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"HASHEM TESTS THE RIGHTEOUS." (TEHILLIM 11:5)

RABBI YONATAN EXPLAINS, "AS A POTTER DOES NOT TEST DEFECTIVE VESSELS WHICH WOULD BREAK IN ONE BLOW, SO TOO, THE HOLY ONE TESTS ONLY THE STRONG AND THE RIGHTEOUS." (BEREISHIS RABBAH 32:3)

IF HASHEM IS TESTING YOU, IT'S ONLY BECAUSE HE BELIEVES IN YOU.

"YEHUDAH STOOPED DOWN; HE CROUCHED AS A LION..." (BEREISHIS 49:9)

THE JEWISH PEOPLE ARE REFERRED TO AS YEHUDIM.

YEHUDAH'S OUTSTANDING QUALITY IS THAT EVEN IF HE FALLS AND IS BOWED LOW, HE REMAINS AS FIRM AND FEARLESS AS A LION. EVEN WHEN HE MUST KNEEL, HE DOES SO WITH PRIDE.

YEHUDAH NEVER SUCCUMBS TO DESPAIR, AND HE NEVER STAYS DOWN.

YEHUDAH, LIKE THE LION, ALWAYS GETS BACK UP.

CHIDDUSHEI HARIM, REB YITZCHAK MEIR ALTER (1799-1866)

JEWISH FAITH IS NOT ABOUT BELIEVING THE WORLD TO BE OTHER THAN IT IS. IT IS NOT ABOUT IGNORING THE EVIL, THE DARKNESS AND THE PAIN.

IT IS ABOUT COURAGE, ENDURANCE AND THE CAPACITY TO HOLD FAST TO IDEALS EVEN WHEN THEY ARE IGNORED BY OTHERS. IT IS THE ABILITY TO SEE THE WORLD FOR WHAT IT IS, AND YET STILL BELIEVE THAT IT COULD BE DIFFERENT. IT IS ABOUT NOT GIVING UP; IT IS ABOUT NOT LETTING GO.

RABBI JONATHAN SACKS (1948-2020)

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WHEN WE LOOK AT ANOTHER PERSON WE SEE HIS SUPERFICIAL, EXTERNAL QUALITIES. YET HIDDEN BENEATH HIS PHYSICAL TRAITS ARE LAYERS UPON LAYERS OF SPIRITUALITY.

THE SOUL IS MORE MULTIFACETED THAN THE MOST PRECIOUS OF DIAMONDS. CONTAINED WITHIN IT IS GOOD DEEDS AND INSPIRATIONS, CENTURIES OF INCARNATIONS AND LAYERS OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS. EACH INCARNATION HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE SOUL; EACH ONE LEAVING THE SOUL MORE ELEVATED AND COMPLETE THAN IT WAS BEFORE.

AND WITHIN EACH OF US LIES A SOUL MORE COMPLEX AND HOLY THAN WE CAN POSSIBLY IMAGINE.

RAV DOVBER PINSON

WHEN YOU TALK TO HASHEM, NO BREATH IS LOST. WHEN YOU WALK WITH HASHEM, NO STRENGTH IS LOST. WHEN YOU WAIT FOR HASHEM, NO TIME IS LOST. WHEN YOU TRUST IN HASHEM, YOU ARE NEVER LOST.

RABBI DANIEL AGALAR

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