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Jeremy

Obviously, this is one of our most important broadcasts ever in the history of our Fellowship. We have been waiting for this. We have been preparing for this time for a long time. It feels like we're in day 3 of the Six Day War. But now we know that there are miracles like the Six Day War to try to appreciate the times that we're living in. And we are living inside a miracle. There's no other way to describe what it feels like right now. And there's so much light that it's hard to see it. Just before this Fellowship, the entire country had to run to bomb shelters as 50 ballistic missiles were fired onto Israel. And it looks like, baruch HaShem, they were all intercepted before any damage happened to Israel. But now it's a habit, like across the country. An enemy that's aiming to kill as many civilians as possible, obviously they shouldn't have a nuclear weapon. Obviously. So Israel had to act because no one else would.

And I've read military experts that say, "Never before in world history where there has been one side that has created such a dominance in less than 24 hours." And the country is more than 1,000 kilometers away. It's an impossible feat. I mean the timing and execution of the beginning of this war was flawless. Iran is a sworn enemy who calls for the annihilation of Jews around the world and the destruction of Israel constantly. They are the largest funders of terror around the world and have spread their tentacles all around the Middle East and really all around the world. They have supporters.

And the stats are as follows. Israel is the size of New Jersey. Iran is 100 times larger than Israel with a population that trounces Israel. There's over 90 million Iranians. Israel is literally David up against Goliath. But I don't think David would be able to throw the stone 1,500 kilometers away. No one thought Israel would be able to take on Iran alone. People said we needed America, we're going to have to use the other Abraham Accord countries. But this little country stood alone and shocked the world. In less than 24 hours we eliminated the senior Iranian regime officials, including the entire leadership of the Iranian Air Force who were all meeting together to plan a strike against Israel. We took out the top nuclear scientists, we already struck their nuclear facilities, there's been over 720 targeted strikes, we've destroyed their missile infrastructure in western Iran. I mean, we've devastated them. They are literally like a sitting duck and Israel dominates the air and this little country is shown to be a rising lion.

And so far, we have absolutely demoralized Iran's army. We've pretty much blocked their ability to respond very powerfully. Ballistic missiles here, one from the Houthis, one from Chezbollah, but we are slowly but surely taking apart the evil regime that calls for the death of America, the death of the Jews, the death of the infidel. Anyone who's not exactly like them, they are on a manhunt and Israel is the first line of defense.

And there are reports right now that the leadership of the regime is escaping Iran, maybe to Russia, we don't exactly know where. But all of the airports are shut, all of the airports are closed, and they saw jets leaving Iran and it's exactly what Assad did. Assad, the President of Syria escaped to Russia. So the heads of Iran may be fleeing which means that the fate of Iran may very well be the fate of Syria. And we may see an actual regime change and that would be the beginning of a totally new day for the Middle East.

But this, I just want to share what it feels like right now to be in Israel. All of you love Israel, all of you have tuned now, all of you want now to tap into the pulse of the feelings of what it's like being in Israel now. And aside from us not sleeping very much during the nights here because we have to be in our bomb shelters and we have six kids and it's a little bit tight and it's just not very comfortable. This is a clip from one of Israel's most popular mainstream TV channels. It's the closest thing we have to a Fox News, a conservative channel in Israel. But it's mainstream, it's in every home in Israel, it's one of the most popular TV channels in the country. And I want you to check this out because it's something you can really only see in Israel. And I've never seen anything like it before. And so we are entering into new times. Check out this clip from channel 14 in Israel.



I would like for a moment with your permission, we are a nation of believers. The tradition of Israel of great faith. I don't think there is another country that could go through what we're going through in the way we are handling it. We are still in the fight and the fight will be

long. But we cannot continue without giving gratitude and thanks for miracles and wonders we are witnessing. They are beyond the comprehension of each and every one of us. And for that we must say a Psalm of thanks. The quote, Psalm 100, Mizmor L'todah. A Psalm of Thanksgiving. Make a joyful shout to the Lord, all you lands! Serve the Lord with happiness; come before His Presence with singing. Know that the Lord, He is God. It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves. We are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Be thankful to Him, and bless His Name. For the Lord is good, His mercy is everlasting. And His truth endures to all generations. (end of video)

Jeremy

You see, it's truly unbelievable what's happening in Israel is unprecedented. The spirit of Israel is on the rise, it's like we've been unleashed. And the last two nights were rough. Not much sleep for me and Tehila and the kids. We spent all of Friday night in our bomb shelter as we're hearing booms all around us. And Saturday night we saw a video of a group of Israelis and how they spent their time in their communal shelter under their apartment building. And Tabitha aired it for just a little bit on the slide show, but for those who missed the slide show, you have got to see this video of just regular Israelis and how they spend their time together in a bomb shelter. Check this out.

