

# Shabbat Sh'lach L'cha

21 June 25 Sivan

## Numbers 13:25-14:10

(25) At the end of forty days they returned from scouting the land. (26) They went straight to Moses and Aaron and the whole Israelite community at Kadesh in the wilderness of Paran, and they made their report to them and to the whole community, as they showed them the fruit of the land. (27) This is what they told him: “We came to the land you sent us to; it does indeed flow with milk and honey, and this is its fruit. (28) However, the people who inhabit the country are powerful, and the cities are fortified and very large; moreover, we saw the Anakites there. (29) Amalekites dwell in the Negeb region; Hittites, Jebusites, and Amorites inhabit the hill country; and Canaanites dwell by the Sea and along the Jordan.” (30) Caleb hushed the people before Moses and said, “Let us by all means go up, and we shall gain possession of it, for we shall surely overcome it.” (31) But the other men who had gone up with him said, “We cannot attack

## במדבר י"ג-כ"ה-י"ד:י

(כה) וַיָּשׁוּבוּ מִתּוֹר הָאָרֶץ מִקֶּץ אַרְבַּעִים יוֹם: (כו) וַיֵּלְכוּ וַיִּבְאוּ אֶל-מֹשֶׁה וְאֶל-אַהֲרֹן וְאֶל-כָּל-עֵדֹת בְּנֵי-יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל-מִדְבַּר פָּאֲרָן קְדֻשָּׁה וַיִּשְׁלִיבוּ אֹתָם דְּבַר וְאֶת-כָּל-הָעֵדָה וַיִּרְאוּם אֶת-פְּרֵי הָאָרֶץ: (כז) וַיְסַפְּרוּ-לוֹ וַיֹּאמְרוּ בְּאָנּוּ אֶל-הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר שָׁלַחְתָּנוּ וְגַם זִבַת חֶלֶב וּדְבַשׁ הוּא וְזֶה-פְרִיָּהּ: (כח) אִפְס כִּי-עֵץ הָעַם הַיֹּשֵׁב בְּאֶרֶץ וְהָעָרִים בְּצָרוֹת גְּדֹלֹת מְאֹד וְגַם-יְלָדֵי הָעֵנָק רְאִינוּ שָׁם: (כט) עַמְלֵק יוֹשֵׁב בְּאֶרֶץ הַנֶּגֶב וְהַחִתִּי וְהַיְבוּסִי וְהָאֱמֹרִי יוֹשֵׁב בְּהָר וְהַכְּנַעֲנִי יוֹשֵׁב עַל-הַיָּם וְעַל יַד הַיַּרְדֵּן: (ל) וַיְהִי כִּלְבָב אֶת-הָעָם אֶל-מֹשֶׁה וַיֹּאמֶר עָלָה נַעֲלֶה וַיִּרְשָׁנוּ אֹתָהּ כִּי-יָכוֹל נוֹכַל לָהּ: (לא) וְהָאֱנָשִׁים אֲשֶׁר-עָלוּ עִמּוֹ אָמְרוּ לֹא נוֹכַל לַעֲלוֹת אֶל-הָעָם כִּי-חֲזָק הוּא מִמֶּנּוּ: (לב) וַיִּצְיִאוּ

that people, for it is stronger than we.” (32) Thus they spread calumnies among the Israelites about the land they had scouted, saying, “The country that we traversed and scouted is one that devours its settlers. All the people that we saw in it are of great size; (33) we saw the Nephilim\**Nephilim* See Gen. 6.4. there—the Anakites are part of the Nephilim—and we looked like grasshoppers to ourselves, and so we must have looked to them.” (1) The whole community broke into loud cries, and the people wept that night. (2) All the Israelites railed against Moses and Aaron. “If only we had died in the land of Egypt,” the whole community shouted at them, “or if only we might die in this wilderness!” (3) “Why is יהוה taking us to that land to fall by the sword?” “Our wives and children will be carried off!” “It would be better for us to go back to Egypt!” (4) And they said to one another, “Let us head back for\**head back for* Lit. “set the head and return to”; cf. Neh. 9.17. Others “make a captain and return to.” Egypt.” (5) Then Moses and Aaron fell on their faces before all the assembled congregation of Israelites. (6) And Joshua son of Nun and Caleb son of Jephunneh, of those who had scouted the land,

