THIS DIFFERENCE IN
LANGUAGE ALSO
UNDERSCORES THE
CONTRAST BETWEEN THE
LEADERSHIP OF MOSHE
AND YESHAYA.

MOSHE'S ROLE,
OPERATING FROM THE
REALM OF ATZILUS, WAS
TO DRAW DOWN DIVINE
WISDOM AND ELEVATE
THE PEOPLE TOWARD
HIGHER SPIRITUAL
AWARENESS.

HIS FOCUS WAS ON TRANSMITTING LOFTY, DIVINE TRUTHS.

YESHAYA, ON THE OTHER HAND, ENGAGED MORE DIRECTLY WITH THE PEOPLE'S PHYSICAL AND PRACTICAL REALITIES, WORKING WITHIN THE LOWER REALMS OF CREATION TO INSPIRE MORAL AND SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

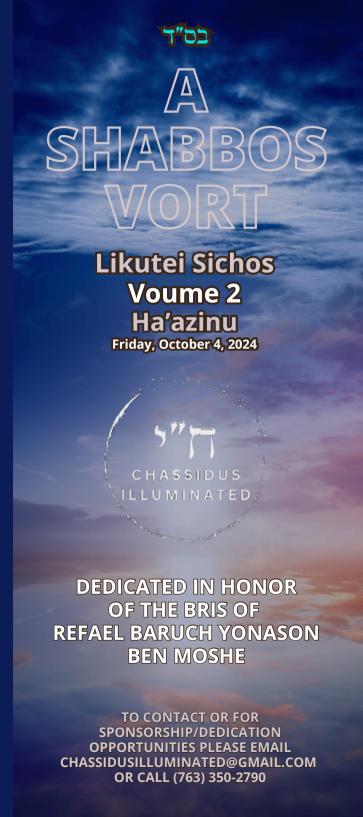
THIS TEACHING
EMPHASIZES THE BALANCE
BETWEEN CONNECTING TO
HIGHER SPIRITUAL
REALMS AND ENGAGING
WITH THE PHYSICAL
WORLD.

LIKE MOSHE, WE
SOMETIMES NEED TO
DRAW INSPIRATION FROM
ABOVE TO ELEVATE
OURSELVES, WHILE AT
OTHER TIMES, LIKE
YESHAYA, WE MUST FOCUS
ON REFINING THE
PRACTICAL ASPECTS OF
OUR LIVES.

BOTH APPROACHES ARE ESSENTIAL, TEACHING US THAT TRUE GROWTH INVOLVES BRINGING HOLINESS INTO BOTH THE SPIRITUAL AND MATERIAL DIMENSIONS OF OUR EXISTENCE, UNITING HEAVEN AND EARTH IN OUR SERVICE OF HASHEM.



Shabbos Candle
Lighting time (from a preexisting flame)
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IN PARSHAS
HAAZINU,
MOSHE RABBEINU
DECLARES, "HEAR, OH
HEAVENS, AND I WILL
SPEAK; LISTEN, EARTH,
TO THE WORDS OF MY
MOUTH."

2 MOSHE, WHO WAS
DEEPLY CONNECTED TO
THE HIGHEST SPIRITUAL
REALMS, PARTICULARLY
THE WORLD OF ATZILUS,
NATURALLY CALLED
UPON THE HEAVENS TO
"HEAR," A TERM
INDICATING A CLOSE AND
DIRECT CONNECTION.

3 YESHAYA, HOWEVER, PROPHESIED IN A TIME WHEN THE PEOPLE WERE MORE IMMERSED IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD.

IN CONTRAST, THE PROPHET YESHAYA OPENS WITH, "LISTEN, HEAVENS, AND HEAR, OH EARTH."

THE HEAVENS,
REPRESENTING THE
HIGHEST SPIRITUAL
REALITIES, WERE CLOSEST
TO MOSHE'S LEVEL.

HIS ROLE WAS TO ADDRESS THEIR IMMEDIATE CONCERNS AND HELP REFINE THEIR BEHAVIOR WITHIN THE THE MATERIAL WORLD.

AS SUCH, YESHAYA
ASKED THE EARTH TO
"HEAR" DIRECTLY, SINCE
HIS PRIMARY MISSION
WAS CONNECTED TO
CORRECTING THE
PHYSICAL ACTIONS OF
THE PEOPLE.

THIS DIFFERENCE IN PHRASING REFLECTS THE DISTINCT SPIRITUAL LEVELS OF MOSHE AND YESHAYA, AS WELL AS THEIR ROLES IN GUIDING THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

IN CONTRAST, THE EARTH, WHICH SYMBOLIZES THE LOWER REALMS OF CREATION—BERIAH, YETZIRAH, AND ASIYAH, WHERE PHYSICALITY AND LIMITATION ARE MORE PRONOUNCED—WAS ASKED TO "LISTEN," REFLECTING A MORE DISTANT, INDIRECT RECEPTION OF THE MESSAGE.

THE HEAVENS, BEING FURTHER FROM THIS MATERIAL REALITY, WERE MERELY ASKED TO "LISTEN" FROM A MORE REMOVED PERSPECTIVE.