

Parashat Bereishit

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Genesis 4:1-16

(1) Now the man knew his wife Eve, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, “I have gained a male child with the help of the Eternal One.” (2) She then bore his brother Abel. Abel became a keeper of sheep, and Cain became a tiller of the soil. (3) In the course of time, Cain brought an offering to the Eternal One from the fruit of the soil; (4) and Abel, for his part, brought the choicest of the firstlings of his flock. The Eternal One paid heed to Abel and his offering, (5) but to Cain and his offering He paid no heed. Cain was much distressed and his face fell. (6) And the Eternal One said to Cain, “Why are you distressed, And why is your face fallen? (7) Surely, if you do right, There is uplift. But if you do not do right Sin couches at the door; Its urge is toward you, Yet you can be its master.” (8) Cain said to his brother Abel ... and when they were in the field, Cain set upon his brother Abel and killed him. (9) The Eternal One said to Cain, “Where is your brother Abel?” And he said, “I do not know. Am I my brother’s keeper?” (10) Then He said, “What have you done? Hark, your brother’s blood cries out to Me from the ground! (11) Therefore, you shall be more cursed than the ground, which opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand. (12) If you till the soil, it shall no longer yield its strength to you. You shall become a ceaseless wanderer on earth.” (13) Cain said to the Eternal One, “My punishment is too great to bear! (14) Since You have banished me this day from the soil, and I must avoid Your presence and become a restless wanderer on earth—anyone who meets me may kill me!” (15) The Eternal One said to

בראשית ד': א'-ט"ז

(א) וְהָאָדָם יָדַע אֶת-חַוָּה אִשְׁתּוֹ וַתַּהַר וַתֵּלֶד אֶת-קַיִן וַתֹּאמֶר קָנִיתִי אִישׁ אֶת-יְהוָה: (ב) וַתֵּלֶד אֶת-אָחִיו אֶת-הָבֶל וַיְהִי-הֶבֶל רֹעֵה צֹאן וְקַיִן הָיָה עֹבֵד אֲדָמָה: (ג) וַיְהִי מִקֵּץ יָמִים וַיָּבֵא קַיִן מִפְּרִי הָאֲדָמָה מִנְחָה לַיהוָה: (ד) וְהֶבֶל הֵבִיא גַם-הוּא מִבְּכֹרוֹת צֹאנוֹ וּמִחֲלִבְנֵהוּ וַיִּשַׁע יְהוָה אֶל-הֶבֶל וְאֶל-מִנְחֹתָיו: (ה) וְאֶל-קַיִן וְאֶל-מִנְחֹתָיו לֹא שָׁעָה וַיִּחַר לְקַיִן מְאֹד וַיִּפְּלוּ פָּנָיו: (ו) וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה אֶל-קַיִן לָמָּה חָרָה לָךְ וְלָמָּה נָפְלוּ פָּנֶיךָ: (ז) הֲלוֹא אִם-תֵּיטִיב שְׂאֵת וְאִם לֹא תֵיטִיב לַפֶּתַח חַטָּאת רֹבֵץ וְאֵלֶיךָ תִּשְׁוֹקֶתוּ וְאַתָּה תִּמְשָׁל-בּוֹ: (ח) וַיֹּאמֶר קַיִן אֶל-הֶבֶל אָחִיו וַיְהִי בֵּהֵיוֹתָם בַּשָּׂדֶה וַיִּקָּם קַיִן אֶל-הֶבֶל אָחִיו וַיַּהַרְגֵהוּ: (ט) וַיֹּאמֶר יְהוָה אֶל-קַיִן אֵי הֶבֶל אָחִיךָ וַיֹּאמֶר לֹא יָדַעְתִּי הַשֹּׁמֵר אָחִי אֲנֹכִי: (י) וַיֹּאמֶר מַה עָשִׂיתָ קוֹל דְּמֵי אָחִיךָ צֹעֲקִים אֵלַי מִן-הָאֲדָמָה: (יא) וְעַתָּה אָרוּר אַתָּה מִן-הָאֲדָמָה אֲשֶׁר פָּצְתָה אֶת-פִּיהָ לְקַחַת אֶת-דְּמֵי אָחִיךָ מִיָּדְךָ: (יב) כִּי תַעֲבֹד אֶת-הָאֲדָמָה לֹא-תִסְרָף תִּת-פָּתְחָה לָךְ גֹּעַ וְגַד תִּהְיֶה בְּאָרֶץ: (יג) וַיֹּאמֶר קַיִן אֶל-יְהוָה גָּדוֹל עֲוֹנִי מִנְּשֹׂא: (יד) הֵן גֵּרֶשְׁתָּ אֹתִי הַיּוֹם מֵעַל פְּנֵי הָאֲדָמָה וּמִפְּנֵיךָ אֶסְתָּר וְהָיִיתִי גֹעַ וְגַד בְּאָרֶץ וְהָיָה כָּל-מֹצְאִי יַהַרְגֵנִי: (טו) וַיֹּאמֶר לוֹ יְהוָה לָכוֹן כָּל-הַיָּרֵג לָיוֹן שְׁבַעֲתֵימִם יִקָּם וַיִּשָּׂם יְהוָה לְקַיִן אוֹת לְבִלְתִּי הַכּוֹת-אֹתוֹ כָּל-מֹצְאוֹ: (טז) וַיִּצַּא קַיִן מִלְּפָנֵי יְהוָה וַיִּשְׁבַּב בְּאָרֶץ-נוֹד קְדָמַת-עֵדֵן:

him, "I promise, if anyone kills Cain, sevenfold vengeance shall be taken on him." And the Eternal One put a mark on Cain, lest anyone who met him should kill him. (16) Cain left the presence of the Eternal One and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