(video)



I mean what a people Israel. It's a miracle that after more than 600 days of war in Gaza, Lebanon, Yemen, Syria, and now Iran, the people of Israel are in the bomb shelter in the middle of the night. And what are they doing? They're singing praises to God for loving them. And that is the heart of Israel and that's why we are going to remove the evil from this world and set a new path forward for the entire world.

But with those people, I want us to all enter into prayer, to enter into prayer for Israel, to enter into prayer for the soldiers, for the Israeli Air Force, for God's protection. We saw what damage just one missile hitting Israel can have. And so hundreds of ballistic missiles, they're huge, they destroy neighborhoods if they hit them. And so, let's together as a Fellowship now with over 200 people from all over the world that have come together for this live broadcast. So thank you all for coming and let's kind of bring us all together from around the world and be a real Iron Dome for the people of Israel.

HaShem, we come before You with hearts full of awe and gratitude. Thank You for the miracles that we're witnessing in these days, for the courage, for the strength, and the protection You've granted to Israel in the face of such great danger. We thank You for the success of the recent strikes and for the lives that You have spared. HaShem, we see Your Hand at work in the shifting tides of history. We pray now for the fall of this evil regime that spreads hatred and violence and for the rise of justice, truth, and compassion and love. May this be the beginning of a new chapter. One where swords are turned into plowshares, where righteous neighbors become allies, where Your peace flows like a river through the Middle East and throughout the world, and a King arrives in Israel and judges every nation and sets the world straight. HaShem, we place our hope in You alone. Continue to guard Your people, bring healing to the wounded, comfort to the grieving, and wisdom to our leaders. HaShem, may You bless everyone in this

Fellowship right now who is standing with us in these times, praying with us in these times. Remember them, remember their families, guide them, and bring them all back to Jerusalem to celebrate together. Bless them, bless their families, protect them as we enter into these volatile times. May we continue to shine a light of Torah and unity and love together, a love of eretz Yisrael, Your Promised Land. May this Land bring peace to the entire world. May we shine Your light of redemption from Israel to the four corners of the earth. Amen.

All right my friends, I've given you the feeling a little bit of the spiritual energy that's in the air here in Israel. And you know Israel attacked missile factories, but we were attacked, specifically they were attacking civilians. And I want to give you a feel for what it was like last night in Israel. There were hundreds of ballistic missiles fired in Israel. Each one of those missiles are massive. It's not like a little mortar shot from Gaza. They can literally take down an entire apartment building and the buildings around that apartment building. And that's sadly what happened in Bat Yam last night. Check this video out.

(video)



You know Israel attacked missile factories, nuclear sites, military bases. Iran primarily targeted civilians, trying to kill as many Jews as they possibly could, similar to Hitler. And that is the defining difference. Imagine attaching a nuclear warhead to one of those missiles being shot on civilian populations. They wouldn't hesitate, that's why Israel had to take them out.

And it's also noteworthy just to pay attention. The UN, the human rights groups, and all the other fake moral voices of the world, they haven't condemned Iran...total silence for targeting and murdering civilians as they barraged Israel with more than 500-700 rockets, ballistic missiles were shot specifically trying to kill civilians, and the world was totally silent.

And so, you just know that Israel will always be the Abraham. We will always be on the other side, but truth is with us, God is with us, and we will stand alone and HaShem is the Master of Legions, He's the Master of the Armies of Israel. And when we act by our calling, miracles can happen. And so, with that, I want to invite Ari to join us here on the Fellowship. I don't know if he made it live right now because he's on the other side of the world, but I hope that he's here and I would love to hear what his perspective is, how he sees this war unfolding from the other side of the world. Ahhh...there he is! Amazing. Ari, it's so good to see you, so please share what you're going through, what's happening, why you're there, what's going on.

Ari

All right, so hi everybody, I was conflicted about whether or not to even be on the Fellowship right now. And if I did come to the Fellowship, whether I should try to really dig deep and put on a strong, confident face right now. Like fake it till you make it. But the truth is, that I can barely breath, that's the truth. On the one hand, I'm so proud of Israel, I'm so grateful to HaShem for the miracles. I am. But I'm also really disappointed in myself. On some level I'm really ashamed of myself to the degree that this is just my personal situation is eclipsing all of that. I'm stranded here in America. You know me, I never leave Israel, I always tell everybody that comes to Israel, I'm like, "You're going back to America? Why would you go there? Like HaShem doesn't operate on your time line. You're going to finish university in two years and this is the time to stay. You don't want to be stuck over there." It's like my thing.

