

Genesis 23:1-25:18  
1 Kings 1:1-31  
Matthew 1:-17

**Sarah** dies at age 127 and is **buried** in the **Machpelah Cave** in **Hebron**, which **Abraham** purchases from Ephron the Hittite for **four hundred shekels of silver**.

**Abraham's servant Eliezer** is sent, laden with gifts, to Charan, to **find a wife** for **Isaac**. At the village well, Eliezer asks G-d for a **sign**: when the maidens come to the well, he will ask for some water to drink; the woman who will offer to give his camels to drink as well shall be the one destined for his master's son.



**Rebecca**, the daughter of Abraham's nephew Bethuel, appears at the well and passes the "test." Eliezer is invited to their home, where he repeats the story of the day's events. Rebecca returns with Eliezer to **the land of Canaan**, where they encounter Isaac **praying** in the field. Isaac **loves** her, and is comforted over the loss of his mother.

Abraham takes a **new wife**, Keturah (**Hagar**), and fathers **six additional sons**, but Isaac is designated as his only heir. Abraham dies at age 175 and is buried beside Sarah by his two eldest sons, Isaac and **Ishmael**.

This week's parshah begins with a sad event: Sarah dies at the age of 127. Abraham is very sad and mourns her passing. He buys a piece of land on which to bury her which is called the Cave of Machpelah in the city of Hebron. He pays 400 silver shekels. This is the place where all of our patriarchs (Adam, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob) and Matriarchs (Eve, Sarah, Rebecca and Leah) are buried.

Isaac is now forty years old and not married. Abraham asks his trusted servant Eliezer to go to Charan, Abraham's city of birth, and find a wife for Isaac. Eliezer brings lots of beautiful jewelry and gifts for the future wife. But how will he find her? There were many girls in Charan! So he asks G-d for a sign to let him know which girl is the right one for Isaac. The sign is that when he will ask a girl for water to drink from the well, she will offer to give water to the camels as well.

Well, along comes Rebecca (remember she was born in last week's parshah?) who offers water to Eliezer and the camels and invites him to her father's house. When Eliezer asks for her hand in marriage on behalf of Rebecca's great uncle Abraham, Rebecca says yes. She was happy to marry a righteous and kind person such as Isaac and get away from her family who were not very honest nor righteous.

Rebecca travels to the land of Canaan with Eliezer and marries Isaac. When Isaac marries her he understands that she is the right wife for him and feels a bit better after losing his mother Sarah. How is that? When Sarah was alive there were three great miracles which happened every week: the challah she baked for Shabbat stayed fresh from one week to the next; the candles she lit on Friday night stayed lit the whole week; and there was a cloud on her tent which was a sign that G-d was present all the time. When she passed away these miracles stopped; after Isaac and Rebecca got married they returned. That was Isaac's sign that she was the right one for him—that Rebecca was pious and righteous just like Sarah was!

Abraham also remarries Keturah who is actually Hagar, the wife Abraham married before he and Sarah had Isaac. Why the new name? Because she repented from her not good ways and started a new life as a better person. At the end of the Parshah we learn that Abraham dies at age 175 and is buried next to Sarah in the Cave of Machpelah in Hebron.

**General Overview:** In this week's Torah reading, *Chayei Sarah*, Sarah dies and Abraham purchases the Cave of Machpela as a burial plot for his wife. Abraham's servant travels to Aram to find a wife for Isaac. Isaac marries Rebecca. Abraham dies.

**First Aliyah Sunday 11/05/23. (Genesis 23:1-16):** Sarah died at the age of 127, and her grieving husband Abraham identified a plot in the city of Hebron that he wished to procure for use as a family burial ground. This plot, a cave situated in the Machpela field, belonged to Ephron the Hittite, so Abraham approached the Hittite tribe and asked for permission to purchase the parcel of land. Originally Ephron wished to give the plot to Abraham as a gift, but after Abraham insisted on paying full price the acquisition was concluded with Abraham paying 400 premium silver coins.

