October 3, 2026
Simkhat Torah 2026
G-d's Infinite Resources



Note tail ripped off because of near Mach 1 supersonic speed in descent. Any faster and plane would have damaged further, likely uncontrollable.

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An undated photo of Captain Smit Machchhar, captain of a flydubai flight from Dubai to Tel Aviv that suffered an emergency, mid-air, with the copilot subdued after stabbing Machchhar in an alleged attempt to crash the plane full of Israelis, September 30, 2026. (Danny Danon via X)

[from https://www.worthynews.com/117932-netanyahu-calls-flydubai-rescue-a-chain-of-miracles-with-divine-assistance]

“For Netanyahu, the remarkable convergence of events — a wounded captain managing to open the cockpit, passengers willing to charge toward danger, people aboard capable of treating the wounded, additional pilots available to take control and an aircraft surviving its violent descent — amounted to something beyond human courage alone.

“’What happened yesterday,’ Netanyahu said, ‘is a chain of miracles with divine assistance.’”

[from Rita Slobodkin’s Facebook]

With the aircraft hurtling downward, Yaniv Hayun managed to breach the cockpit with a crew member's help thanks to the Captain opening the door. Inside, chaos unfolded. Realizing a physical threat was actively compromising the flight, Yaniv did what had to be done: he fought the co-pilot, locked him in a chokehold, and dragged him out of the cockpit.

With nobody at the controls and seconds ticking away, Yaniv went back in and grabbed the yoke and pulled back to help level the aircraft.

His professional aviation experience? Zero. His qualifications? "I had seen Air Crash Investigation on TV."

Another qualified off duty pilot eventually stepped in to bring the aircraft down safely,



but Yaniv's split-second bravery and iron-willed intervention stopped a catastrophe.

Israel was not founded so that the world could better mourn Jewish victims. Israel was founded so that there would be fewer Jewish victims to mourn. From Masada to the Warsaw Ghetto to the founding of the state, a single idea runs through Jewish memory:
we cannot count on others to save us in time. Golda Meir distilled this experience into a formulation that has lost none of its edge to this day: better to be alive and criticized than dead and honored...
[Pause to thank G-d in Messiah for this deliverance. Time of the year of 9/11, Oct. 7 and 8. עם ישראל חי ***Am Yisrael Khi!!]***

Since we are talking about heroism

Built from the shoresh (root) ג-ב-ר
Creates a family of related words:

מה קורה גבר → **Ma koreh gever - What's up man?**
גבר גבר → **Gever gever - Great guy/Good man (expression of praise), "macho"**
אתה גבר → **Ata gever - You're the man**
תהיה גבר → **Tihye gever - Be a man (encouragement)**
איזה גבר→ **Eizeh gever - What a guy! (compliment)**
הסגביר → **Lehasgbir – to mansplain (**להסביר + גבר**)**
[I get emails from the Rosen school of Hebrew.
https://lp.rosenhebrewschool.com/lp-rosen-modern-hebrew-drip_ret_rosen_www_gever-en.html?cid=111444&adGroupId=-1&utm_source=Email_Marketing&utm_medium=Drip_RET_Rosen+-+WWW+Gever+03&utm_campaign=HEB_EN_EML_Drip_RET_Rosen+-+WWW+Gever_2025-02-26_111444&commChannel=1&stid=12345&hash=c8bdb8daf0b0d1714a86c5e5852b3c389fbf96e1edf4f29d20910a154fff15a3]





I'm going to do something unique in 32 years. Rukhel elegantly read and drashed on the weekly parasha. I'm going to comment on the same verses, but in a whole different direction. I'll just read the English.

View the following from a business perspective. My Dad's business had a huge task counting every buff, brush, tweezer…every December.

D'varim (Deuteronomy) 33:24 CJB

וּלְאָשֵׁר אָמַר בָּרוּךְ מִבָּנִים אָשֵׁר יְהִי רְצוּי
אֶחָיו וְטֹבֵל בַּשֶּׁמֶן רַגְלוֹ׃

Of Asher he said:
"May Asher be most blessed of sons,
may he be the favorite among his
brothers and bathe his feet in oil.

