold your head high? And if you don't do what is good, sin is crouching at the door - it wants you, but you can rule over it." **8** Kayin had words with Hevel his brother; then one time, when they were in the field, Kayin turned on Hevel his brother and killed him. **9** ADONAI said to Kayin, "Where is Hevel your brother?" And he replied, "I don't know; am I my brother's guardian?" **10** He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying out to me from the ground! **11** Now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood at your hands. **12** When you farm the ground it will no longer yield its strength to you. You will be a

fugitive, wandering the earth." **13** Kayin said to ADONAI, "My punishment is greater than I can bear. **14** You are banning me today from the land and from your presence. I will be a fugitive wandering the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me." **15** ADONAI answered him, "Therefore, whoever kills Kayin will receive vengeance sevenfold," and ADONAI put a sign on Kayin, so that no one who found him would kill him. **16** So Kayin left the presence of ADONAI and lived in the land of Nod [wandering], east of 'Eden. **17** Kayin had sexual relations with his wife; she conceived and gave birth to Hanokh. Kayin built a city and named the city after his son Hanokh. **18** To Hanokh was born 'Irada. 'Irada fathered Mechuya'el, Mechuya'el fathered Metusha'el, and Metusha'el fathered Lemekh. **19** Lemekh took himself two wives; the name of the one was 'Adah, while the name of the other was Tzilah. **20** 'Adah gave birth to Yaval; he was the ancestor of those who live in tents and have cattle. **21** His brother's name was Yuval; and he was the ancestor of all who play lyre and flute. **22** Tzilah gave birth to Tuval-Kayin, who forged all kinds of tools from brass and iron; the sister of Tuval-Kayin was Na'amah. **23** Lemekh said to his wives, "Adah and Tzilah, listen to me; wives of Lemekh, hear what I say: I killed a man for wounding me, a young man who injured me. **24** If Kayin will be avenged sevenfold, then Lemekh seventy-sevenfold!" **25** Adam again had sexual relations with his wife, and she gave birth to a son whom she named Shet [granted], "For God has granted me another seed in place of Hevel, since Kayin killed him." **26** To Shet too was born a son, whom he called Enosh. That is when people began to call on the name of ADONAI.

## Genesis 5

**1** Here is the genealogy of Adam. On the day that God created man he made him in the likeness of God; **2** he created them male and female; he blessed them and called them Adam [humankind, man] on the day they were created. **3** After Adam lived 130 years he fathered a son like himself and named him Shet. **4** After Shet was born, Adam lived another 800 years and had both sons and daughters. **5** In all, Adam lived 930 years, and then he died. **6** Shet lived 105 years and fathered Enosh. **7** After Enosh was born, Shet lived another 807 years and had sons and daughters. **8** In all, Shet lived 912 years; then he died. **9** Enosh lived ninety years and fathered Kenan. **10** After Kenan was born, Enosh lived another 815 years and had sons and daughters. **11** In all, Enosh lived 905 years; then he died. **12** Kenan lived seventy years and fathered Mahalal'el. **13** After Mahalal'el was born, Kenan lived another 840 years and had sons and daughters. **14** In all, Kenan lived 910 years; then he died. **15** Mahalal'el lived sixty-five years and fathered Yered. **16** After Yered was born, Mahalal'el lived another 830 years and had sons and daughters. **17** In all, Mahalal'el lived 895 years; then he died. **18** Yered lived 162 years and fathered Hanokh. **19** After Hanokh was born, Yered lived 800 years and had sons and daughters. **20** In all, Yered lived 962 years; then he died. **21** Hanokh lived sixty-five years and fathered Metushelach. **22** After Metushelach was born, Hanokh walked with God 300 years and had sons and daughters. **23** In all, Hanokh lived 365 years. **24** Hanokh walked with God, and then he wasn't there, because God took him. **25** Metushelach lived 187 years and fathered Lemekh. **26** After Lemekh was born, Metushelach lived 782 years and had sons and daughters. **27** In all, Metushelach lived 969 years; then he died. **28** Lemekh lived 182 years and fathered a son, **29** whom he called Noach [restful]; for he said, "This one will comfort us in our labor, in the hard work we do with our hands [to get what comes] from the ground that ADONAI cursed." **30** After Noach was born, Lemekh lived 595 years and had sons and daughters. **31** In all, Lemekh lived 777 years; then he died. **32** Noach was 500 years old; and Noach fathered Shem, Ham and Yefet.