**Second Aliyah Monday 11/06/23 (Genesis 23:17 - 24:9):** Having acquired the land, Abraham buried Sarah in the Cave of Machpela. At this point, Abraham summoned his servant and charged him with the mission of finding a suitable wife for his son Isaac. Abraham had his servant swear that he would not take a

wife for Isaac from the local Canaanite women. Instead, he asked him to travel to Aram, his native land, and find a wife for Isaac there.

**Third Aliyah Tuesday 11/07/23 (Genesis 24:10-26):** The servant set out for his master's homeland and evening time found him beside the city well. He prayed for success in his mission, and asked for a heavenly sign to confirm his choice of a girl for Isaac. He would ask a maiden for a drink of water, and the one who would answer: "Certainly, and I'll also give your camels to drink as well," would be the proper choice for Isaac. Immediately a young lady approached and in response to the servant's request for a drink, she offered to give his camels to drink too. Upon questioning her, he discovered that she was Abraham's great-niece, Rebecca.

**Fourth Aliyah Wednesday 11/08/23 (Genesis 24:27-52):** Rebecca ran to tell her family about the man at the well, and her brother, Laban, went out, greeted the servant, and invited him to spend the night. The servant told Rebecca's family the purpose of his mission to the city, and recounted the heavenly sign that designated Rebecca as his master's son's wife. Rebecca's family agreed that the match was divinely ordained, and consented to the proposed match.

**Fifth Aliyah Thursday 11/09/23 (Genesis 24:53-67):** Rebecca's family celebrates the engagement together with Abraham's servant. Next morning, the servant insisted on immediately returning to his master with the maiden in hand, and after Rebecca agreed, the two set out for Canaan. Isaac married Rebecca, loved her, and finally found consolation for the loss of his mother.

**Sixth Aliyah Friday 11/10/23 (Genesis 25:1-11):** Abraham remarried and fathered several more children. Before his death, however, Abraham gave gifts to his other children and sent them all away, and bequeathed all the rest of his possessions to Isaac. Abraham died at the age of 175, and was buried by Isaac and Ishmael in the cave of Machpela beside his wife, Sarah.

**Seventh Aliyah Saturday 11/11/23 (Genesis 25:12-18):** Ishmael's progeny are detailed in this section. Ishmael passed away at the age of 137.



## JAYEIRA SARAH LA VIDA DE SARAH .....11/11/23



Genesis 23:1-25:18

1 Reyes 1:1-31

Mateo 1:1-17

**Sara** muere a los 127 años y está **enterrada** en la **cueva de Macpela** en **Hebrón**, que **Abraham** compra a Efrón el hitita por **cuatrocientos siclos de plata**.

**El sirviente de Abraham Eliezer**, es enviado, cargado de regalos, a Harán, para **encontrar una esposa** para **Isaac**. En el pozo del pueblo, Eliezer le pide a Di-s una **señal**: cuando las doncellas vengán al pozo, él pedirá un poco de agua para beber; la mujer que se ofrezca a dar de beber también a sus camellos será la destinada al hijo de su amo.



**Rebecca**, la hija de Betuel, sobrino de Abraham, aparece en el pozo y pasa la "prueba". Eliezer es invitado a su casa, donde repite la historia de los acontecimientos del día. Rebecca regresa con Eliezer a **la tierra de Canaán**, donde encuentran a Isaac **rezando** en el campo. Isaac se casa con Rebecca, **la ama** y se consuela por la pérdida de su madre.

Abraham toma una **nueva esposa**, Keturah (**Agar**), y **engendra seis hijos adicionales**, pero Isaac es designado como su único heredero. Abraham muere a los 175 años y es enterrado junto a Sara por sus dos hijos mayores, Isaac e **Ismael**.