דַּבַּת הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר תָּרוּ אֹתָהּ  
אֶל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל לֵאמֹר הָאָרֶץ  
אֲשֶׁר עָבְרָנוּ בָּהּ לְתוֹר אֹתָהּ אָרֶץ  
אֲכָלֶת יוֹשְׁבֶיהָ הִוא וְכָל־הָעַם  
אֲשֶׁר־רָאִינוּ בְּתוֹכָהּ אַנְשֵׁי מְדוֹת:  
(לג) וְשֵׁם רָאִינוּ אֶת־הַנְּפִילִים  
בְּנֵי עֲנָק מִן־הַנְּפִילִים וְנָהָי  
בְּעֵינֵינוּ כְּחַגְבִּים וְכֵן הָיִינוּ  
בְּעֵינֵיהֶם: (א) וַתִּשָּׂא כָל־הָעֵדָה  
וַיִּתְּנוּ אֶת־קוֹלָם וַיִּבְכּוּ הָעַם  
בְּלִילָה הַהוּא: (ב) וַיִּלְנוּ  
עַל־מֹשֶׁה וְעַל־אַהֲרֹן כָּל בְּנֵי  
יִשְׂרָאֵל וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֲלֵהֶם כָּל־הָעֵדָה  
לֹא־מָתְנוּ בְּאָרֶץ מִצְרַיִם אוֹ  
בַּמִּדְבָּר הַזֶּה לֹא־מָתְנוּ: (ג) וְלָמָּה  
יְהוָה מְבִיא אֹתָנוּ אֶל־הָאָרֶץ  
הַזֹּאת לְנַפֵּל בַּחֶרֶב נַשִּׁינוּ וְטַפָּנוּ  
יְהִיו לְבָז הַלְוָא טוֹב לָנוּ שׁוּב  
מִצְרַיִמָּה: (ד) וַיֹּאמְרוּ אִישׁ  
אֶל־אָחִיו נָתַנָּה רֹאשׁ וּנְשׁוּבָה  
מִצְרַיִמָּה: (ה) וַיִּפֹּל מֹשֶׁה וְאַהֲרֹן  
עַל־פְּנֵיהֶם לִפְנֵי כָל־קְהֵל עֵדֶת  
בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: (ו) וַיְהוֹשֶׁעַ בִּן־נּוּן  
וְכָלֵב בֶּן־יִפְתָּה מִן־הַתְּרִים  
אֶת־הָאָרֶץ קִרְעוּ בְּגָדֵיהֶם: (ז)  
וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֶל־כָּל־עֵדֶת בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל  
לֵאמֹר הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר עָבְרָנוּ בָּהּ  
לְתוֹר אֹתָהּ טוֹבָה הָאָרֶץ מְאֹד  
מְאֹד: (ח) אַם־חָפֵץ בָּנוּ יְהוָה

rent their clothes (7) and exhorted the whole Israelite community: “The land that we traversed and scouted is an exceedingly good land. (8) If pleased with us, יהוה will bring us into that land, a land that flows with milk and honey, and give it to us; (9) only you must not rebel against יהוה. Have no fear then of the people of the country, for they are our prey: *\*prey Lit. “food (or, bread).”* their protection has departed from them, but יהוה is with us. Have no fear of them!” (10) As the whole community threatened to pelt them with stones, the Presence of יהוה appeared in the Tent of Meeting to all the Israelites.

וְהִבִּיא אֶתְנֹו אֶל־הָאָרֶץ הַזֹּאת  
 וּנְתַנָּה לָנוּ אֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר־הוּא זֹבַת  
 חֶלֶב וּדְבָשׁ: (ט) אַךְ בִּיהוָה  
 אֶל־תִּמְרְדוּ וְאַתֶּם אֶל־תִּירְאוּ  
 אֶת־עַם הָאָרֶץ כִּי לַחֲמֵנוּ הֵם סִר  
 צָלָם מֵעַלֵיָהֶם וַיְהוָה אֶתְנֹו  
 אֶל־תִּירְאֵם: (י) וַיֹּאמְרוּ  
 כָּל־הָעֵדָה לְרַגֹּם אֹתָם בְּאֲבָנִים  
 וַכְּבוֹד יְהוָה נִרְאָה בְּאֵהָל מוֹעֵד  
 אֶל־כָּל־בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: {פ}

Haftarah

#### Joshua 2:1-24

(1) Joshua son of Nun secretly sent two men from Shittim as spies, saying, “Go, reconnoiter the region of Jericho.” So they set out, and they came to the house of a certain prostitute 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

#### יהושע ב':א'-כ"ד

(א) וַיִּשְׁלַח יְהוֹשֻׁעַ בְּנֵי־נֹון  
 מִן־הַשְּׂטִיִּים שְׁנַיִם־אֲנָשִׁים  
 מִרְגָּלִים חָרַשׁ לֵאמֹר לָכוּ רְאוּ  
 אֶת־הָאָרֶץ וְאֶת־יְרִיחוֹ וַיֵּלְכוּ  
 וַיָּבֹאוּ בֵּית־אִשָּׁה זֹנָה וּשְׁמָהּ  
 רַחַב וַיִּשְׁכְּבוּ־שָׁמָּה: (ב) וַיֹּאמֶר  
 לְמַלְךְ יְרִיחוֹ לֵאמֹר הִנֵּה אַנְשֵׁים