But I left because I really felt like there's a mission that I needed to do for Israel, and the Jewish people. And the people that love me the most, that understand me the most, that I respect the most really were like encouraging me and saying this is the right thing to do. I felt like I needed to be here for am Yisrael, for America, for the world, for HaShem, not on a grandiose level, just my own personal mission. But I am stuck here right now and I'm really in great, great distress.

And there's this tectonic shift going on that are moving towards redemption. But just right now I just want to be with my family. You know me, if I were there right now on the Farm, and the missiles were coming in, and I was able to protect my family, I was able to comfort them, and hold them, and be with them, my distress would be minimal, and my faith would be high. I know that about myself. I know that because I've been there, again and again. I look up at the sky and I see the missiles, and I just know that HaShem's Hand is shielding us and protecting us and this is part of the unfolding redemption. I know that, but I'm here now.

And while I know in my head that HaShem has me here for a reason and that nothing, nothing, especially something of this magnitude is an accident...while I know that in my head, it has yet to fully penetrate my heart. We're here in this world to know in your head and bring into your heart. But there are just things, you know, don't get me wrong, I have my moments. I woke up this morning and Shaena video called me. And I just wasn't ready for it. I turned on the phone and I saw my children playing in the living room and Shiloh said, "Abba!" And I just had to hang up and just weep because I wasn't ready for it.

But then I was able to thank HaShem for being stuck here right now, knowing that this is happening to me for a reason and it must be for the good. I was able to thank HaShem for this, but I'm not living there and I'm not like in that place, I'm just in great distress. And I think the thought of embracing my wife and my children, it just seems like a personal redemption for me.

I've never yearned for anything so much in my life. And maybe that's why I'm here. Maybe this exact situation, it is, I walk around knowing it is the Achille's Heel in my faith. It's my weak spot, my wife and my children are my weak spot. And HaShem doesn't want us to have weak spots. He wants us to cleave to Him with all that we have and hold nothing back. And so, I can't help but to just feel like that's part of the reason why I'm here.

And you know, all of this is about the Beit HaMikdash, it's about the Temple, it's about making a home for HaShem in this world and by doing that in Yerushalyim, on the Temple Mount, that home for HaShem will resonate to all of the world, to all of humanity. And it's about the Beit HaMikdash and you know if HaShem brings me back to my family in peace and in health and brings us together, I will HAVE to build the Beit HaMikdash because without it I can't offer a zevach todah, I can't offer a thanksgiving sacrifice and nothing will be able to express my gratitude to the level of gratitude I would have for that other than that. So, maybe that's what it's about. It's what needed to happen just to get ME to build it.

You know, just me, I'm sure like so many Jews around the world, so many are feeling it. But you know each one of us, we're each fractals of the greater...and so I'm just very, very difficult place, trying to keep myself together, trying to hold it all together right now. Because the yearning in my heart is so great, and it feels like I'm just not able to breathe. And so, I appreciate your friendship and your love and your prayers and that's it. I don't have any dvar Torahs about the parsha, I don't have like anything profound to say other than just begging HaShem to bring me home and bring us all home. So I love you guys so much, I've so many of your WhatsApps and your messages and please forgive me if I don't respond and just anything that is not from El Al, anything that is not about various alternative routes, I'm trying to determine about how to get there, whether it's through Aman or through Cyprus or whatever, if it's not towards that, I just can't even open anything or look at anything. So it's not from a lack of great love, it's just from saying focus right now. Anyways I love you so much and HaShem should bless you and protect you. Thank you.

Jeremy

Ari, thank you so much for joining us and I want you to know that this week's Torah portion is Shelach. And I was going to end the Fellowship with this idea, but I really feel like just hearing you, it IS the essence of the Torah portion. It was the greatest sin in the desert, not the golden calf, it was the sin of the spies who came back with an evil report against Israel and then the Israelites did not want to go into the Land.

And now, there are 60,000 Israelis that are stuck outside of Israel. And you've heard Ari's heart. All he wants is to get back to the Land in the middle of a war zone. And in the middle of what

might be WWIII. And what seems to be the most dangerous place in the world. All he wants is to make it back to the Land of Israel and so do thousands of other Israelis. And that is the final rectification, fixing of the sins of the spies, because now it's everywhere on the news. Israel is being barraged with ballistic missiles, and who knows what might be next. China and Russia may get involved and people are still trying to get back into this Land.

