

Once Again, The Staff

שׁוֹב, הַמְּפִיטה
חָטֹר מֵעַזְמָמִים
הַפּוֹסִיף וַיְנַשְּׁתֵּל עַל פְּנֵי הַדּוֹרוֹת בְּלֹא צַרָּךְ לְטַעַת
אָחֹז בְּיָדו שֶׁל מֹשֶׁה
מַשְׁפֵּךְ בְּשַׁעַרְיוֹעַ אֶת חִכְמַת עַז הַדּוֹת.

Once again, the staff
a branch of the tree of life
flourishing and rooted throughout the generations with no need of planting
clutched in the hand of Moses
eases through its games the wisdom of the tree of knowledge.

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