

Hesed Is The Prayer And The Answer

וַיִּבְרַךְ הַגְּמָלִים מְחוּץ לְעִיר אֶל בְּאֵר הַמַּיִם לַעֵת עָרֵב לַעֵת צֵאת הַשְּׂאֵבֹת.
וַיֹּאמֶר ה' אֱלֹהֵי אֲדֹנָי אַבְרָהָם הַקָּרָה נָא לְפָנַי הַיּוֹם וְעֲשֵׂה חֶסֶד עִם אֲדֹנָי
אַבְרָהָם. הִנֵּה אֲנֹכִי נֹצֵב עַל עֵין הַמַּיִם וּבָנוֹת אַנְשֵׁי הָעִיר יֵצְאוּ לְשָׂאֵב מַיִם.
וְהִיא הַנִּעְעֶרָה אֲשֶׁר אֹמֵר אֵלֶיהָ הֵטִי נָא כַּדָּךְ וְאַשְׁתֵּה וְאַמְרָה שְׂתֵה וְגַם גְּמִלְיָךְ
אֲשַׁקֶּה אֹתָהּ הַיּוֹכֶחֶת לְעַבְדְּךָ לְיִצְחָק וְבָה אֵדַע כִּי עָשִׂיתָ חֶסֶד עִם אֲדֹנָי.

He made the camels kneel by the well outside the city, at evening time, the time when women come out to draw water. And he said, "O Lord, God of my master Abraham, grant me good fortune this day, and act with hesed towards my master, Abraham: Here I stand by the spring as the daughters of the townsmen come out to draw water; let the maiden to whom I say, 'Please, lower your jar that I may drink,' and who replies, 'drink, and I will also water your camels'- let her be the one whom You have decreed for Your servant Isaac. Thereby shall I know that You have acted with hesed towards with my master" (Genesis 24:11-14).