And so, if that was the greatest of all sins that created the initial 9th of Av that both Temples were destroyed, maybe now in Parashat Shelach, as all the Israelis are trying their very best to get back to this Land, in the middle of what seemingly is the most dangerous time in Israel's history, that's the final tikkun. That really is the final rectification.

And when we talk about final rectification, I think it's important that every war has a final line. Every war needs to have a goal that you can achieve, that you can triumphantly declare victory. In Gaza for example, Israel has not clearly defined its goal. And in that way it's impossible to achieve victory. The only possible victory in Gaza is to declare Israeli sovereignty, reclaim the Gaza strip and settle it with Jewish communities. I think Trump had a clearer vision for Gaza than Israel.

But now, what about Iran? What is the ultimate achievement that is a victory? I mean we've delayed their nuclear plans for many years already, but that's just kicking the can down the road. What is actual victory? And so, in my opinion, the only true victory and it's now being spoken about more and more, the only victory is the end of this radical Muslim, theocratic, Chamas-supported regime. And the liberation of the Iranian people. That's what will be victory. If this war leads to the Iranian people rising up and freeing themselves from the Ayatollah, it looks like that's what Bibi's going for now. He's going for the gold. It will be an entirely new Middle East. This was Prime Minister Netanyahu's message to the Iranian people just a few hours ago. Check this out.

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Tonight I wish to speak to you about the people of Iran. We're in the midst of one of the greatest military operations in history – Operation Rising Lion. The Islamic regime which has oppressed you for nearly 50 years, threatens to destroy my country, the State of Israel. The objective of Israel's military operation is to remove the threat, both the nuclear threat and the ballistic missile threat to Israel. And as we achieve our objectives, we're also clearing the path for you to achieve your objective which is freedom. In the past 24 hours, we've taken

out top military commanders, senior nuclear scientists, the Islamic regime's most significant enrichment facility, and a large portion of its ballistic missile arsenal. More is on the way. The regime doesn't know what hit them, they don't know what WILL hit them. The nation of Iran and the nation of Israel have been true friends since the days of Cyrus the Great. And the time has come for you to unite around your flag, and your historic legacy by standing up for your freedom from an evil and oppressive regime. It has never been weaker. This is your opportunity to stand up. Let your voices be heard. Woman, life, freedom. (Arabic) As I said yesterday and many times before, Israel's fight is not with you, the brave people of Iran whom we respect and admire. Our fight is with our common enemy, a murderous regime that both oppresses you and impoverishes you. Brave people of Iran, your light will defeat the darkness. I am with you, the people of Israel are with you.

Jeremy

We are living through history, my friends. I mean Netanyahu is calling the Iranian people to rise up and overthrow their theocratic, radical, Islamic government and establish freedom for their people. And you know, Lebanon is in shambles, Gaza is ruined, Syria is devastated, Yemen is in flames and totally impoverished. What do all of them have in common? Iranian interference. Iran is an unelected, unrecognized, and responsible for destabilizing the Middle East and the world. They've held their own people hostage for more than 40 years. Women are beaten for their hair. Men are imprisoned without trial. Children are buried without any real reason, they are monsters. And were moments away from threatening the entire world with nuclear bombs. The world should line up and thank Israel for doing what no one else was willing to or capable of doing. The world is a safer place now because of Israel.

And Israel has called on the United States to join them. But until now, Israel is still acting all alone. Even though Iran bombed the US embassy in Beirut, killing 63 people and murdered 241 Marines and plotted to assassinate President Trump, they regularly torch American flags and chant death to America, chant first the Saturday people, then the Sunday people. They refer to America as the great satan. So why is Israel fighting this war alone? Because HaShem is the Master of Legions. America shouldn't take any of the credit. Only God deserves the credit for what's happening right now.

And so much of the world can't see that this is a war between good and evil. So many lies, they're wrapped up in so much propaganda against Israel. Gaza has been enduring a starvation for more than 600 days, but has fewer starvation deaths than the United States. Israel has been indiscriminately bombing Gaza that has the lowest civilian casualty rate in all modern warfare. Israel is committing genocide while we're providing 3,000 calories per person per day during the

war. And the Gaza population is continuing to grow over the years. It's all libels, it's all fake, it's all a PR comparing of evil.

