

אז תבאנה לתיס נלים זנות:

ההכרה הנזירה והתעלומה הנלגה: מלכ למה

The rarest of Haftarat and the Elusive Mystery of Shelomo's Judgment

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(ג) ויאָהב שְׁלֹמֹה אֶת־ה' לָלֶכֶת בְּחֻקֹּת דָּוִד אָבִיו רַק בַּבָּמֹת הוּא מְזַבֵּחַ וּמִקְטִיר: (ד) וַיֵּלֶךְ הַמֶּלֶךְ גִּבְעֹנָה לִזְבֹּחַ שֶׁם כִּי הָיָה הַבָּמָה הַגְּדוֹלָה אֲלֵף עֲלוֹת יַעֲלֶה שְׁלֹמֹה עַל הַמִּזְבֵּחַ הַהוּא: (ה) בְּגִבְעֹן נִרְאָה ה' אֶל־שְׁלֹמֹה בַּחֲלוֹם הַלַּיְלָה וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים שְׁאֵל מֶה אֲתוֹן־לָךְ: (ו) וַיֹּאמֶר שְׁלֹמֹה אֶתֶּנָּה עֲשִׂיתָ עִם־עַבְדְּךָ דָּוִד אָבִי חֶסֶד גָּדוֹל כְּאִשֶּׁר הָלַךְ לִפְנֶיךָ בְּאַמֶּת וּבִצְדָקָה וּבִישׁוּרֵת לִבָּב עִמָּךְ וְתִשְׁמְרֵנִי אֶת־הַחֶסֶד הַגָּדוֹל הַזֶּה וְתִתֵּן־לִי בֶן יִשָּׁב עַל־כִּסְאוֹ כִּי־סָה: (ז) וְעַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵי אֶתֶּנָּה הַמִּלְכֻת אֶת־עַבְדְּךָ תַּחַת דָּוִד אָבִי וְאֶנְכִּי נֶעַר קָטָן לֹא אֲדַע צֵאת וְכֹא: (ח) וְעַבְדְּךָ בְּתוֹךְ עַמָּךְ אֲשֶׁר בְּחֵרְתָּ עִסְרָב אֲשֶׁר לֹא־יִמָּנֶה וְלֹא יִסְפָּר מִרֹב: (ט) וְנָתַתָּ לְעַבְדְּךָ לֵב שֹׁמֵעַ לִשְׁפֹט אֶת־עַמָּךְ לְהִכִּין בִּינְיָטוֹב לְרַע כִּי מִי יוֹכֵל לִשְׁפֹט אֶת־עַמָּךְ הַכָּבֵד הַזֶּה: (י) וַיִּטֵּב הַדָּבָר בְּעֵינֵי אֲדָנִי כִּי שְׁאֵל שְׁלֹמֹה אֶת־הַדָּבָר הַזֶּה: (יא) וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים אֵלָיו יַעֲזֹר אֲשֶׁר שְׁאֵלְתָּ אֶת־הַדָּבָר הַזֶּה וְלֹא־שְׁאֵלְתָּ לָךְ יָמִים רַבִּים וְלֹא־שְׁאֵלְתָּ לָךְ עֶשֶׂר וְלֹא שְׁאֵלְתָּ נֶפֶשׁ אִיבִיךָ וְשְׁאֵלְתָּ לָךְ הַכִּין לִשְׁמֹעַ מִשְׁפָּט: (יב) הִנֵּה עֲשִׂיתִי כְּדִבְרֶיךָ הַנְּהוּ נָתַתִּי לָךְ לֵב חָכָם וְנָבוֹן אֲשֶׁר כְּמוֹךָ לֹא־הָיָה לִפְנֵיךָ וְאַחֲרֶיךָ לֹא יִקּוּם כְּמוֹךָ: (יג) וְגַם אֲשֶׁר לֹא־שְׁאֵלְתָּ נָתַתִּי לָךְ גִּסְעֶשֶׂר גִּסְעָבוֹד אֲשֶׁר לֹא־הָיָה כְּמוֹךָ אִישׁ בְּמִלְכִים כֹּל־יָמָיךְ: (יד) וְאַסֹּת תִּלְךָ בְּדַרְכֵי־לְשֹׁמֵר חָקִי וּמִצְוֹתַי כְּאִשֶּׁר הָלַךְ דָּוִד אָבִיךָ וְהֶאֱרַכְתִּי אֶת־יָמֶיךָ: (טו) וַיִּקֶּץ שְׁלֹמֹה וְהִנֵּה חֲלוֹם וַיָּבֹא יְרוּשָׁלַם וַיַּעֲמֵדוּ לִפְנֵי אֶרֶץ בְּרִית־אֲדָנִי וַיַּעַל עֲלוֹת וַיַּעַשׂ שְׁלָמִים וַיַּעַשׂ מִשְׁתָּה לְכָל־עַבְדָּיו:

