
Torah Portion: Vayeishev, Genesis 37:1–40:23
Haftarah: Zechariah 4:1-7

Prayer for Redemption of Hostages

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*Our God, the One who raised Joseph up from the pit, be
"a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble."
(Psalm 9:10)*

Send complete rescue and full redemption to all those
held captive by the enemy.

Strengthen their spirit and bring them our prayers that
they be protected from all harm.

Implant understanding in the heart of the enemy that they
may return the captives in wholeness of body and spirit.

Grant wisdom to the Israel Defense Forces that they may
secure freedom for the captives without loss of life. Grant
strength of spirit and courage of heart to all the sons and
daughters of Abraham, Sarah, and Hagar to release
bonds of captivity and allow us all to live in freedom.

*"They shall call upon Me, and I will answer them; I will
be with them in distress; I will rescue them, and honor
them." (after Psalm 91:15).*