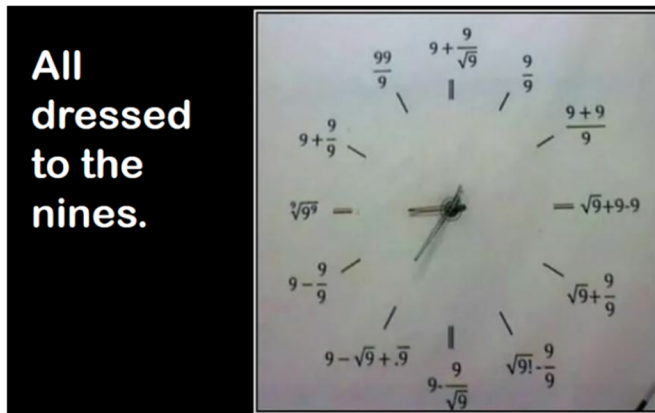




[You've heard the expression, "All dressed to the nines."]



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- Equivalently, what is the Rabbi's vision?

That is my main job, to bear and communicate the vision of Or HaOlam. Where are we going, or trying to go?



D'varim (Deuteronomy) 34:1

וַיַּעַל מֹשֶׁה מִמִּישְׁתַּי מוֹאָב אֶל־הָר נֹבֹה רֹאשׁ הַפְּסִגָּה אֲשֶׁר עַל־פְּנֵי

Moshe ascended from the plains of Mo'av to Mount N'vo, to the summit of Pisgah, across from Yericho.

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וַיִּרְאֵהוּ יְיָ אֶת־כָּל־הָאָרֶץ אֶת־הַגְּלִלָּה עַד־דָּן :

There Adoni showed him all the land — Gil'ad as far as Dan,

D'varim (Deuteronomy) 34:2

וְאֵת כָּל־נַפְתָּלִי וְאֶת־אֶרֶץ אֶפְרַיִם וּמְנַשֶּׁה וְאֵת כָּל־אֶרֶץ יְהוּדָה עַד הַיָּם הָאֲחֵרוֹן :

all Naftali, the land of Efrayim and M'nasheh, the land of Y'hudah all the way to the sea beyond,

D'varim (Deuteronomy) 34:3

וְאֶת־הַנֶּגֶב וְאֶת־הַכְּפָר בְּקִעַת יְרֵחוֹ עֵיר הַתְּמָרִים עַד־צָעַר :

the Negev, and the 'Aravah, including the valley where Yericho, the City of Date-Palms, as far away as Tzo'ar.

D'varim (Deuteronomy) 34:4

וַיֹּאמֶר יְיָ אֱלֹהֵי זֶה אֶת־הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר נִשְׁבַּעְתִּי לְאַבְרָהָם לְיִצְחָק וּלְיַעֲקֹב לֵאמֹר

Adoni said to him, "This is the land concerning which I swore to Avraham, Yitz'chak and Ya'akov,

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'I will give it to your descendants.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over there."

J.H. Hertz, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire, Pentateuch and Haftorahs Commentary, 1937
[Pew Bible of the synagogues of my youth.]

*even Gilead as far as Dan. Better, all the land—
Gilead unto Dan (G. A. Smith).*

In the clear air of Palestine, he saw the Land lying before him. From the top of Pisgah all Western Palestine is in sight—the undulating forests of Southern Gilead, the snow-clad top of Hermon, mounts Tabor and Gilboa, Ebal and Gerizim, the heights of Benjamin and Judah, the Mount of Olives, and Zion, Bethlehem and Hebron and Beersheba. Sifri states that

[It was the British Palestine Mandate in 1937.

Sifri ; מִדְרָשׁ Midrash halakhah, or classical Jewish legal Biblical exegesis.]

Hebron and Beersheba. Sifri states that Moses was given something more than a mere physical glimpse of the Holy Land. He was shown all the land of Israel as it then was in its prosperity, and as it would be in the days of its adversity. He was given a prophetic vision of the main episodes in the future history of Israel; so that he saw Samson and Gideon, Deborah and David, taking up his unfinished task of leadership, and was vouchsafed a vision of all that would happen unto Israel till the Judgment Day.

