TEXT:

Exodus 19: 20 Exodus 20:19

G-d descended on Mt Sinai I've spoken to you from heaven

RASHI: RASHI:

He bent down upper & lower heavens 1. His glory is in heaven; His fire & might

& spread them on mountain like bed spread upon the earth

& Throne of Glory descended upon them 2. He bent down the heavens & higher heavens

& spread them out upon the mountain

As stated: "He bent the heavens & descended"

CONTEXT: G-d's actual DESCENT CONTEXT: G-d's loftiness on high

19: MALCHUT; G-dliness revealed on earth 20: KETER; G-dliness as aloof & beyond

Example: Great teacher can teach simple student... but his w

but his wisdom is beyond comprehension

REVEAL SOUL in speech/action:

ELEVATE speech/action to SOUL

Example in speech: Tearful speech

Poetic deep speech

Example in action: Artist in artwork

Lifts heavy object to save child

(unlike ordinary action)

Application to Mitzvos:

Benefit all areas of life

Beyond reason or reward

Example: Take care of spouse's needs

Gift of flowers, beyond reason or purpose

BARUCH SHEM – Hashem is in everything

SHEMA YISRAEL – Hashem is One & beyond

MOSHIACH: world as we know it (aleph)

Totally "new world"