

Isaiah 49:14-23

A portion of the second “Seven of Consolation” reading (**Isaiah 49:14-51:3**) We should read the whole thing.

Zion is considered as God’s son (**verse 14-15**).

Isaiah 49:18 - “Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, and come to thee.”

This reminds us of Joseph finally surrounded by his family in **Genesis 45 and 46**.

The recovery of lost children in **verse 21** makes us think of Jacob, still believing Joseph has been killed by a wild beast. “Behold, I was left alone; these, where had they been?”

The most pertinent verse regarding the Torah reading about Joseph and his brothers is the last.

In the same way Joseph’s family were prophesied to bow down before him, so would the nations bow down before Israel.

Isaiah 49:23 - “And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for me.”