(טז) אִז תִּבְאָנָה שְׁתֵּים נָשִׁים זָנוֹת אֶל־הַמֶּלֶךְ וְתַעֲמִדְנָה לִפְנָיו: (יז) וְתֹאמַר הָאִשָּׁה הָאֶחָת בִּי אֲדָנִי אֲנִי וְהָאִשָּׁה הַזֹּאת יִשָּׁבֵת

בְּבֵית אֶחָד וְאֵלֶּךְ עִמָּה בְּבֵית: (יח) וַיְהִי בַיּוֹם הַשְּׁלִישִׁי לְלִדְתָּי וְתִלְדָּה גַם־הָאִשָּׁה הַזֹּאת וְאֶנְחֵנוּ יַחְדָּו אִין־זֶר אֲתֵנוּ בְּבֵית זִוְלָתִי

שְׁתֵּים־אֶנְחֵנוּ בְּבֵית: (יט) וַיָּמָת בֶּן־הָאִשָּׁה הַזֹּאת לִילָה אֲשֶׁר שָׁכְבָה עָלָי: (כ) וְתִקֵּם בְּתוֹךְ הַלַּיְלָה וְתִקַּח אֶת־בְּנִי מֵאֶצְלִי

וְאִמָּתְךָ יִשְׁנֶה וְתִשְׁכַּיְבֶהוּ בְּחִיקָה וְאֶת־בְּנָה הַמֵּת תִּשְׁכַּיְבֶה בְּחִיקָי: (כא) וְאָקַם בְּבֹקֶר לְהִינִיק אֶת־בְּנִי וְהִנֵּה־מֵת וְאֶתְּבוֹן אֵלָיו

בְּבֹקֶר וְהִנֵּה לֹא־הָיָה בְּנִי אֲשֶׁר יִלְדָתִי: (כב) וְתֹאמַר הָאִשָּׁה הָאֲחֵרָת לֹא כִּי בְנִי הָחִי וּבִנְךָ הַמֵּת וְזֹאת אִמָּרְתָּ לֹא כִּי בִנְךָ הַמֵּת

וּבְנִי הָחִי וְתִדְּבַרְנָה לִפְנֵי הַמֶּלֶךְ: (כג) וַיֹּאמֶר הַמֶּלֶךְ זֹאת אִמָּרְתָּ וְהַבְּנִי הָחִי וּבִנְךָ הַמֵּת וְזֹאת אִמָּרְתָּ לֹא כִּי בִנְךָ הַמֵּת וּבְנִי

הָחִי:

(כד) וַיֹּאמֶר הַמֶּלֶךְ קָחוּ לִי־חֶרֶב וַיָּבֹאוּ הַחֶרֶב לִפְנֵי הַמֶּלֶךְ: (כה) וַיֹּאמֶר הַמֶּלֶךְ גִּזְרוּ אֶת־הַיֶּלֶד הָחִי לְשֵׁנִים וְתִנּוּ אֶת־הַחֶצִי

