

|20| By Emunah Yitzchak invoked brachot with respect to future events on Ya'akov and Esav.

|21| By Emunah Ya'akov, as he was dying, gave a bracha to each of the banim of Yosef and VYISHTAKHU YISROEL ("And Yisroel worshiped" BERESHIS 47:31).

|22| By Emunah Yosef, as he was dying, dermohn (made mention) of the Yetzi'at Bnei Yisroel (the Going Out, the Exodus of Bnei Yisroel) and he gave instructions concerning his ATZMOT (bones, BERESHIS 50:25).

|23| By Emunah, Moshe Rabbeinu, when he was born, was hidden SHELOSHA CHODESHIM [SHEMOT 2:2] because they saw he was a yeled TOV (SHEMOT 2:2) and they had no pachad (terror) at the king's decree.

|24| By Emunah, Moshe Rabbeinu, when he had grown, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

|25| Choosing rather to endure redifah (persecution) with the Am Hashem than to enjoy the ephemeral ta'anugot (pleasures) of averos for a season.

|26| For Moshe Rabbeinu considered abuse and tzoros for the sake of Rebbe, Melech HaMoshiach greater osher (riches) than the otzar (treasure) of Mitzrayim (Egypt), for he had respect unto the recompense of the sachar (reward).

|27| By Emunah, Moshe Rabbeinu departed from Mitzrayim (Egypt), not having pachad (fear) of the ka'as (anger) of the king, for he persevered as seeing the One who is unseen.

|28| By Emunah, Moshe Rabbeinu kept Pesach and the sprinkling of the dahm [on the mezuzot, SHEMOT 12:22], for fear that the Destroyer of the

Bechorim might destroy them.

|29| By Emunah, they went through the Yam Suf as through YABASHAH (dry ground, BERESHIS 1:10); and those of Mitzrayim (Egypt), when they attempted it, were drowned. [MICHOH 7:19]

|30| By Emunah, the walls of Yericho fell down, after they had been encircled for shivat yamim.

|31| By Emunah, Rachav the Zonah did not perish along with the ones without mishma'at (obedience), after she gave the kabbalat panim to the spies b'shalom (YEHOSHUA 2:9f).

|32| And what more shall I say? For the time will fail me if I tell of Gid'on, Barak, Shimshon, Yiftach, Dovid, Shmuel and the Nevi'im,

|33| Who by Emunah conquered mamlechet (kingdoms), worked tzedek (righteousness), obtained havtachot (promises), shut the mouths of arayot (lions), |34| Quenched the power of eish (fire), escaped from the edge of the cherev (sword), out of weakness found strength, became mighty in milchamah (war), put to flight tzive'ot zarim (armies of the aliens).

|35| Nashim received back their mesim restored to Chayyim; and others were tortured to death al kiddush ha-Shem, not accepting their release, in order that they might obtain a better Techiyas HaMesim;

|36| And others underwent the nisayon of cruel mockings and scourgings, also the sharsherot (chains) and the beis hasohar.

|37| They were killed by seqilah (stoning), they were sawn in two, they were murdered by the cherev, they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being nitzrach (needy) and destitute,

oppressed, under redifot (persecutions),

|38| those of whom the Olam Hazev was not worthy, wandering in deserts and mountains and caves of the earth.

|39| And all these, having Hashem's commendation through their Emunah, did not receive the havtachah (promise),

|40| Hashem having foreseen something better for us, so that, apart from us, they should not be made shleimut.

**12** So, therefore, als (since) we have surrounding us so great an Anan Edim (Cloud of Witnesses), let us also lay aside every weighty impediment and easily ensnaring averos, and let us run with endurance and savlanut the race set before us, |2| Fixing our gaze on the Mekhonen (Founder) of our [Orthodox Messianic Jewish] faith, and the One who makes it Shleimut- Yehoshua, who because of the simcha set before him, endured HaEtz HaMoshiach, disregarding its bushah (shame), and "sat down at the right hand of the throne of G-d" TEHILLIM 110:1).

|3| Let your hitbonenut (meditation) be on the one who endured such opposition from chote'im (sinners), that you may not be weary in your neshamot, losing heart.

|4| For you have not yet resisted to the point of death al kiddush ha-Shem in your struggle against Chet;

|5| And you have let slip from zikaron (remembrance) the dvar haChizzuk which he speaks to you as banim, "My son, do not despise the musar of Hashem, do not lose heart, resent when rebuked by Him";