D'varim (Deuteronomy) 33:25 CJB

בַּרְזֶל וּנְחֹשֶׁת מִנְעָלֶךָ וּכְיָמֶיךָ דָּבְאֶךָ׃

"May your bolts be of iron and bronze
and your strength last as long as you live.

B'resheet (Genesis) 1:21 CJB

וַיִּבְרָא אֱלֹהִים אֶת־הַתַּנִּינִם הַגְּדֹלִים וְאֵת כָּל־נֶפֶשׁ
הַחַיָּה הָרֹמֶשֶׂת אֲשֶׁר שָׁרְצוּ הַמַּיִם לְמִינֵהֶם וְאֵת
כָּל־עוֹף כָּנָף לְמִינֵהוּ וַיַּרְא אֱלֹהִים כִּי־טוֹב׃

God created the great sea creatures and
every living thing that creeps, so that the
water swarmed with all kinds of them, and
there was every kind of winged bird; and God
saw that it was good.

B'resheet (Genesis) 1:22 CJB

וַיְבָרֶךְ אֹתָם אֱלֹהִים לֵאמֹר פְּרוּ וּרְבוּ וּמִלְאוּ
אֶת־הַמַּיִם בַּיַּמִּים וְהָעוֹף יֵרֶב בָּאָרֶץ׃

Then God blessed them, saying, "Be
fruitful, multiply and fill the water of the
seas, and let birds multiply on the earth."

B'resheet (Genesis) 1:23 CJB

וַיְהִי־עֶרֶב וַיְהִי־בֹקֶר יוֹם חֲמִישִׁי׃

So, there was evening, and there was
morning, a fifth day.

B'resheet (Genesis) 1:24 CJB

וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהִים תּוֹצֵא הָאָרֶץ נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה
לְמִינָהּ בְּהֵמָה וָרֶמֶשׂ וְחַיְתוֹ־אֶרֶץ לְמִינָהּ
וַיְהִי־כֵן׃

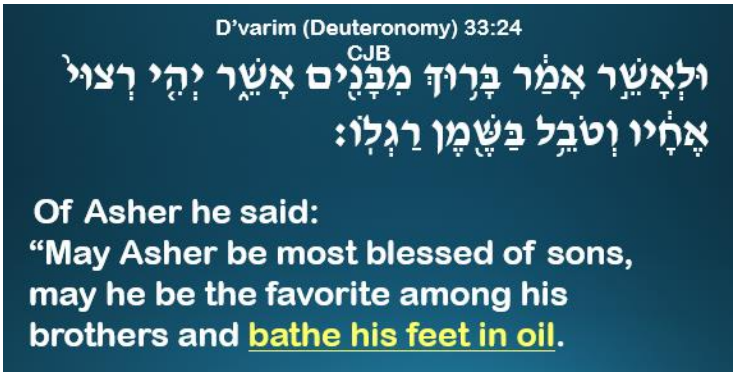
God said, "Let the earth bring forth each
kind of living creature — each kind of
livestock, crawling animal and wild
beast"; and that is how it was.

A plethora of wealth!!

