## **Abraham Had Three Sons**

שְׁלשָׁה בָּנִים הָיוּ לְאַבְּרָהָם וְלֹא רַק שְׁנַיִם. שְׁלשָׁה בָּנִים הָיוּ לְאַבְרָהָם, יִשְׁמָעאֵל, וְיִצְחָק, וְיִבְכֶּה. אַף אֶחָד לֹא שָׁמַע עַל יִבְכֶּה, כִּי הוּא הָיָה הַקּטָן וְהָאָתוּב שֶׁהְעֻלָּה לְעוֹלֶה בְּהֵר הַמוֹרִיָּה. אֶת יִשְׁמָעאֵל הִצִּילָה אָמוּ הָגָר, אֶת יִצְחָק הִצִּיל הַמַּלְאַדְּ, וְהֶחָמוּד שֶׁלִּי. אַבָּל הוּא הִקְרִיב אוֹתוֹ בַּעְקֵדָה. וְבָתוֹרָה כְּתוּב הָאַיִל, אֲבָל זֶה הָיָה יִבְכֶּה. וּבְתּוֹרָה כְּתוּב הָאַיִל, אֲבָל זֶה הָיָה יִבְכֶּה. וְשְׁרָה צְחָקה רַק פַּעַם אַחַת וְלֹא הוֹסִיפָּה. וְשְׁרָה צְחָקה רָק פַּעַם אַחַת וְלֹא הוֹסִיפָּה. וְשְׁלְשָׁה בָּנִים הָיוּ לְאַבְרָהָם, יִשְׁמָעאֵל, וְיִצְחָקְאֵל, יִבְכֶּה-אֵל. יִשְׁמָעאֵל, וְיִצְחָק, יִבְכֶּה-אֵל.

Abraham had three sons, not just two.

Abraham had three sons: Yishmael/Let-God-Listen, Yitzhak/Let-Him-Laugh, and Yivkeh/Let-Him-Cry.

No one has heard of Yivkeh, for he was the youngest

the beloved one offered as an offering on Mount Moriah.

Yishmael was saved by his mother, Hagar, Yitzhak was saved by an angel,

but Yivkeh was not saved by anyone. When he was little

his father loving called him, Yivkeh, Yiv'k, Yeiv'k my little

darling. But he sacrificed him at the Akedah.

In the Torah is written the ram, but it was Yivkeh.

Yishmael never listened to God again in his life.

Yitzhak never laughed again in his life

and Sarah laughed only once, and never again.

Abraham had three sons,

Yishma/May-He-Listen, Yitzhak/May-He-Laugh, Yivkeh/May-He-Cry,

Yishmael, Yitzhakel, Yivkeh-el.

[Let-God-Listen, Let-God-Laugh, Let-God-Cry.]

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