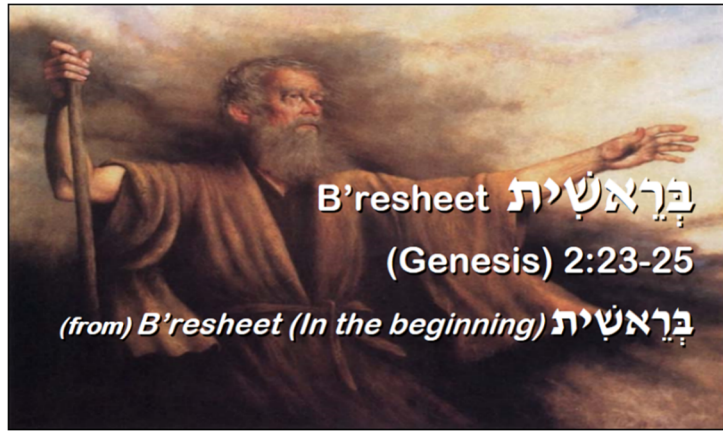
[By extension, Moshe's vision from the time of his coming to maturity, to lead Israel to their destiny.

Tried fulfill it in the flesh, exile, Burning Bush...etc.

Saw Yeshua??]

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B'resheet (Genesis) 2:23

וַיֹּאמֶר הָאָדָם זֹאת הִפְעֵם עָצָם מֵעַצְמִי וּבָשָׂר

The man-person said, "At last! This is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh.

[Creation all done at last, this is what I was hoping for!!]

B'resheet (Genesis) 2:23

יִקְרָא אִשָּׁה כִּי מֵאִישׁ לְקַחְהָ זָאת:

She is to be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

B'resheet (Genesis) 2:24

עַל־כֵּן יַעֲזֹב אִישׁ אֶת־אָבִיו וְאֶת־אִמּוֹ וְדָבַק בְּאִשְׁתּוֹ וְהָיוּ לְבָשָׂר אֶחָד:

This is why a man is to leave his father and mother and stick with his wife, and they are to be one flesh.

B'resheet (Genesis) 2:25

וְהָיוּ שְׁנֵיהֶם עָרוּמִים הָאָדָם וְאִשְׁתּוֹ וְלֹא יִתְבַּשְׂשׁוּ:

They were both naked, the man and his wife, and they were not ashamed.

Adam had a vision, a hope, an expectation, anticipation of delight, loveliness, beauty, joy, intimacy, friendship, earthly paradise.

John Milton, *Paradise Lost*

Paradise Lost is an epic poem in blank verse by the 17th-century English poet John Milton. The first version, published in 1667, consisted of ten books with over ten thousand lines of verse.

[English literary classic, so boring to most of you, yet pinnacle of prose, describing Adam's vision ...]

Observing none, but adoration pure Which God likes best, into their inmost bower
Handed they went; and eas'd the putting off These troublesom disguises which wee wear,
Strait side by side were laid, nor turnd ADAM from his fair Spouse, nor EVE the Rites
Mysterious of connubial Love refus'd:

Whatever Hypocrites austere talk Of puritie and place and innocence, Defaming as impure what
God declares Pure, and commands to som, leaves free to all. Our Maker bids increase, who bids
abstain But our Destroyer, foe to God and Man? Haile wedded Love, mysterious Law, true source
Of human ofspring, sole proprietie,

In Paradise of all things common else. By thee adulterous lust was driv'n from men
Among the bestial herds to raunge, by thee Founded in Reason, Loyal, Just, and Pure, Relations dear, and all
the Charities Of Father, Son, and Brother first were known. Farr be it, that I should write thee sin or
blame, Or think thee unbecfitting holiest place,

Book IV 735-760

This love of Adam and Eve's [before the Fall, in the Garden!] is not "loveless, joyless, unendeared" but instead is "loyal, just, and pure" (IV. 766, 755). After their sacred act of sex, Adam and Eve are enraptured with joy and peace. They are "lulled by nightingales" and fall asleep naked, embracing one another (IV. 771). All is perfect in Paradise, but not for long. Great vision, didn't keep it!]