## Genesis 6

**1** In time, when men began to multiply on earth, and daughters were born to them, **2** the sons of God saw that the daughters of men were attractive; and they took wives for themselves, whomever they chose. **3** ADONAI said, "My Spirit will not live in human beings forever, for they too are flesh; therefore their life span is to be 120 years." **4** The N'filim were on the earth in those days, and also afterwards, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of men, and they bore children to them; these were the ancient heroes, men of renown. **5** ADONAI saw that the people on earth were very wicked, that all the imaginings of their hearts were always of evil only. **6** ADONAI regretted that he had made humankind on the earth; it grieved his heart. **7** ADONAI said, "I will wipe out humankind, whom I have created, from the whole earth; and not only human beings, but animals, creeping things and birds in the air; for I regret that I ever made them." **8** But Noah found grace in the sight of ADONAI.

## Isaiah 42:5

**5** Thus says God, ADONAI, who created the heavens and spread them out, who stretched out the earth and all that grows from it, who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk on it: **6** "I, ADONAI, called you righteously, I took hold of you by the hand, I shaped you and made you a covenant for the people, to be a light for the Goyim, **7** so that you can open blind eyes, free the prisoners from confinement, those living in darkness from the dungeon. **8** I am ADONAI; that is my name. I yield my glory to no one else, nor my praise to any idol. **9** See how the former predictions come true; and now new things do I declare - before they sprout I tell you about them." **10** Sing to ADONAI a new song! Let his praise be sung from the ends of the earth by those sailing the sea and by everything in it, by the coastlands and those living there. **11** Let the desert and its cities raise their voices, the villages where Kedar lives; let those living in Sela shout for joy; let them cry out from the mountaintops! **12** Let them give glory to ADONAI and proclaim his praise in the coastlands. **13** ADONAI will go out like a soldier, like a soldier roused to the fury of battle; he will shout, yes, he raises the battle cry; as he triumphs over his foes. **14** "For a long time I have held my peace, I have been silent, restrained myself. Now I will shriek like a woman in labor, panting and gasping for air. **15** I will devastate mountains and hills, wither all their vegetation, turn the rivers into islands and dry up the lakes. **16** The blind I will lead on a road they don't know, on roads they don't know I will lead them; I will turn darkness to light before them, and straighten their twisted paths. These are things I will do without fail. **17** Those who trust in idols, who say to statues, 'You are our gods,' will be repulsed in utter shame. **18** Listen, you deaf! Look, you blind! - so that you will see! **19** Who is as blind as my servant, or as deaf as the messenger I send? Who is as blind as the one I rewarded, as blind as the servant of ADONAI?" **20** You see much but don't pay attention; you open your ears, but you don't listen. **21** ADONAI was pleased, for his righteousness' sake, to make the Torah great and glorious. **22** But this is a people pillaged and plundered, all trapped in holes and sequestered in prisons. They are there to be plundered, with no one to rescue them; there to be pillaged, and no one says, "Return them!" **23** Which of you will listen to this? Who will hear and give heed in the times to come? **24** Who gave Ya'akov to be pillaged, Isra'el to the plunderers? Didn't ADONAI, against whom we have sinned, in whose ways they refused to walk, he whose Torah they did not obey? **25** This is why he poured on him his blazing anger as well as the fury of battle - it wrapped him in flames, yet he learned nothing; it burned him, yet he did not take it to heart.

## Isaiah 43:1-10

**1** But now this is what ADONAI says, he who created you, Ya'akov, he who formed you, Isra'el: "Don't be afraid, for I have redeemed you; I am calling you by your name; you are mine. **2** When you pass through water, I will be with you; when you pass through rivers, they will not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire, you will not be scorched - the flame will not burn you. **3** For I am ADONAI, your God, the Holy One of Isra'el, your Savior - I have given Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and S'va for you. **4** Because I regard you as valued and honored, and because I love you. For you I will give people, nations in exchange for your life. **5** Don't be afraid, for I am with you. I will bring your descendants from the east, and I will gather you from the west; **6** I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Don't hold them back! Bring my sons from far away, and my daughters from the ends of the earth, **7** everyone who bears my name, whom I created for my glory - I formed him, yes, I made him.'" **8** Bring forward the people who are blind but have eyes, also the deaf who have ears. **9** All the nations are gathered together, and the peoples are assembled. Who among them can proclaim this and reveal what happened in the past? Let them bring their witnesses to justify themselves, so that others, on hearing, can say, "That's true." **10** "You are my witnesses," says ADONAI, "and my servant whom I have chosen, so that you can know and trust me and understand that I am he no god was produced before me, nor will any be after me.