Oil, iron, bronze, livestock, crawling animals, wild beasts

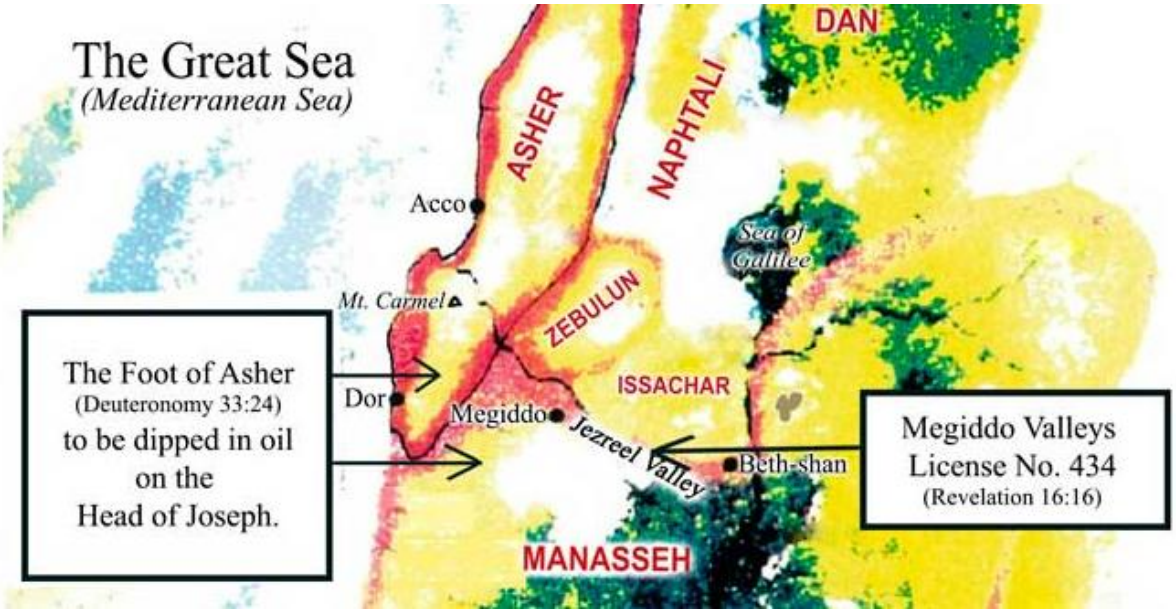






Following is a blessed effort by a Texas oil man who came to faith in Israel's Messiah, but apparently read more into the scripture than was implied. It seems scripture is talking about olive oil. Some say our literal reading of scripture of the survival of the Jews in Israel is also a wishful, idealistic misreading.

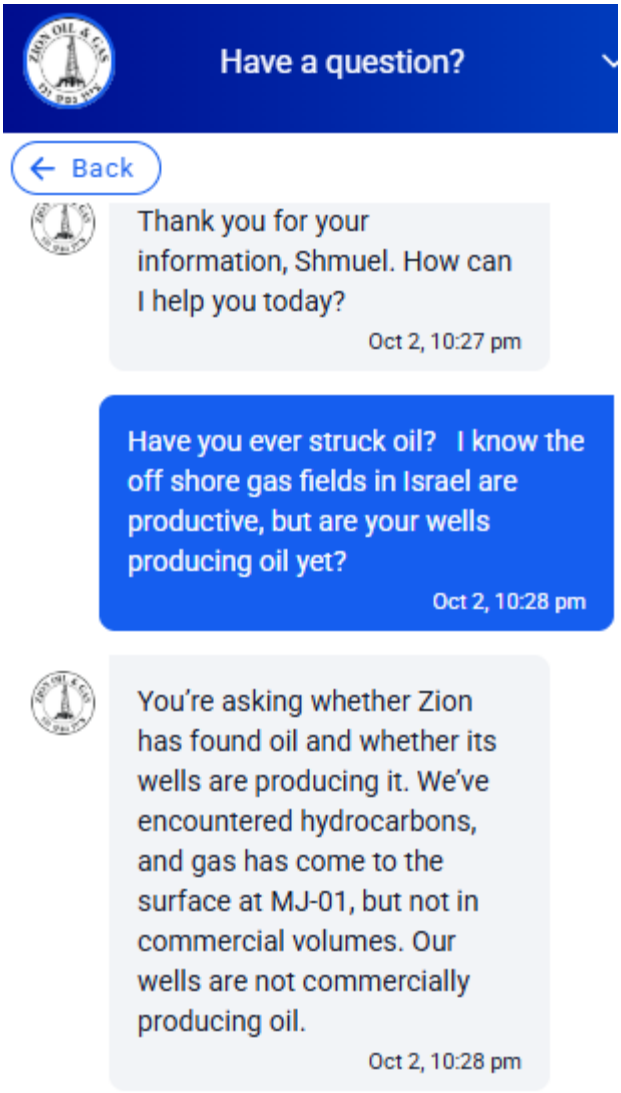
[https://www.zionoil.com/]





God called me full time to pursue the vision for the oil in December 1985 (Acts 22:14-15). So, by faith, I resigned my position at Valeron and moved to Houston, Texas to write the Vision Book (Habakkuk 2:1-3).

[https://www.zionoil.com/vision/vision-statement/founders-page/]



Some have scoffed at the survivability of Israel. A ridiculous dream. Many Israelis are leaving the country, American believers declining to go on a tour!





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[https://www.wisemoneyisrael.com/iltv-feature-inside-israels-economic-resilience/]





What Is Driving Israel's Economic Resilience?

