

PICTURING THE PARSHA VAYISHLACH



*32:23 – I took a bus from Yerushalayim to Beit She'an. The driver took the route that is parallel to the Yarden River. The bottom of the picture is the Jordanian border. The valley between the mountains in the **center left** of the picture is where the Yabok River is (about 40 miles northeast of Yerushalayim). If you were standing right here about 3600 years ago, you could have seen a long line of animals Yaakov Avinu was gifting to Esav.*

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32:25 – These are the mountains north of the Yabok River. If you were standing on top of those mountains about 3600 years ago, you could have seen Yaakov Avinu wrestle with the Malach.

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33:18 – View of the city of Shechem (About 30 miles north of Yerushalayim).



34:2 – This is the Balata refugee camp in Shechem. Balata is a major hub for terrorism, with many suicide bombers originating from here. The western part of Balata, is built on top of a part of the ancient city of Shechem. Meaning, the area where Dinah was kidnapped, is today producing terrorists trying to kill Yidden C'V.

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35:1 – (the sign is mistaken, it is **not Perek 25**, it is **Perek 35**). Beit-El is about 12 miles north of Yerushalayim. In the archaeological park in Beit-El, there are signs with Pesukim mentioning Beit-El written on them.

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35:6 - (the sign is mistaken, it is *not* Perek 25, it is *Perek 35*).

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בראשית ל"ה, ז':
ויבן שם מזבח, ויקרא למקום א-ל-
בית-אל, כי שם נגלו אליו הא-להים,
בברחו מפני אחיו.

"And he built there an altar, and called
the place El-beit-el, because there G-d
was revealed to him, when he fled
from his brother". (Genesis 25:7)

35:7 - (the sign is mistaken, it is **not** Perek 25, it is Perek 35).

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35:8 – The 1000-year-old oak tree (see the above picture).

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35:19 – This is what Kever Rachel looks like from the outside today. Kever Rachel is about 4 miles south from the center of Yerushalayim (you can take a city bus there).

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35:20 – The Kever of Rachel Imenu.

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35:29 – The monuments to Yitzchok Avinu and Rivkah Imenu inside of Meoras Hamachpela, located in Chevron (about 17 miles southwest of Yerushalayim). (The actual cave is directly underneath the monuments to Avraham and Sarah). This part of Meoras Hamachpela is only open to Muslims and is used as a Mosque. A few times during the year, Yidden are allowed inside (this is screenshot from a video I took).

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