### **Luke 3:23-38**

**23** Yeshua was about thirty years old when he began his public ministry. It was supposed that he was a son of Yosef who was of Eli, **24** of Mattat, of Levi, of Malki, of Yannai, of Yosef, **25** of Mattityahu, of Amotz, of Nachum, of Hesli, of Naggai, **26** of Machat, of Mattityahu, of Shim`i, of Yosef, of Yodah, **27** of Yochanan, of Reisha, of Z'rubavel, of Sh'altiel, of Neri, **28** of Malki, of Addi, of Kosam, of Elmadan, of Er, **29** of Yeshua, of Eli`ezer, of Yoram, of Mattat, of Levi, **30** of Shim`on, of Y'hudah, of Yosef, of Yonam, of Elyakim, **31** of Mal'ah, of Manah, of Mattatah, of Natan, of David, **32** of Yishai, of `Oved, of Bo`az, of Salmon, of Nachshon, **33** of Amminadav, of Admin, of Arni, of Hetzron, of Peretz, of Y'hudah, **34** of Ya`akov, of Yitz'chak, of Avraham, of Terach, of Nachor, **35** of S'rug, of Re`u, of Peleg, of `Ever, of Shelah, **36** of Keinan, of Arpakhshad, of Shem, of Noach, of Lemekh, **37** of Metushelach, of Hanokh, of Yered, of Mahalal'el, of Keinan, **38** of Enosh, of Shet, of Adam, of God.

### **Luke 10:1-12**

**1** After this, the Lord appointed seventy other talmidim and sent them on ahead in pairs to every town and place where he himself was about to go. **2** He said to them, "To be sure, there is a large harvest. But there are few workers. Therefore, plead with the Lord of the Harvest that he speed workers out to gather in his harvest. **3** Get going now, but pay attention! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. **4** Don't carry a money-belt or a pack, and don't stop to shmooze with people on the road. **5** "Whenever you enter a house, first say, `Shalom!' to the household. **6** If a seeker of shalom is there, your `Shalom!' will find its rest with him; and if there isn't, it will return to you. **7** Stay in that same house, eating and drinking what they offer, for a worker deserves his wages -- don't move about from house to house. **8** "Whenever you come into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is put in front of you. **9** Heal the sick there, and tell them, `The Kingdom of God is near you.' **10** But whenever you enter a town and they don't make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, **11** `Even the dust of your town that sticks to our feet we wipe off as a sign against you! But understand this: the Kingdom of God is near!' **12** I tell you, it will be more tolerable on the Day of Judgment for S'dom than for that town.

## **Romans 5:12-21**

**12** Here is how it works: it was through one individual that sin entered the world, and through sin, death; and in this way death passed through to the whole human race, inasmuch as everyone sinned. **13** Sin was indeed present in the world before Torah was given, but sin is not counted as such when there is no Torah. **14** Nevertheless death ruled from Adam until Moshe, even over those whose sinning was not exactly like Adam's violation of a direct command. In this, Adam prefigured the one who was to come. **15** But the free gift is not like the offence. For if, because of one man's offence, many died, then how much more has God's grace, that is, the gracious gift of one man, Yeshua the Messiah, overflowed to many! **16** No, the free gift is not like what resulted from one man's sinning; for from one sinner came judgment that brought condemnation; but the free gift came after many offences and brought acquittal. **17** For if, because of the offence of one man, death ruled through that one man; how much more will those receiving the overflowing grace, that is, the gift of being considered righteous, rule in life through the one man Yeshua the Messiah! **18** In other words, just as it was through one offence that all people came under condemnation, so also it is through one righteous act that all people come to be considered righteous. **19** For just as through the disobedience of the one man, many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the other man, many will be made righteous. **20** And the Torah came into the picture so that the offence would proliferate; but where sin proliferated, grace proliferated even more. **21** All this happened so that just as sin ruled by means of death, so also grace might rule through causing people to be considered righteous, so that they might have eternal life, through Yeshua the Messiah, our Lord.

## **Ephesians 5:21-32**

**21** Submit to one another in fear of the Messiah. **22** Wives should submit to their husbands as they do to the Lord; **23** because the husband is head of the wife, just as the Messiah, as head of the Messianic Community, is himself the one who keeps the body safe. **24** Just as the Messianic Community submits to the Messiah, so also wives should submit to their husbands in everything. **25** As for husbands, love your wives, just as the Messiah loved the Messianic Community, indeed, gave himself up on its behalf, **26** in order to set it apart for God, making it clean through immersion in the mikveh, so to speak, **27** in order to present the Messianic Community to himself as a bride to be proud of, without a spot, wrinkle or any such thing, but holy and without defect. **28** This is how husbands ought to love their wives - like their own bodies; for the man who loves his wife is loving himself. **29** Why, no one ever hated his own flesh! On the contrary, he feeds it well and takes care of it, just as the Messiah does the Messianic Community, **30** because we are parts of his Body. **31** "Therefore a man will leave his father and mother and remain with his wife, and the two will become one." **32** There is profound truth hidden here, which I say concerns the Messiah and the Messianic Community. **33** However, the text also applies to each of you individually: let each man love his wife as he does himself, and see that the wife respects her husband.