And there have been zero condemnations against Iran. It's just unbelievable. Last night, the latest count is that 10 people are confirmed dead from the Iranian missile that hit Bat Yam. Two hundred people are injured. And the latest report that I saw is that three are still missing, probably under the rubble of the collapsed apartment building. An entire Arab Christian family was killed as a missile destroyed their home and the world is totally silent, not a word.

Just to give you guys a perspective, this is the damage that one Iranian missile that slipped by the Iron Dome caused in a civilian population. What you're about to see is the damage from one missile. Imagine thousands of missiles. How many people would have been killed? We are living inside a miracle. Check this out.





Just so unbelievable. You know Tehila and I have been up now for two nights making sure that our children that are fast asleep in the middle of the night make it to the bomb shelter. And it seems like many of the people that were killed in the last Iranian attack, they didn't make it to the bomb shelter because their children were asleep and they didn't want to wake them up. And I absolutely understand them. It's been more than 600 days of bomb shelters and people are just exhausted and they think, "What are the chances that it's going to hit my exact apartment, exactly right here at the Farm on the mountain?" And so, people just kept on sleeping and the tragedy struck.

But thank God, our family has a rock and her name is Tehila Gimpel. She is the strongest person I've ever met who seems to rise to every challenge. And today she was taking care of Ari's baby, Mordecai Shimshon, just to give Shaena a break as Ari is still stuck in America. But she said she wanted to reach out to our Fellowship with a short message and just an idea. And I know that you would want to hear from her to hear the matriarch of our Fellowship and let her share some Torah and insight with you.

Tehila

Hey everyone. So, I just want to first of all thank you. It's so nice to see everyone. And I know that everybody is worrying about us and sending their kind words and sending their prayers and it just, it really means so much to us. It gives us a lot of strength. And it's hard to find words and to think clearly at a time like this because honestly there's so much to do and so little to say. There are so many people that need help and kids that need comforting and words just seem kind of meaningless or empty, like in the magnitude of what we're going through. What can you possibly say that would be worth saying?

So, the first thing was, I just wanted to show you for a moment. I just kind of said to Jeremy, "I don't know what to say. I don't have any words of wisdom. We're in such tremendous times. Like what little things can I think to say?" Ok, so he said, "Why don't you share your heart, your experience?" So I just wanted to show you for a moment what last night looked like outside of our house.



So that was from our front door. And this is a little picture we just grabbed during the day time.



That's what it looks like, that's what a rocket looks like getting intercepted in the daytime. And the video is what it looks like in the nighttime. And it's all so disoriented cuz you're sleep deprived and you're running to bomb shelters all night long with the kids. And it's easy to forget that we're

living in a miracle. We're witnessing the greatest miracles in Jewish history.

And you know, I just want to kind of add to Ari and Jeremy that as we read this portion, it's so strange because the people who are saying that they're afraid to go into the Land are the same people who are living, not in a memory of God's protection, but actually in God's protection. People who had a pillar of fire at night and a pillar of cloud by day. But when you're inside of it, it just becomes normal. When you look at the map, you see tiny Israel and huge Iran and you wonder, how did those people in the portions say, "There are giants in the Land and we can't fight these giants!" I mean, you can kind of understand it when you look at the map.

And the challenge is to remember, just like it says in our portion, that the Land is very, very good. And in this Land, we don't live by the laws of nature. Only by HaShem's protection. And suddenly when I was looking, we were in the bomb shelter, and the reason I shared that video and that picture with you guys, is while we were sitting in the bomb shelter, we were kind of looking through our phone at these different videos and pictures. And one of the kids said while we're in the bomb shelter, this is like two hours ago, he said, "Can I go outside and look at

the missiles?" And I said, "No, you can't. We have instructions that we have to be inside the bomb shelter." And then one of my other kids said, "Well, you can't even see the missiles during the daytime because at night they look like fire." And then one of the other kids said, "Of course you can see them. They look like clouds." And as the kids were arguing if missiles look like fire or if missiles look like clouds, suddenly it hit me like, "Oh my gosh, how did I not realize this? The cloud of protection in the day and the pillar of fire at night. If only you have eyes to see it. You see, we're actually living the biblical reality of HaShem's protection. It's just you have to have the right eyes to see."

And I saw something really cool today because you know the first Rashi in the Torah, you know the first explanation of Rashi on the very first verse in the Torah is he says, "HaShem will give the Land to he who is fit in His eyes." To the one who is righteous in His eyes. And that's usually understood as being HaShem will give the Land to whoever is righteous in the eyes of HaShem or fit in the eyes of HaShem.

