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The first time that the Torah does mention,
That the Yidden are Hashem's children,
Is in Parshas Shemos when before Pharaoh, Moshe does come,
And says "Let the Jews go serve Hashem because they are His firstborn son."

In other places in the Torah the Yidden are compared to a young child so dear,
The difference between a firstborn son and a young child or baby is clear.
A baby comes from the essence of the parents, their love is a given,
It's a love that is beyond reason.

A firstborn son is a term of greatness says Rashi,
It represents an adult son who has matured physically, intellectually and emotionally.
Because of the wonderful things that he does, his parents love him more and more,
The reasons cover up the natural love for who he is at his core.

The love between parents and children stem,
From the love between Yidden and Hashem.
To serve Hashem there are ways two,
And there are two types of love that Hashem can display towards a Jew.

When a Yid acts like a child so small,
And doesn't do anything to give Hashem a reason to love him at all,
Then Hashem loves him for his essence, of course,
Because Hashem is His life source.

So a Jew might make a mistake and say,
 As long as I feel small in my eyes like a baby, I'm serving Hashem in the best way.
 I will put my understanding and feelings away,
 I don't have to do anything because Hashem will love me anyway.

If I use my feelings and my mind,
 Then I will feel great about myself for being good and kind,
 Hashem will love me because of what I do,
 Seemingly, it is much greater if Hashem loves me just because I am a Jew.

But this can't be true, we know,
 Because Hashem created the world in a way that we should constantly mature and grow.
 Acting like a baby doesn't create the essence love it just keeps it revealed and alive,
 Hashem wants that the essence love should grow and thrive!

When we realize that everything that we have is a gift from Hashem and we have Bittul like a baby,
 And we realize that everything that we can do on our own is nothing compared to Hashem's infinity,
 Then we don't just have Bittul and put our Sechel and Middos aside to serve our King,
 But we include our Sechel and Middos in the Bittul and serve Hashem with our entire being!

Having Bittul, and learning Torah and doing Mitzvos with passion,
 Are not a contradiction,
 As a matter of fact there is a lot in common,
 Between Talmidai Chachomim and children.

Talmidai Chachomim are always climbing from level to level to do their best,
 They are like children who never like to rest.
 Talmidai Chachomim are always asking questions to sharpen the mind,
 Like children who ask why about everything that they see and find.

When Talmidai Chachomim remember that children of Hashem is who they truly are,
 Then they can grow and mature and get very far
 They build the world and bring world peace,
 The essence love that Hashem feels for them does thrive and increase.

When Hashem wants to show that His love for the Yidden is beyond reason,
 He chooses the young child expression.
 But Hashem calls us His firstborn son when we realize who we are at our core,
 And our only desire is to serve Hashem with our entire being more and more.