## **Hebrews 3:7-19**

**7** Therefore, as the Ruach HaKodesh says, "Today, if you hear God's voice, **8** don't harden your hearts, as you did in the Bitter Quarrel on that day in the Wilderness when you put God to the test. **9** Yes, your fathers put me to the test; they challenged me, and they saw my work for forty years! **10** Therefore, I was disgusted with that generation I said, 'Their hearts are always going

astray, they have not understood how I do things'; **11** in my anger, I swore that they would not enter my rest." **12** Watch out, brothers, so that there will not be in any one of you an evil heart lacking trust, which could lead you to apostatize from the living God! **13** Instead, keep exhorting each other every day, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you will become hardened by the deceit of sin. **14** For we have become sharers in the Messiah, provided, however, that we hold firmly to the conviction we began with, right through until the goal is reached. **15** Now where it says, "Today, if you hear God's voice, don't harden your hearts, as you did in the Bitter Quarrel," **16** who were the people who, after they heard, quarreled so bitterly? All those whom Moshe brought out of Egypt. **17** And with whom was God disgusted for forty years? Those who sinned - yes, they fell dead in the Wilderness! **18** And to whom was it that he swore that they would not enter his rest? Those who were disobedient. **19** So we see that they were unable to enter because of lack of trust.

### **Hebrews 4:1-11**

**1** Therefore, let us be terrified of the possibility that, even though the promise of entering his rest remains, any one of you might be judged to have fallen short of it; **2** for Good News has also been proclaimed to us, just as it was to them. But the message they heard didn't do them any good, because those who heard it did not combine it with trust. **3** For it is we who have trusted who enter the rest. It is just as he said, "And in my anger, I swore that they would not enter my rest." He swore this even though his works have been in existence since the founding of the universe. **4** For there is a place where it is said, concerning the seventh day, "And God rested on the seventh day from all his works." **5** And once more, our present text says, "They will not enter my rest." **6** Therefore, since it still remains for some to enter it, and those who received the Good News earlier did not enter, **7** he again fixes a certain day, "Today," saying through David, so long afterwards, in the text already given, "Today, if you hear God's voice, don't harden your hearts." **8** For if Y'hoshua had given them rest, God would not have spoken later of another "day." **9** So there remains a Shabbat-keeping for God's people. **10** For the one who has entered God's rest has also rested from his own works, as God did from his. **11** Therefore, let us do our best to enter that rest; so that no one will fall short because of the same kind of disobedience.

### **Hebrews 11:1-7**

**1** Trusting is being confident of what we hope for, convinced about things we do not see. **2** It was for this that Scripture attested the merit of the people of old. **3** By trusting, we understand that the universe was created through a spoken word of God, so that what is seen did not come into being out of existing phenomena. **4** By trusting, Hevel offered a greater sacrifice than Kayin; because of this, he was attested as righteous, with God giving him this testimony on the ground of his gifts. Through having trusted, he still continues to speak, even though he is dead. **5** By trusting, Hanokh was taken away from this life without seeing death - "He was not to be found, because God took him away" - for he has been attested as having been, prior to being taken away, well pleasing to God. **6** And without trusting, it is impossible to be well pleasing to God, because whoever approaches him must trust that he does exist and that he becomes a Rewarder to those who seek him out. **7** By trusting, Noach, after receiving divine warning about things as yet unseen, was filled with holy fear and built an ark to save his household. Through this trusting, he put the world under condemnation and received the righteousness that comes from trusting. **8** By trusting, Avraham obeyed, after being called to go out to a place which God would give him as a possession; indeed, he went out without knowing where he was going. **9** By trusting, he lived as a

temporary resident in the Land of the promise, as if it were not his, staying in tents with Yitz'chak and Ya'akov, who were to receive what was promised along with him. **10** For he was looking forward to the city with permanent foundations, of which the architect and builder is God. **11** By trusting, he received potency to father a child, even when he was past the age for it, as was Sarah herself; because he regarded the One who had made the promise as trustworthy.