But it actually can be read also as being fit in his eyes. The person who is fit in his eyes, the person is righteous in his eyes. Like if you have righteous eyes, if you have fit eyes, then that's the one who will be deserving of getting the Land. Because you have to have properly functioning, godly vision to actually see the Land properly. And that's who gets the Land. We have people clamoring to run away and clamoring to come home like Ari. It's the same war zone. It's the same reality. It just depends what eyes you have to see it.

The spies all spied the same place. They saw the same giants, they saw the same fruits, they saw the same facts. They didn't go at different times, but some of them said, "It's a Land that eats its inhabitants." And some of them said, "The Land is very, very good." Same Land, they had the same spying itinerary, just different eyes. God gives the Land to the one who is fit in his eyes. And you're fit in HaShem's eyes to be in the Land when you have godly eyes. So, I think our number one challenge right now is to just maintain being in a state of awe and gratitude even as we mourn harrowing losses to see that HaShem's Hand is guiding this. We have pillars of clouds in the day and pillars of fire at night, to just recognize the miracles every time we see them.

And a second thing I want to share, you know this war has been named Rising Lion. And it's after the verse in the book of Numbers when Balaam wants to curse us and he blesses us instead and he says:

Behold, a people rises like a lioness, and lifts itself like a lion; it shall not lie down until it devours prey and drinks the blood of the slain.

So until it devours its prey and drinks the blood of the slain, when our enemies mean to curse us, a war that starts on pickup trucks in the kibbutzs of the south, trying to curse us, ends up 600 days later with us turning into a rising lion.

-Bamidbar 23:24

And I want to finish with just the words of the Ramchal, Rabbi Moshe Chaim Luzzato. I read something really cool today. Because you know when a baby is born, the name is like their essence. And the mystical tradition teaches that parents get a moment of prophecy when their child is born to give them the exactly perfect name for them. I think the same is true when a leader names a war. And I don't think it's a coincidence that this war is named Rising Lion because the Ramchal actually says, this is 250 years ago that he said this.

Ramchal - Rabbi Moshe Chaim Luzzatto (from Otzrot Ramchal, Parashat Balak)

It is already known that Israel must go through many wars before they will rest from their labor.

And the final war will be.... when Israel will rise up like a lion and a lioness to take vengeance against the nations that oppressed them in exile.

For as long as there is accusation, it steals lights from holiness and brings them to the Sitra Achra.

But at the time of rectification, it takes the sparks from the Sitra Achra and brings them into holiness.

And they are called "slain" because by themselves they have nothing at all; their life depends on the actions of people, as is known.

And when there is no longer any corruption in people's actions, then everything will move toward rectification, and there will no longer be a place for the Sitra Achra to stand—not even for a single moment.

And at that time it will be said:

"He will swallow up death forever, and Hashem will wipe away tears from every face, and remove the disgrace of His people from all the earth—for Hashem has spoken."

-Yeshayahu 25:8

He says there's going to be a number of wars, not just one war. The Ramchal tells us prophetically from the mystical tradition that the last war will be Israel rising like a lion just like it says in the verse from the curse which actually was a blessing of Balaam. And I think that's so interesting because he's telling us that there's going to be this final vengeance where we rise up like a lion. Now I can guarantee you that our government and our Prime Minister did not have time to be going through the Ramchal when they were naming this war. But it's kind of this prophetic intuition.

And he goes on...it's a little bit cryptic, but I think we can tease some meaning out of it.

The Sitra Achra in mystical terms means the other side, like the satanic side, the dark side. The Ramchal tells us there will be a time in the end, in the final war where Israel rises like a lion. But when such large things are happening, we can feel so small. But what does he say? He says when there's this moment in time that comes, everyone needs to go through a rectification, like a personal rectification. Because every single person, every single action can actually affect cosmic actions.

You know, we're in this cosmic time like when, Netanyahu, right before the war broke out was at the Western Wall putting in a prayer to the Western Wall. And as soon as the strike started, the Ayatollah posted on the official Iranian message, he said, "In the name of allah, the most merciful..." We're not in a regular war, we're in a cosmic war, but we're not small in this war. The Ramchal tells us there's going to be a war where Israel rises like a lion, but the thing that every person can do is to just accept upon themselves something. This is actually, Ari, I told this to you. I sent this to you in a private message. He said, "How do I get back? Help me get back." I said, "It's not in our hands." I said, "You have to make HaShem an offer that He can't refuse." I said, "This is a moment where everybody knows in their heart something that's a little dark, that they're doing wrong, that it would be really painful to stop doing. That little vice, that little thing that you know, you know that you should be doing it. But you really like doing it, you really want to keep doing it, it's too hard."