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 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 that 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 GOD 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 GOD 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 about it, we lost heart, and no

בָּאוּ הֵנָּה הַלְיָלָה מִבְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל  
 לְחַפֵּר אֶת־הָאָרֶץ: (ג) וַיִּשְׁלַח  
 מֶלֶךְ יְרִיחוֹ אֶל־רַחָב לֵאמֹר  
 הֲוָצִיאי הָאֲנָשִׁים הַבָּאִים אֵלֶיךָ  
 אֲשֶׁר־בָּאוּ לְבֵיתְךָ כִּי לְחַפֵּר  
 אֶת־כָּל־הָאָרֶץ בָּאוּ: (ד) וַתִּקַּח  
 הָאִשָּׁה אֶת־שְׁנֵי הָאֲנָשִׁים וַתְּצַפְּנֵן  
 וַתֹּאמֶר | כִּן בָּאוּ אֵלַי הָאֲנָשִׁים  
 וְלֹא יָדַעְתִּי מֵאֵין הֵמָּה: (ה) וַיְהִי  
 הַשָּׁעַר לְסָגוֹר בַּחֹשֶׁךְ וְהָאֲנָשִׁים  
 יָצְאוּ לֹא יָדַעְתִּי אָנָּה הֵלְכוּ  
 הָאֲנָשִׁים רֹדְפוֹ מֵהָר אַחֲרֵיהֶם כִּי  
 תִּשְׁיָגוּם: (ו) וְהִיא הֶעֱלֵתָם הַגֶּגֶה  
 וַתִּטְמְנֵם בְּפִשְׁתֵּי הָעֵץ הָעֲרֻכוֹת  
 לָהּ עַל־הַגֶּגֶה: (ז) וְהָאֲנָשִׁים רֹדְפוֹ  
 אַחֲרֵיהֶם דֶּרֶךְ הַיַּרְדֵּן עַל  
 הַמַּעְבְּרוֹת וְהַשָּׁעַר סָגְרוּ אַחֲרָי  
 כַּאֲשֶׁר יָצְאוּ הָרֹדְפִים אַחֲרֵיהֶם:  
 (ח) וְהֵמָּה טָרִם יִשְׁכַּבּוּן וְהִיא  
 עָלְתָה עֲלֵיהֶם עַל־הַגֶּגֶה: (ט)  
 וַתֹּאמֶר אֶל־הָאֲנָשִׁים יָדַעְתִּי  
 כִּי־נָתַן יְהוָה לָכֶם אֶת־הָאָרֶץ  
 וְכִי־נִפְלָה אִימַתְכֶם עָלֵינוּ וְכִי  
 נִמְגּוּ כָּל־יֹשְׁבֵי הָאָרֶץ מִפְּנֵיכֶם:  
 (י) כִּי שָׁמַעְנוּ אֵת אֲשֶׁר־הוֹבִישׁ  
 יְהוָה אֶת־יַם־סוּף מִפְּנֵיכֶם  
 בְּצֵאתְכֶם מִמִּצְרַיִם וְאֲשֶׁר  
 עָשִׂיתָם לְשְׁנֵי מְלָכֵי הָאֲמֹרִי אֲשֶׁר  
 בְּעֵבֶר הַיַּרְדֵּן לְסִיחֹן וְלִעוֹג אֲשֶׁר

one had any more spirit left because of you; for the ETERNAL 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 GOD 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 lives are pledged for yours, even to death! If you do not disclose this mission of ours, we will show you true loyalty when GOD 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, until the pursuers return; then go your way.” (17) But the men warned her, “We will be released from this oath that 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

