

## Nosh & Learn with Mindy, Parshat *Devarim*, TBH-BE, 7/23/2020

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ  
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ לְעֲסוֹק בְּדִבְרֵי תוֹרָה.

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav  
v'tzivanu laasok b'divrei Torah.*

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot,  
commanding us to engage with words of Torah.

Quick Summary of Eikev

Devarim 11:25

לֹא-יִתְיַצֵּב אִישׁ בְּפָנֶיכֶם פֶּחַדְכֶם וּמִוְרָאֲכֶם יִתֵּן | יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם עַל-פְּנֵי כָל-הָאָרֶץ אֲשֶׁר תִּדְרֹכוּ-בָּהּ כַּאֲשֶׁר  
דִּבֶּר לָכֶם:

No man shall stand up to you: the LORD your God will put the dread and the fear  
of you over the whole land in which you set foot, as He promised you.

Sforno on Devarim 11:25

They will not even outside of the land of Israel

Hertz Chumash on Devarim 11:25

It is not force but truth that rules the world; and absolutely no limit can be set to  
the possibilities which open out to a free morally robust, and faithful people who  
have become possessed of higher spiritual ideas than the peoples that surround  
them. (Harper)

The Tribe directed by Tiffany Shlain

Excerpt from Ekev: Because by R. Yael Levy

Because.

Because everything is connected.

Because everything follows on the heels of something else,

Because every action has consequences beyond anything we will ever know:

Pay attention.

Be mindful of the path.

Walk with awe.

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Because it is easy to go astray,

To get lost in anger, fear and doubt:

Love the stranger

Love yourself even when you are not at your best.

Love others even when they disappoint or fall short.

Because we can set intentions,

Because we can act with dignity, awareness and grace

And still cannot predict how life will unfold:

Cultivate awe.

Be discerning.

Walk with integrity.

Because we are connected to each other,

Because we are connected to all creatures

And to all the earth,

Because everything we do matters,

And every action makes a difference:

Listen well.

Love fully.

Be of service.

And the stirrings of your heart,

And the offerings of your soul

To bring benefit and blessing to all.