And when your back is against the wall, that's when you actually say to HaShem, "Fine. For the sake of Israel's honor, for the sake of victory, for the sake of goodness, for the sake of this moment in time that we've merited to be in the generation of, I'm going to fix that thing." Ramchal says that by each person rectifying that thing, rectifying that thing in their life that they know that they need to fix, we push away the Sitra Achra, that's the satanic side, the dark side in the mystical teachings. We push that away and that has less strength. And we know that we need every bit of godly protection.

So that is my sort of my plea to myself, my plea to all of us, that we just find that one thing and accept upon ourselves for the protection of the people of Israel, for the protection of the soldiers, for the protection of the Mossad, for the protection of the righteous people themselves in Iran that are ready to fight against their evil regime, for the victory and for the sanctification, first and foremost of God's Name in the world, for everybody to take that little thing upon themselves that they know they need to do, and let's all as a Fellowship together just bring holiness and push away the side of darkness with all of the strength that we possibly have.

So with that, I'm sending you guys love, you guys are sending me a lot of strength. I'm sending it right back to you. Let's all be in prayer together, non-stop every moment of every day, fixing ourselves and crying out to HaShem for just the greatest miracle in human history. Bye guys.

Jeremy

Tehila said she didn't have anything to say. And you see, it's like unbelievable. I actually saw the light bulb go off in her head when she's like, "The pillar of fire at night and the clouds by day." We're watching these streaks of fire that are being exploded and then the clouds that are protecting us, and there's just no other way to explain it other than we are living in prophetic times, we are living in biblical times and Israel is rising like a lion.

And I guess a question like, how has Israel been so successful at this war? They say that in the merit of the women of valor, the righteous women, Israel will be saved. And living with Tehila, that just seems very true to me. It's only in her merit that my family is being saved. She's so good and she's such a woman of valor.

But aside from the greatest Air Force in the world, so much more has gone into this operation. And I keep on thinking about the myopic left in Israel. They were tying Netanyahu's hands behind his back, making him go to court several times a week because of cigars and positive media coverage 10 years ago on a website. It's hard to believe that the left was doing everything they could to take him down. And he had to plan, move, navigate international politics with Trump, planning this surprise attack with Mossad agents, a thousand kilometers away.

CNN a few years ago uncovered that Iran established a secret service in a unit to target Mossad agents within Iran. And it turned out that the head of that unit worked for the Mossad and he himself with another 20 agents were operating that entire secret service agency. But aside from an amazing sophisticated network of spies that were double agents because there's so many people that are against the regime in Iran. They were just waiting to assist anyone that would help them overthrow the regime. Israel has been working on this plan for years, waiting for the right moment to strike.

And HaShem is the Master of Legions. And it's remarkable to see the unprecedented in history. To see the Hand of HaShem when Israel does what it's called to do. And you know, this week's Torah portion that we launched the war at was Baha'alotcha. And in 1981, 40 some odd years ago, Israel at the same exact Torah portion, bombed the Osirak reactor. This is a letter from Rabbi Tvi Yehuda who was sort of the spiritual head. He was the son of the first chief rabbi of Israel. And he writes the leader of the settler movement calling to settle every centimeter of

the Land of Israel. He addressed the destruction of Saddam Hussein's nuclear reactor in Irag, also carried out by the Israeli Air Force in a bold preemptive strike.

And this is what he writes – "This operation is a sanctification of God's name in the world, just as the lighting of the menorah and the Mishkan represented the spreading of Divine light of truth, so too the act of protecting Jewish life in the Land of Israel with clarity, with courage, with Divine purpose is itself a form of light. It is our sacred duty. This is not politics. This is prophecy unfolding. "

And he ends saying, "Remember that it is He, God, who gives you the strength to wage war."

And so there is something about prophecy and pattern that in perfect prophetic pattern, we're walking in the footsteps of our fathers and mothers. On the parsha of Beha'alotcha, when we light the candles of the menorah, more than 40 years ago, we stood alone and saved the world from Saddam Hussein attaining nuclear weapons. Now we've done the same in this generation.

And what makes this war so different? In this week's Torah portion, Numbers 10, verses 35 and 36:

out, that Moses said: "Rise up, O Lord! Let Your enemies be scattered, And let those who hate You flee before You."

So it was, whenever the ark set That verse is said every Shabbat, every time the people of Israel take the Torah out of the ark and read it on Shabbat. We read that exact verse.

