

## Sh'lach, Haftarah

Joshua 2:1-24

(1) Joshua son of Nun secretly sent two spies from Shittim, saying, “Go, reconnoiter the region of Jericho.” So they set out, and they came to the house of a harlot named Rahab and lodged there. (2) The king of Jericho was told, “Some men have come here tonight, Israelites, to spy out the country.” (3) The king of Jericho thereupon sent orders to Rahab: “Produce the men who came to you and entered your house, for they have come to spy out the whole country.” (4) The woman, however, had taken the two men and hidden them. “It is true,” she said, “the men did come to me, but I didn’t know where they were from. (5) And at dark, when the gate was about to be closed, the

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(א) וַיִּשְׁלַח יְהוֹשֻׁעַ בְּנֵי-נֹון  
מִן-הַשְּׂטִיִּים שְׁנַיִם-אֲנָשִׁים מְרַגְלִים  
חָרַשׁ לֵאמֹר לְכוּ רְאוּ אֶת-הָאָרֶץ  
וְאֶת-יְרִיחוֹ וַיֵּלְכוּ וַיָּבֹאוּ בֵּית-אִשָּׁה  
זוֹנָה וּשְׂמָהּ רַחַב וַיִּשְׁכְּבוּ-שָׁמָּה:  
(ב) וַיִּנְתְּנוּ לְמַלְךְ יְרִיחוֹ לֵאמֹר  
הֲנֵה אֲנָשִׁים בָּאוּ הַלַּיְלָה  
מִבְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לַחְפֹּר אֶת-הָאָרֶץ:  
(ג) וַיִּשְׁלַח מַלְךְ יְרִיחוֹ אֶל-רַחַב  
לֵאמֹר הֲוֹצִיאי הָאֲנָשִׁים הַבָּאִים  
אֵלֶיךָ אֲשֶׁר-בָּאוּ לְבֵיתְךָ כִּי לַחְפֹּר  
אֶת-כָּל-הָאָרֶץ בָּאוּ: (ד) וַתִּקַּח  
הָאִשָּׁה אֶת-שְׁנֵי הָאֲנָשִׁים וַתַּצְפֵּנוּ  
וַתֹּאמֶר | כִּן בָּאוּ אֵלַי הָאֲנָשִׁים  
וְלֹא יָדַעְתִּי מֵאֵין הֵמָּה: (ה) וַיְהִי  
הַשָּׁעַר לְסָגוֹר בַּחֲשֹׁךְ וְהָאֲנָשִׁים  
יָצְאוּ לֹא יָדַעְתִּי אָנֹכִי הֵלְכוּ

men left; and I don't know where the men went. Quick, go after them, for you can overtake them.”— (6) Now she had taken them up to the roof and hidden them under some stalks of flax which she had lying on the roof.— (7) So the men pursued them in the direction of the Jordan down to the fords; and no sooner had the pursuers gone out than the gate was shut behind them. (8) The spies had not yet gone to sleep when she came up to them on the roof. (9) She said to the men, “I know that the LORD has given the country to you, because dread of you has fallen upon us, and all the inhabitants of the land are quaking before you. (10) For we have heard how the LORD dried up the waters of the Sea of Reeds for you when you left Egypt, and what you did to Sihon and Og, the two Amorite kings across the Jordan, whom you doomed. (11) When we heard