La parashá de esta semana comienza con un evento triste: Sara muere a la edad de 127 años. Abraham está muy triste y lamenta su fallecimiento. Compra un terreno para enterrarla que se llama la Cueva de Macpela en la ciudad de Hebrón. Paga 400 siclos de plata. Este es el lugar donde están enterrados todos nuestros patriarcas (Adán, Abraham, Isaac y Jacob) y matriarcas (Eva, Sara, Rebeca y Lea).

Isaac tiene ahora cuarenta años y no está casado. Abraham le pide a su siervo de confianza Eliezer que vaya a Harán, la ciudad de nacimiento de Abraham, y busque una esposa para Isaac. Eliezer trae muchas joyas hermosas y regalos para la futura esposa. Pero, ¿cómo la encontrará? ¡Había muchas chicas en Haran! Así que le pide a

Dios una señal para hacerle saber qué chica es la adecuada para Isaac. La señal es que cuando le pida a una niña que beba agua del pozo, ella también se ofrecerá a dar agua a los camellos.

Bueno, llega Rebecca (¿recuerdas que nació en la parashá de la semana pasada?) Quien ofrece agua a Eliezer y los camellos y lo invita a la casa de su padre. Cuando Eliezer le pide su mano en matrimonio en nombre del tío abuelo de Rebecca, Abraham, Rebecca dice que sí. Estaba feliz de casarse con una persona justa y amable como Isaac y alejarse de su familia que no era muy honesta ni justa.

Rebecca viaja a la tierra de Canaán con Eliezer y se casa con Isaac. Cuando Isaac se casa con ella, entiende que ella es la esposa adecuada para él y se siente un poco mejor después de perder a su madre Sarah. ¿Como es eso? Cuando Sara estaba viva, ocurrían tres grandes milagros que ocurrían cada semana: la jalá que ella horneaba para Shabat se mantenía fresca de una semana a la siguiente; las velas que encendió el viernes por la noche permanecieron encendidas toda la semana; y había una nube en su tienda que era una señal de que Di-s estaba presente todo el tiempo. Cuando ella falleció, estos milagros cesaron; después de que Isaac y Rebecca se casaron, regresaron. Esa fue la señal de Isaac de que ella era la indicada para él, ¡que Rebecca era piadosa y justa al igual que Sara!

Abraham también se vuelve a casar con Keturah, que en realidad es Agar, la esposa que Abraham se casó antes de que él y Sara tuvieran a Isaac. ¿Por qué el nuevo nombre? Porque se arrepintió de sus malos caminos y comenzó una nueva vida como una mejor persona. Al final de la parashá nos enteramos de que Abraham muere a los 175 años y está enterrado junto a Sara en la cueva de Macpela en Hebrón.

**General Overview:** In this week's Torah reading, *Vayera*, angels visit Abraham and Sarah, informing them that Sarah would give birth to a child despite her advanced age. The angels whisk Lot and his daughters out of Sodom, and overturn and destroy the entire region. Abimelech, king of the Philistines, attempts to make Sarah part of his harem, but through divine intervention she is released unharmed. Isaac is born and Ishmael is expelled from Abraham's household. Abraham makes a peace treaty with Abimelech. The story of the "Binding of Isaac" is recounted – Isaac's "near-sacrifice" experience.

**Primera Aliyah Domingo 11/05/23 (Genesis 23:1-16):** Sara murió a la edad de 127 años, y su afligido esposo Abraham identificó un terreno en la ciudad de Hebrón que deseaba adquirir para usar como cementerio familiar. Esta parcela, una cueva situada en el campo de Macpela, pertenecía a Efrón el hitita, por lo que Abraham se acercó a la tribu hitita y pidió permiso para comprar la parcela de tierra. Originalmente, Ephron deseaba regalarle la trama a Abraham, pero después de que Abraham insistió en pagar el precio completo, la adquisición se concluyó y Abraham pagó 400 monedas de plata premium.

**Segunda Aliyah Lunes 11/06/23 Genesis 23:17 - 24:9**: Habiendo adquirido la tierra, Abraham enterró a Sara en la Cueva de Macpela. En este punto, Abraham llamó a su sirviente y le encargó la misión de encontrar una esposa adecuada para su hijo Isaac. Abraham hizo que su criado jurara que no tomaría una esposa para Isaac de las mujeres cananeas locales. En cambio, le pidió que viajara a Aram, su tierra natal, y encontrara allí una esposa para Isaac.

**Tercera Aliyah Martes 11/07/23 (Genesis 24:10-26)**: El criado partió hacia la patria de su amo y al atardecer lo encontró junto al pozo de la ciudad. Oró por el éxito en su misión y pidió una señal celestial para confirmar su elección de una niña para Isaac. Le pedía a una doncella un trago de agua, y la que respondía: "Ciertamente, y también daré de beber a tus camellos", sería la elección adecuada para Isaac. Inmediatamente se acercó una joven y en respuesta a la solicitud del sirviente de beber, se ofreció a dar de beber también a sus camellos. Al interrogarla, descubrió que era la sobrina nieta de Abraham, Rebecca.

**Cuarta Aliyah Miercoles 11/08/23 (Genesis 24:27-52)**: Rebecca corrió a contarle a su familia sobre el hombre del pozo, y su hermano, Labán, salió, saludó al sirviente y lo invitó a pasar la noche. El sirviente le dijo a la familia de Rebecca el propósito de su misión en la ciudad y relató la señal celestial que designaba a Rebecca como la esposa del hijo de su amo. La familia de Rebecca estuvo de acuerdo en que el matrimonio fue ordenado divinamente y consintió en el matrimonio propuesto.

**Quinta Aliyah Jueves 11/09/23 (Genesis 24:53-67)**: La familia de Rebecca celebra el compromiso junto con el sirviente de Abraham. A la mañana siguiente, el criado insistió en regresar inmediatamente con su amo con la doncella en la mano, y después de que Rebecca estuvo de acuerdo, los dos partieron hacia Canaán. Isaac se casó con Rebecca, la amó y finalmente encontró consuelo por la pérdida de su madre.

**Sexta Aliyah Viernes 11/10/23 (Genesis 25:1-11)**: Abraham se volvió a casar y tuvo varios hijos más. Sin embargo, antes de su muerte, Abraham dio obsequios a sus otros hijos, los despidió a todos y legó el resto de sus posesiones a Isaac. Abraham murió a la edad de 175 años, y fue enterrado por Isaac e Ismael en la cueva de Macpela junto a su esposa Sara.

**Septima Aliyah Sabado 11/11/23 (Genesis 25:12-18)**: La progenie de Ismael se detalla en esta sección. Ismael falleció a la edad de 137 años..

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# Parshas Chayei Sarah

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Camel

Well

Eliezer

Yishmael

Keturah

Hagar

Sarah

Abraham



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TORAH QUIZ

## CHAYEI SARAH

Read Genesis 23:1-25:18. Match the question with the answer on the right.

### Questions

- \_\_\_ How old was Sarah when she died?
- \_\_\_ How much did Abraham pay the Hittites for a field east of Mamre?
- \_\_\_ Where did Abraham bury Sarah?
- \_\_\_ What oath did the servant make with Abraham?
- \_\_\_ How many camels did the servant take to Mesopotamia?
- \_\_\_ Outside which city did the servant meet Rebekah?
- \_\_\_ Who was Rebekah's brother?
- \_\_\_ What gifts did the servant give Rebekah?
- \_\_\_ Who did Rebekah marry when she arrived in the Negeb?
- \_\_\_ After Sarah died, who did Abraham take as his wife?

### Answers

1. Ten camels
2. Four hundred shekels of silver
3. Keturah
4. A gold ring, two bracelets, gold and silver jewelry, and garments
5. 127 years' old
6. The city of Nahor
7. Laban
8. Do not take a wife for my son from the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell, but go to my country and to my kindred and take a wife for my son Isaac.
9. In the cave of the field of Machpelah
10. Isaac, son of Abraham



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