הַחֲרַמְתֶּם אוֹתָם: (יא) וְנִשְׁמַע וַיִּמַּס לְבַבְנוּ וְלֹא־קָמָה עוֹד רוּחַ בְּאִישׁ מִפְּנֵיכֶם כִּי יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם הוּא אֱלֹהִים בְּשָׁמַיִם מִמַּעַל וְעַל־הָאָרֶץ מִתַּחַת: (יב) וְעַתָּה הִשָּׁבְעוּ־נָא לִי בַיהוָה כִּי־עֲשִׂיתִי עִמָּכֶם חֶסֶד וְעֲשִׂיתֶם גַּם־אִתָּם עִם־בֵּית אָבִי חֶסֶד וְנָתַתֶּם לִי אוֹת אָמַת: (יג) וְהַחַיְתֶם אֶת־אָבִי וְאֶת־אִמִּי וְאֶת־אָחִי וְאֶת־[אָחִיוֹתַי] (אָחוֹתַי) וְאֶת כָּל־אֲשֶׁר לָהֶם וְהִצַּלְתֶּם אֶת־נַפְשֹׁתֵינוּ מִמּוֹת: (יד) וַיֹּאמְרוּ לָהּ הָאֲנָשִׁים נַפְשֵׁנוּ תַחַת־יְכֶם לְמוֹת אִם לֹא תִגִּידוּ אֶת־דְּבָרֵנוּ זֶה וְהָיָה בְּתַת־יְהוָה לָנוּ אֶת־הָאָרֶץ וְעֲשִׂינוּ עִמָּךְ חֶסֶד וְאָמַת: (טו) וְתוֹרְדִם בַּחֶבֶל בְּעֵד הַחֲלוֹן כִּי בֵיתָהּ בְּקִיר הַחוּמָה וּבַחוּמָה הִיא יוֹשֶׁבֶת: (טז) וְתֹאמַר לָהֶם הִהָרָה לָכוּ פֶן־יִפְגְּעוּ בְכֶם הַרְדָּפִים וְנַחֲבֶתֶם שָׁמָּה שְׁלֹשֶׁת יָמִים עַד שׁוּב הַרְדָּפִים וְאַחַר תֵּלְכוּ לְדַרְכְּכֶם: (יז) וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֵלֶיהָ הָאֲנָשִׁים נְקִיִּם אֲנַחְנוּ מִשְׁבַּעְתְּךָ הַזֶּה אֲשֶׁר הִשָּׁבְעָתָנוּ: (יח) הִנֵּה אֲנַחְנוּ בָּאִים בָּאָרֶץ אֶת־תְּקוּת חוּטִי הַשָּׁנִי הַזֶּה תִּקְשְׂרִי בַחֲלוֹן אֲשֶׁר

doors of your house, their blood will be on their head, and we shall be clear. But if a hand is laid on anyone who remains in the house with you, their blood shall be on our heads.

(20) And if you disclose this mission of ours, we shall likewise be released from the oath that 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 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, “GOD has delivered the whole land into our power; in fact, all the inhabitants of the land are quaking before us.”

הוֹרְדַתְנֹו בּוֹ וְאֶת־אֲבִיךָ וְאֶת־אִמְךָ  
וְאֶת־אֲחִיךָ וְאֶת־כָּל־בֵּית־אֲבִיךָ  
תֵּאֱסָפִי אֵלַיךָ הַבַּיְתָה: (יט) וְהָיָה  
כָּל־אֲשֶׁר־יֵצֵא מִדִּלְתִּי  
בֵּיתְךָ | הַחוּצָה דָּמוֹ בְּרֹאשׁוֹ  
וְאִנְחֵנוּ נְקִיִּים וְכָל־אֲשֶׁר־יְהִיָּה  
אִתְּךָ בַּבַּיִת דָּמוֹ בְּרֹאשׁוֹ אִם־יֵד  
תְּהִיָּה־בּוֹ: (כ) וְאִם־תִּגִּידִי  
אֶת־דְּבָרֵנוּ זֶה וְהָיִינוּ נְקִיִּים  
מִשְׁבַּעְתְּךָ אֲשֶׁר־הִשְׁבַּעְתָּנוּ: (כא)  
וְתֹאמֶר כְּדִבְרֵיכֶם כִּן־הוּא  
וְתִשְׁלַחֶם וַיֵּלְכוּ וְתִקְשֹׁר  
אֶת־תְּקוּתֵי הַשָּׁנִי בַּחֲלוֹן: (כב)  
וַיֵּלְכוּ וַיָּבֹאוּ הָהָרָה וַיֵּשְׁבוּ שָׁם  
שְׁלֹשֶׁת יָמִים עַד־שָׁבוּ הַרְדָּפִים  
וַיִּבְקְשׂוּ הַרְדָּפִים בְּכָל־הַדֶּרֶךְ וְלֹא  
מָצְאוּ: (כג) וַיֵּשְׁבוּ שָׁנֵי הָאֲנָשִׁים  
וַיֵּרְדּוּ מִהָהָר וַיַּעֲבְרוּ וַיָּבֹאוּ  
אֶל־יְהוֹשֻׁעַ בֶּן־נֹון וַיְסַפְּרוּ־לּוֹ אֵת  
כָּל־הַמַּצָּאוֹת אֹתָם: (כד)  
וַיֹּאמְרוּ אֶל־יְהוֹשֻׁעַ כִּי־נָתַן יְהוָה  
בְּיַדְנוּ אֶת־כָּל־הָאָרֶץ וְגַם־נִמְגְּו  
כָּל־יֹשְׁבֵי הָאָרֶץ מִפְּנֵינוּ:  
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