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Messianic Jews/Heb. 11.13-16 **All these people kept on trusting until they died, without receiving what had been promised. They had only seen it and welcomed it from a distance, while acknowledging that they were aliens and temporary residents on the earth.**

For people who speak this way make it clear that **they are looking for a fatherland**. Now if they were to keep recalling the one they left, they would have an opportunity to return; but as it is, they aspire to a better fatherland, a heavenly one. This is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared for them a city.

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Don't know why all don't see it, get it!

"Doesn't sound very Jewish"

Divrei HaYamim 2 Chron 7.1-3 **When Shlomo had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of Adoni filled the house, so that the *cohanim* could not enter the house of Adoni; the glory of Adoni filled Adoni's house. All the people of Isra'el saw when the fire came down, and the glory of Adoni was on the house; they bowed down with their faces to the ground on the flooring; prostrating themselves, they gave thanks to Adoni, "for he is good, for his grace continues forever."**

Sukkot song:

כי טוב, כי לעולם חסדו

Congregational vision:

Working to bring Jewish people, and those grafted in, to their covenantal identity in Messiah. *[One particular obstacle to this being realized among us. Unfinished from Messiah's Birthday message on Shabbat two days ago.]*

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Zekharyah's prophecy about enemies: HaSatan, accuser.

<https://www.psychologytoday.com/us/blog/the-squeaky-wheel/201307/10-surprising-facts-about-rejection>

a. **Rejection piggybacks on physical pain pathways in the brain.**

[Eliasz Gocal-Czerwinski, adviser to the secretary-general of the International Human Rights Commission on child affairs, described the living conditions for children in southern Israel as very much a kind of emotional siege. [He] informed his guest that over 90% of children living in Sderot today suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). If the situation continues like this, Gocal-Czerwinski worries that the children of southern Israel will carry the emotional trauma all their lives. "You look at people 40–50 years old who were raised in such situations, and the constant fear for their lives, the instability becomes a part of their personality," Segal's newsletter]

MRI studies show that the same areas of the brain become activated when we experience rejection as when we experience physical pain. This is why rejection hurts so much (neurologically speaking). In fact, our brains respond so similarly to rejection and physical pain.

Rejection creates surges of anger and aggression. In 2001, the Surgeon General of the U.S. issued a report stating that rejection was a greater risk for adolescent violence than drugs, poverty, or gang membership. Countless studies have demonstrated that even mild rejections lead people to take out their aggression on innocent bystanders.

School shootings, violence against women, and fired workers going "postal" are other examples of the strong link between rejection and aggression. However, much of that aggression elicited by rejection is also turned inward.

Rejection temporarily lowers our IQ. Being asked to recall a recent rejection experience and relive the experience was enough to cause people to score significantly lower on subsequent IQ tests, tests of short-term memory, and tests of decision making. Indeed, when we are reeling from a painful rejection, thinking clearly is just not that easy.

Rejection does not respond to reason. Participants were put through an experiment in which they were rejected by strangers. The experiment was rigged — the "strangers" were confederates of the researchers.

Surprisingly, though, even being told that the "strangers" who had "rejected" them did not actually reject them did little to ease the emotional pain participants felt. Even being told that the strangers belonged to a group they despised such as the KKK did little to soothe people's hurt feelings.

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How do we get there?

How did Solomon get there?

Build the Temple

- Pray fervently and much!
- Repent deeply.
- Work with excellence
- Love ... (I Corinthians 13:6-7)

a. Love does not rejoice over injustice but rejoices in the truth; it bears all things, it believes all things, it hopes all things, it endures all things. TLV

b. Love does not gloat over other people's sins, but takes its delight in the truth. Love always bears up, always trusts, always hopes, always endures. CJB

c. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. NIV

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