לְאֶחָת וְאֶת־הַחֶצִי לְאֶחָת: (כו) וְתֹאמַר הָאִשָּׁה אֲשֶׁר־בְּנָה הָחִי אֶל־הַמֶּלֶךְ כִּי־נִכְמְדוּ רַחֲמֶיהָ עַל־בְּנָהּ וְתֹאמַרוּ בִּי אֲדָנִי תִנּוּ־

לָהּ אֶת־הַיֶּלֶד הָחִי וְהַמֵּת אֶל־תִּמְיִתָּהּ: וְזֹאת אִמָּרְתָּ גַם־לִי גַם־לָךְ לֹא יְהִי־גִזְרוֹ: (כז) וַיַּעַן הַמֶּלֶךְ וַיֹּאמֶר תִּנּוּ־לָהּ אֶת־הַיֶּלֶד

הָחִי וְהַמֵּת לֹא תִמְיִתָּהּ הִיא אִמּוֹ: (כח) וַיִּשְׁמְעוּ כָל־יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶת־הַמִּשְׁפָּט אֲשֶׁר שָׁפַט הַמֶּלֶךְ וַיֵּרְאוּ מִפְּנֵי הַמֶּלֶךְ כִּי רָאוּ כִּי־

חֲכָמָה אֱלֹהִים בִּקְרָבוֹ לַעֲשׂוֹת מִשְׁפָּט: (א) וַיְהִי הַמֶּלֶךְ שְׁלֹמֹה מֶלֶךְ עַל־כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל:

3 And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the statutes of David his father; only he sacrificed and offered in the high places. 4 And the king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there; for that was the great high place; a thousand burnt-offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar. 5 In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said: 'Ask what I shall give thee.' 6 And Solomon said: 'Thou hast shown unto Thy servant David my father great kindness, according as he walked before Thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with Thee; and Thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that Thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne, as it is this day. 7 And now, O LORD my God, Thou hast made Thy servant king instead of David my father; and I am but a little child; I know not how to go out or come in. 8 And Thy servant is in the midst of Thy people which Thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. 9 Give Thy servant therefore an understanding heart to judge Thy people, that I may discern between good and evil; for who is able to judge this Thy great people?' 10 And the speech pleased the LORD, that Solomon had asked this thing. 11 And God said unto him: 'Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern justice; 12 behold, I have done according to thy word: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so that there hath been none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee. 13 And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches and honour--so that there hath not been any among the kings like unto thee--all thy days. 14 And if thou wilt walk in My ways, to keep My statutes and My commandments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.'

15 And Solomon awoke, and, behold, it was a dream; and he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and offered up burnt-offerings, and offered peace-offerings, and made a feast to all his servants.

16 Then came there two women, that were harlots, unto the king, and stood before him. 17 And the one woman said: 'Oh, my lord, I and this woman dwell in one house; and I was delivered of a child with her in the house. 18 And it came to pass the third day after I was delivered, that this woman was delivered also; and we were together; there was no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house. 19 And this woman's child died in the night; because she overlay it. 20 And she arose at midnight, and took my son from beside me, while thy handmaid slept, and laid it in her bosom, and laid her dead child in my bosom. 21 And when I rose in the morning to give my child suck, behold, it was dead; but when I had looked well at it in the morning, behold, it was not my son, whom I did bear.' 22 And the other woman said: 'Nay; but the living is my son, and the dead is thy son.' And this said: 'No; but the dead is thy son, and the living is my son.' Thus they spoke before the king. 23 Then said the king: 'The one saith: This is my son that liveth, and thy son is the dead; and the other saith: Nay; but thy son is the dead, and my son is the living.'

24 And the king said: 'Fetch me a sword.' And they brought a sword before the king. 25 And the king said: 'Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.' 26 Then spoke the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her heart yearned upon her son, and she said: 'Oh, my lord, give her the living child, and in no wise slay it.' But the other said: 'It shall be neither mine nor thine; divide it.' 27 Then the king answered and said: 'Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it: she is the mother thereof.' 28 And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged; and they feared the king; for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him, to do justice.

1 And king Solomon was king over all Israel