Hello Shmuel,

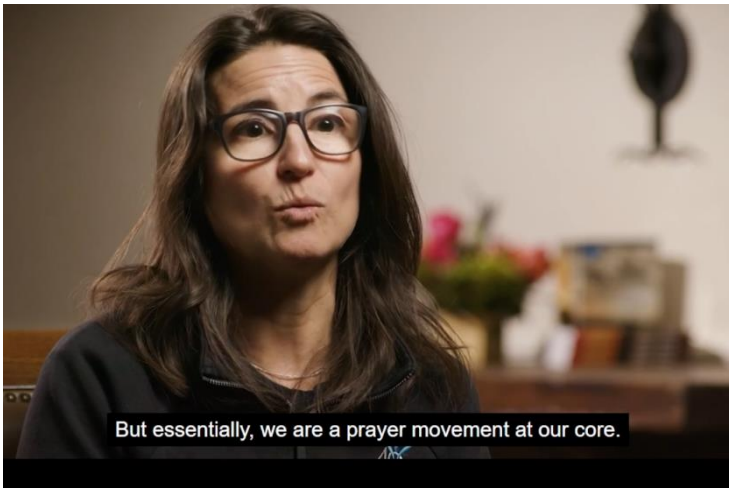
We wanted to share a new ILTV feature examining Israel's economic resilience and how its businesses and markets have continued to adapt during an extraordinarily challenging period.

When I was in Israel in 1973 there was ONE Jewish skyscraper: Shalom Tower. Now you can barely find it.





40 Days For Life, Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 7 a.m.
to 7 p.m. will be Or HaOlam's day to peacefully protest and pray on the sidewalk near the Overland Park abortion clinic (near the NW corner of College Blvd and Roe Ave)





[https://vimeo.com/1225394168?fl=pl&fe=vl]

"But essentially, we are a prayer movement at our core." 40 Days For Life

So is Or HaOlam: <u>essentially a prayer movement</u>.

Like the heroes of Flydubai Flight 1073, we have heroic servant-hearted people doing the planning and prep for the music, the tech, the Torah, the teaching. But the bottom line is the prayer.
Private prayer 10-10-10 or MUCH more.
Teerosh, particularly last Tuesday Ulises lead a powerful prayer time. PLEASE prioritize!

[from Barna Research]
"One in three young adults say they're attending services more often than a year ago—and it's not happening evenly across every group.

"Prayer tops the list of reasons young adults give for showing up, ahead of every other spiritual reason surveyed.

"The more interesting question isn't just who's returning to congregation, but what they're finding there—or hoping to find. Nearly half of young adults (45%) say <u>prayer</u> is a reason they attend services, the single most-selected spiritual reason on the list. <u>Worshiping Messiah</u> alongside other people follows at 38 percent."
[https://www.barna.com/research/young-adults-spiritual-reasons-church/?utm_campaign=37192504-Weekly%20Roundup&utm_medium=email&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-9LGyCjDjxxfWLKvzBaE86M6fq_DOu45XNjjlmbTZEDRaFea2l4ZaQ3QjF4u8p4lx4tnr10w5ldg6OdmfSP69nQgQjs_g&_hsmi=442298177&utm_content=442298177&utm_source=hs_email]

Yn 7 37-46 **Now on the last day of the festival, Hoshana Rabbah, Yeshua stood and cried out, "If anyone is thirsty, let him keep coming to me and drinking! Whoever puts his trust in me, as the Scripture says, rivers of living water will flow from his inmost being!" (Now he said this about the Spirit, whom those who trusted in him were to receive later — the Spirit had not yet been given, because Yeshua**

had not yet been glorified.) On hearing his words, some people in the crowd said, “Surely this man is ‘the prophet’”; others said, “This is the Messiah.” But others said, “How can the Messiah come from the Galil? Doesn’t the Tanakh say that the Messiah is from the seed of David and comes from Beit-Lekhem, the village where David lived?”
So the people were divided because of him. Some wanted to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him. The guards came back to the head cohanim and the P’rushim, who asked them, “Why didn’t you bring him in?” The guards replied, “No one ever spoke the way this man speaks!

There are no words like the scripture. No joy like the Spirit!
Have you received Him?
Are you actively walking with Him in His Word and Spirit by prayer?