הָאֲנָשִׁים רָדְפוּ מֵהָר אַחֲרֵיהֶם כִּי  
 תִּשְׁיָגוּם: (ו) וְהִיא הֶעֱלָתָם הַגָּגָה  
 וְהִטְמִינָם בְּפִשְׁתֵּי הָעֵץ הָעֲרֻכּוֹת  
 לָהּ עַל־הַגָּג: (ז) וְהָאֲנָשִׁים רָדְפוּ  
 אַחֲרֵיהֶם בְּדֶרֶךְ הַיַּרְדֵּן עַל  
 הַמַּעְבְּרוֹת וְהַשָּׁעַר סָגְרוּ אַחֲרָי  
 כַּאֲשֶׁר יָצְאוּ הָרֹדְפִים אַחֲרֵיהֶם:  
 (ח) וְהָמָּה טָרַם יִשְׁכַּבּוּן וְהִיא  
 עָלְתָה עֲלֵיהֶם עַל־הַגָּג: (ט) וְתֹאמֶר  
 אֶל־הָאֲנָשִׁים יְדַעְתִּי כִּי־נָתַן יְהוָה  
 לָכֶם אֶת־הָאָרֶץ וְכִי־נִפְלְאָה  
 אֵימַתְכֶם עָלֵינוּ וְכִי נִמְגּוּ כָּל־יִשְׁבֵי  
 הָאָרֶץ מִפְּנֵיכֶם: (י) כִּי שָׁמַעְנוּ אֶת  
 אֲשֶׁר־הוֹבִישׁ יְהוָה אֶת־מִי יַם־סוּף  
 מִפְּנֵיכֶם בְּצֵאתְכֶם מִמִּצְרַיִם וְאֲשֶׁר  
 עָשִׂיתֶם לְשָׁנִי מֶלֶכִי הָאֶמְרִי אֲשֶׁר  
 בְּעֶבֶר הַיַּרְדֵּן לְסִיחֹן וּלְעוֹג אֲשֶׁר  
 הִחְרַמְתֶּם אוֹתָם: (יא) וַנִּשְׁמַע וַיִּמָּס  
 לְבָבֵנו וְלֹא־קָמָה עוֹד רוּחַ בְּאִישׁ  
 מִפְּנֵיכֶם כִּי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם הוּא  
 אֱלֹהִים בְּשָׁמַיִם מִמַּעַל וְעַל־הָאָרֶץ

about it, we lost heart, and no man had any more spirit left because of you; for the LORD your God is the only God in heaven above and on earth below. (12) Now, since I have shown loyalty to you, swear to me by the LORD that you in turn will show loyalty to my family. Provide me with a reliable sign (13) that you will spare the lives of my father and mother, my brothers and sisters, and all who belong to them, and save us from death.” (14) The men answered her, “Our persons are pledged for yours, even to death! If you do not disclose this mission of ours, we will show you true loyalty when the LORD gives us the land.” (15) She let them down by a rope through the window—for her dwelling was at the outer side of the city wall and she lived in the actual wall. (16) She said to them, “Make for the hills, so that the pursuers may not come upon you. Stay there in hiding three days,

מִתַּחַת: (יב) וְעָתָה הִשָּׁבְעוּ-נָא לִי  
 בִּיהוָה כִּי-עָשִׂיתִי עִמָּכֶם חֶסֶד  
 וְעָשִׂיתֶם גַּם-אִתָּם עִם-בֵּית אָבִי  
 חֶסֶד וּנְתַתֶּם לִי אֹת אַמַּת: (יג)  
 וְהִחַיְתֶם אֶת-אָבִי וְאֶת-אִמִּי  
 וְאֶת-אֲחֵי וְאֶת- [אֲחֵיוֹתַי] (אחותי)  
 וְאֵת כָּל-אֲשֶׁר לָהֶם וְהִצַּלְתֶּם  
 אֶת-נַפְשֹׁתֵינוּ מִמּוֹת: (יד) וַיֹּאמְרוּ  
 לָהּ הֲאֲנָשִׁים נַפְשֵׁנוּ תַחְתִּיכֶם  
 לְמוֹת אִם לֹא תִגִּידוּ אֶת-דְּבָרֵנוּ זֶה  
 וְהָיָה בְּתֵת-יְהוָה לָנוּ אֶת-הָאָרֶץ  
 וְעָשִׂינוּ עִמָּךְ חֶסֶד וְאַמַּת: (טו)  
 וְתֹרְדֶם בַּחֶבֶל בְּעַד הַחֲלוֹן כִּי  
 בֵּיתָהּ בְּקִיר הַחוּמָה וּבַחוּמָה הִיא  
 יוֹשֶׁבֶת: (טז) וַתֹּאמֶר לָהֶם הֲהָרָה  
 לָכוּ פֶן-יִפְגְּעוּ בָכֶם הַרְדָּפִים  
 וְנִחַבְתֶּם שָׁמָּה שְׁלֹשֶׁת יָמִים עַד  
 שׁוּב הַרְדָּפִים וְאַחַר תֵּלְכוּ  
 לְדַרְכְּכֶם: (יז) וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֵלֶיהָ  
 הֲאֲנָשִׁים נְקִיִּים אֲנַחְנוּ מִשְׁבַּעְתְּךָ  
 הִזֵּה אֲשֶׁר הִשָּׁבַעְתָּנוּ: (יח) הִנֵּה