Haftarah

Job 38:1-18

(1) Then the Eternal One replied to Job out of the tempest and said: (2) Who is this who darkens counsel, Speaking without knowledge? (3) Gird your loins like a man; I will ask and you will inform Me. (4) Where were you when I laid the earth's foundations? Speak if you have understanding. (5) Do you know who fixed its dimensions Or who measured it with a line? (6) Onto what were its bases sunk? Who set its cornerstone (7) When the morning stars sang together And all the divine beings shouted for joy? (8) Who closed the sea behind doors When it gushed forth out of the womb, (9) When I clothed it in clouds, Swaddled it in dense clouds, (10) When I made breakers My limit for it, And set up its bar and doors, (11) And said, "You may come so far and no farther; Here your surging waves will stop"? (12) Have you ever commanded the day to break, Assigned the dawn its place, (13) So that it seizes the corners of the earth And shakes the wicked out of it? (14) It changes like clay under the seal Till [its hues] are fixed like those of a garment. (15) Their light is withheld from the wicked, And the upraised arm is broken. (16) Have you penetrated to the sources of the sea, Or walked in the recesses of the deep? (17) Have the gates of death been disclosed to you? Have you seen the gates of deep darkness? (18) Have you surveyed the expanses of the earth? If you know of these—tell Me.

איוב ל"ח:א-י"ח

(א) וַיַּעֲנֵנוּ יְהוָה אֶת־אִיּוֹב מִן־הַסַּעֲרָה [מִן־ו] [הַסַּעֲרָה] וַיֹּאמֶר: (ב) מִי־זֶה אֲנִי מְחַשֵּׁיף עֲצָה בְּמַלְיוֹן בְּלִי־דַעַת: (ג) אֲזַרְנָא כַּגִּבֹר חֲלָצִיף וְאֲשַׁאֲלֶךָ וְהוֹדִיעַנִי: (ד) אֵיפֹה הָיִיתָ בְּיִסְדֵי־אָרֶץ הַגָּד אִם־יִדְעַתָּ בִּינָה: (ה) מִי־שָׁם מִמְדֵיָהּ כִּי תִדַּע אֹו מִי־נִטָּה עָלֶיהָ קוֹ: (ו) עַל־מָה אֲדַגִּיחַ הַטְּבָעוּ אֹו מִי־יָרָה אֲבֹן פְּנִתָהּ: (ז) בְּרוֹז־יַחַד פּוֹכְבֵי בְּקֹר וַיִּרְיֵעוּ כָּל־בְּנֵי אֱלֹהִים: (ח) וַיִּסֹּף בְּדִלְתַיִם יָגַם כְּגִיחוֹ מִרְחֹם יֵצֵא: (ט) בְּשׁוּמֵי עֲגֹן לְבָשׁוּ וְעָרְפָל חֲתַלְתּוּ: (י) וְאֲשַׁבֵּר עָלָיו חֲקֵי אֲשִׁים בְּרִיחַ וּדְלָתַיִם: (יא) וְאֹמַר עַד־כַּפָּה תָּבוֹא וְלֹא תִסֹּף וּפֹאֲזֵנִשִׁית בְּגֹאזֹן גְּלִיף: (יב) הֲמִי־מִיָּד צִוִּיתָ בְּקֹר יִדְעַתָּה שַׁחַר [יִדְעַתָּה] [הַשַּׁחַר] מִקְמוֹ: (יג) לֵאחֹז בְּכַנְפֹת הָאָרֶץ וַיִּנְעָרוּ רַשְׁעִים מִמֶּנֶּה: (יד) תַּתְּהַפֵּף כַּתְּמָר חֹתֶם וַיִּתְיַצְּבוּ פָּמֹ לְבוּשׁ: (טו) וַיִּמְנַע מִרַשְׁעִים אֹנְרָם וַיִּזְרֹעַ רָמָה תִשְׁבֵּר: (טז) הֲבֵאתָ עַד־נְבְכֵי־יָם וּבְיַתְּקֹר אֶתְהוֹם הַתְּהַלְקָתָ: (יז) הֲנִגְלוּ לְךָ שְׁעֵרֵי־מָוֹת וּשְׁעֵרֵי צְלָמוֹת תִּרְאָה: (יח) הֲתִבְנִנְתָּ עַד־רַחְבֵי־אָרֶץ הַגָּד אִם־יִדְעַתָּה כָּלָהּ:

