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Parshat Eikev opens with the phrase:

וְהָיָה עֵקֶב תִּשְׁמָעוּן אֶת הַמִּשְׁפָּטִים הָאֵלֶּה

I saw a really nice idea from Sivan Rahav-Meir on the word *eikev*, which literally means “heel.” Rashi explains that it’s referring to the small mitzvot, the ones people tend to step on or brush aside because they don’t seem so important. We usually think spirituality has to come from big, meaningful moments, but the Torah is shifting our focus to the simple, everyday things.

Then the parsha describes Hashem:

הָאֵל-ל-הַגְּדוֹל הַגָּבוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא

But right after that, what does Hashem actually do?

עָשָׂה מִשְׁפָּט יְתוֹם וְאִלְמָנָה וְאָהֵב גֵּר לְתֵת לוֹ לֶחֶם וְשָׁמְלָה

It’s all about the small, human things: taking care of people, noticing who needs something, giving in a real, practical way. That’s what real greatness looks like.

And it connects to how we influence the people around us:



וְלִמְדוֹתֵם אִתָּם אֶת בְּנֵיכֶם לְדַבֵּר כִּם בְּשִׁבְתְּכֶם בְּבֵיתְכֶם וּבְלֶכְתְּכֶם בַּדֶּרֶךְ

It’s not about big speeches. It’s the in-between moments: walking somewhere, sitting at home, dealing with something small or annoying. That’s when people are actually watching and learning from us-how we speak, how we react, and how we treat others.

This Shabbat, Parshat Eikev is reminding us that the biggest things aren’t the big moments. They’re all the small choices we make every single day.



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TRUST OVER FEAR

In this week’s parsha, we read about Moshe talking to Am Yisrael about worries they might have when going into Israel תֹּאמַר כִּי תֵאָמַר רַבִּים הָאֱלֹהִים מִמֶּנִּי; אֵיכָה אוֹכֵל, לְהוֹרִישָׁם. בְּלִבְבְּךָ,

In this pasuk, Moshe is saying that you might be scared to conquer the Land because our enemies are greater than us, and wonder how we will be able to overcome them.

But then Moshe reminds them how Hashem protected them back in Egypt and what He did to Pharaoh. He tells us that this time Hashem will do the same when we enter Eretz Yisrael. These days, during the war, it’s hard to stay positive, and we start thinking, how will we overcome all these countries? But it’s important to remember what we learned in this parsha: that no matter what, or how great the enemy we are fighting is, Hashem

will always be with us, like He was with us in Egypt, and when we entered Eretz Israel, and in the Six-Day War.

Hashem is always with us, and He will keep on being with us in these times of war.

Amichai Vanino, a fallen soldier from this war, once said, מרגיש את אהבתו — “Hashem is with me; I feel His love and trust in Him.” What Amichai is saying is that in every situation Hashem will be there and take care of us. So in these days when we feel worried, stressed, or even afraid, we can remember what Amichai and Moshe are telling us: always believe in Hashem and trust that He will always take care of us. ■

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