

Achari Mot Kedoshim (After the Death - Holy)

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ואַחַרֵי מוֹת קְדוּשִׁים
מִלִּים וּלְחַן: עוֹבְדֵי חַמָּמָה

How does one continue to live after the experience of death. How does Aaron continue after the death of his two sons? The Parasha suggests that the way to continue life is by living a moral life, a just life, a life of Mitzvot whose culmination is the Mitzvah "Love your neighbor as yourself."

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A way of life, a way of the holy

Judge your kinsman fairly.
Do not deal basely with your countrymen.
You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge
against your countrymen.
Love your fellow as yourself: I am the LORD.

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You shall rise before the aged and show deference
to the old;
You shall faithfully observe all My laws,
Lest the landspew you out.

For I will give it to you to possess, a land flowing
with milk and honey.
And I have set you apart from other peoples
to be mine.
You shall be holy to me,
for I the LORD am holy.

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בְּצַדֵּק תִּשְׁפֹּט עִמִּיתֶךָ
וְלֹא־תִלָּךְ רֵכִיל בְּעַמִּיךָ
לֹא־תִקֹּם וְלֹא־תִטֹּר אֶת־בְּנֵי עַמֶּךָ
וְאֶהְבֶּתָ לְרֵעֶךָ כְּמוֹךְ אֲנִי יְהוָה

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מִפְּנֵי שִׁיבָה תִּלְקוּם וְהִדְרַת פְּנֵי זָקֵן
וְשִׁמְרַתֶם אֶת־כָּל־חֻקֹּתַי
וְעִשִׂיתֶם אֹתָם
וְלֹא...תִקִּיא אֶתְכֶם הָאָרֶץ

וְאֲנִי אֶתְנַנֶּה לָכֶם לְרֵשֶׁת אֶתְהָ אָרֶץ
זֶבֶת חֶלֶב וְדָבָשׁ
וְאֲבָדִיל אֶתְכֶם מִן־הָעַמִּים
לִהְיוֹת לִי קְדוּשִׁים
קְדוּשִׁים תִּהְיוּ,
כִּי קְדוֹשׁ אֲנִי.