until the pursuers return; then go your way.” (17) But the men warned her, “We will be released from this oath which you have made us take (18) [unless,] when we invade the country, you tie this length of crimson cord to the window through which you let us down. Bring your father, your mother, your brothers, and all your family together in your house; (19) and if anyone ventures outside the doors of your house, his blood will be on his head, and we shall be clear. But if a hand is laid on anyone who remains in the house with you, his blood shall be on our heads. (20) And if you disclose this mission of ours, we shall likewise be released from the oath which you made us take.” (21) She replied, “Let it be as you say.” She sent them on their way, and they left; and she tied the crimson cord to the window. (22) They went straight to the hills and stayed

וַאֲנַחְנוּ בָּאִים בְּאֶרֶץ אֶת־תְּקוּת  
חוּטֹ הַשָּׁנִי הַזֶּה תִקְשְׁרֵי בְּחַלּוֹן  
אֲשֶׁר הוֹרַדְתָּנוּ בּוֹ וְאֶת־אֲבִיךָ  
וְאֶת־אִמֶּךָ וְאֶת־אֶחְיֶיךָ וְאֵת כָּל־בֵּית  
אֲבִיךָ תֵאסֹפֵי אֵלֶיךָ הַבַּיְתָה: (ט)  
וְהָיָה כָּל אֲשֶׁר־יֵצֵא מִדְלַתִּי בֵיתְךָ  
| הַחַוֹצָה דָּמוֹ בְּרֹאשׁוֹ וְאֲנַחְנוּ  
נִקִּים וְכֹל אֲשֶׁר יִהְיֶה אִתְּךָ בַּבַּיִת  
דָּמוֹ בְּרֹאשׁוֹ אִם־יָד תִּהְיֶה־בּוֹ: (כ)  
וְאִם־תִּגְיָדִי אֶת־דְּבָרֵנוּ זֶה וְהִינֵנוּ  
נִקִּים מִשְׁבַּעְתְּךָ אֲשֶׁר הִשְׁבַּעְתָּנוּ:  
(כא) וְתֹאמַר כְּדַבְּרֵיכֶם כֹּן־הוּא  
וְתִשְׁלַחֶם וַיֵּלְכוּ וַתִּקְשֶׁר אֶת־תְּקוּת  
הַשָּׁנִי בְּחַלּוֹן: (כב) וַיֵּלְכוּ וַיָּבֹאוּ  
הַהָרָה וַיָּשְׁבוּ שָׁם שְׁלֹשַׁת יָמִים  
עַד־שָׁבוּ הָרֹדְפִים וַיִּבְקְשׂוּ הָרֹדְפִים  
בְּכָל־הַדֶּרֶךְ וְלֹא מָצְאוּ: (כג) וַיָּשְׁבוּ  
שְׁנֵי הָאֲנָשִׁים וַיֵּרְדוּ מִהָהָר וַיַּעֲבְרוּ  
וַיָּבֹאוּ אֶל־יְהוֹשֻׁעַ בֶּן־נֹון וַיְסַפְּרוּ־לוֹ  
אֵת כָּל־הַמְצָאוֹת אֹתָם: (כד)  
וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֶל־יְהוֹשֻׁעַ כִּי־נָתַן יְהוָה

there three days, until the pursuers turned back. And so the pursuers, searching all along the road, did not find them. (23) Then the two men came down again from the hills and crossed over. They came to Joshua son of Nun and reported to him all that had happened to them. (24) They said to Joshua, “The LORD has delivered the whole land into our power; in fact, all the inhabitants of the land are quaking before us.”

בִּידְנוּ אֶת־כָּל־הָאָרֶץ וְגַם־נִמְּגוּ  
כָּל־יְשֵׁבֵי הָאָרֶץ מִפְּנֵינוּ: {ס}