> And the Torah tells us when the Jewish people begin to move forward in formation with the ark of the covenant leading

them, the cloud of God rests above them by day, fire guides them by night, and no enemy can come against us. And we are up now against our greatest adversary and our biggest threat. And God is called HaShem Tzva'ot, Master of Legions, He's a Master of War. But only through decisive action can evil actually be done away with.

And we are precisely targeting the enemy and they're ruthlessly trying to kill as many Jews as possible. The ark, the Torah, goes before us and it will scatter our enemies. You know, Prime Minister Netanyahu went to the Kotel the day before the strike and called this war a biblical name – Rising Lion, based on the blessing given to Israel in the Torah. And the first statement made by the leader of Iran like Tehila said was, "This is all a war in the name of allah."

And so we are in a spiritual battle, in a spiritual showdown, and Israel right now is operating alone. America is not helping, the United Kingdom is not helping. In fact, Russia and China are assisting Iran. Israel is up against the axis of evil in the world. And Israel is taking them on alone because against impossible odds, the only one to give thanks to, the only one to be in awe of, the only one that deserves the praise is God. And the God of Israel and the truth of Who the Creator of the world is, Who is the King is being revealed to the world now. The scam of allah being the greatest is now being revealed as an absolute lie. And the tiny Israel, less than 100 times the size of Iran, is slowly but surely dismantling that evil regime.

And in Numbers chapter 10, this week's Torah portion, verse 8, it says:

"When you go to war in your land against the enemy who oppresses you, then you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets, and you will be remembered before the Lord your God, and you will be saved from your enemies."

At the beginning of the war, I saw this video from the Kotel. It doesn't promise victory, but it says, when you sound the trumpets, when you sound the shofar, you are calling on God to remember us, to remember His promise and to save us.

And at the very beginning of the war, this is what happened right under the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.





When you go out to war in your land against the enemy who oppresses you, you shall sound an alarm with the trumpets and you will be remembered before the Lord your God and you will be saved from your enemies. That is exactly what's happening right now. We are in the midst of a spiritual war against a spiritual enemy and Israel is now digging deep into its spiritual resources and bringing out the light.

And I want to just dedicate this last Torah to Ari because this week's Torah portion, we are literally going to the darkest moment in the Torah's history. It wasn't the sin of the golden calf, it wasn't Korach trying to overthrow Moses, it wasn't a rebellion or complaining. It was when the spies came back and gave an evil report about the Land. That sin of the spies, coming back with a negative report caused the Israelites to spend the next 40 years and die in the desert.

And what we are experiencing now is the rectification of that sin. The gravest sin to the greatest victory. There are thousands of Israelis like Ari that are stuck out of Israel and they are a living testimony that Israel wants this Land, that Israel is a part of this Land. Every other war in the world, when war breaks out, people are fleeing the Ukraine, people are running away from a war zone. And in Israel, we want to be in the heart of the storm. This is where the refuge is, this is where Hashem resides, and this is where our destiny will unfold.

The sin of the spies on the 9th of Av was the worst of all sins. And we are still paying for that sin until this very day. Every 9th of Av, the first Temple was destroyed on the 9th of Av, the second Temple was destroyed on the 9th of Av, the beginning of the disengagement from Gaza, which led to October 7th, was on the 9th of Av. And now, almost 2,000 Israelis have come back by boat. They flew to Cyprus and took a boat back to Israel. They are so dead set on getting back to this Land. But there are 60,000 Israelis outside of the land, signing up to come back on charter flights, and I know that Ari, because he's a reserve soldier, he's really at the top of the list. And I do pray and believe that he will be coming home soon.

But with that, my friends, in these historic times, in these unprecedented times, in the times where we are in day three of a Six Day War, it feels so unbelievable that we are at the gateway to a new era in the Middle East, in a new era in the world. We can see peace agreements with Lebanon and Syria and Saudi Arabia and soon with Iran. There will be a new world and Israel will have been a little savior that went up against a giant monster and defeated them.

And so, with that, I want to bless you from this Land that you took time to tune in live, to be a part of what's happening here in the and of Israel. And so, may HaShem bless you and bless your families, and may your attachment to Israel, sowing with tears, may you reap with joy, and may we all celebrate together in a new Jerusalem.

Aaronic blessing (Hebrew)

May HaShem guard you and protect you. May HaShem shine His light and His countenance upon you. May HaShem lift His countenance upon you and bless you with shalom.

May Hashem bless all of Israel with shalom. And may we remove evil from the world. Shalom, my friends. Stay tuned and we'll keep you posted as this war develops.