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The Torah lists 69 of Yaakov's children and grandchildren,
Who came down to Mitzrayim,
But the Torah says that the total number of people were seventy,
To answer who is the one that completed the count, there are opinions three.

Pirkei D'Rabbi Eliezer says that it was Hakadosh Baruch Hu,
Other Mefarshim say that it was Yaakov Avinu.
Rashi says that it was Yocheved, a brand new baby,
Who was born in the walls of the city.

Going down to Mitzrayim and the slavery was a preparation,
To receive the Torah on the Sinai mountain,
Which would impact the seventy nations of humanity,
And the Yidden who had 70 Zekanim who were so great and holy.

At Matan Torah, the barrier between heaven and earth was taken away,
"I am Hashem, your G-d, who took you out of Mitzrayim," Hashem did say.
Every Jew for all time would have the ability to feel and know,
That Hashem is Elokecha, your personal life force to give you your energy wherever you go.

In order for that to happen, the spark of Yaakov Avinu,
Who was on the level of Atzilus had to be extended to the lower worlds too,
Through the 12 Shevatim as they grew into a family of seventy,
They represent the feminine Malchus energy.

Extending Yaakov's spark to the world's of Beriah, Yetzirah and Asiya wasn't enough,
 The Yidden had to descend into Mitzrayim and experience the slavery so tough.
 Only in a Galus so difficult and long would they have the opportunity,
 To reveal their faith that Hashem could and would redeem them from their slavery.

To have the strength to escape Mitzrayim there are possibilities three,
 Yaakov could have been included in the count of seventy,
 But since Yaakov was on the level of Atzilus, where Hashem's revelation is so bright,
 The challenge of Galus wouldn't be complete so the setting wouldn't have been right.

Hashem is another possibility, because since He is infinite, He could descend into Galus and
 hide,
 And at the same time He could be at our side.
 Compromised, the darkness wouldn't be,
 But the refinement of the world would happen through the male energy.

With male energy,
 We have the ability to conquer and win over any enemy.
 Everything would just melt away from Hashem's strong revelation,
 But there would not be any change in humanity or in creation.

Therefore, Rashi, who comes to explain the simple explanation specifically,
 Says that it was Yocheved who completed the count of seventy.
 As a women, who represents Malchus, to escape Mitzrayim she held the key,
 She displayed tremendous faith in Hashem and went against Pharaoh's decree.

Malchus is the lowest level we know,
 To the most deep and dark places it can go,
 Because it's source is so incredibly high,
 From Malchus we draw Emunah when the darkness makes you want to cry.

Yocheved was born at the cusp of Galus and every challenge she did face.
 But she transformed the world and made it a better place,
 When Pharaoh's soldiers were throwing the baby boys into the Nile River,
 She gave birth to Moshe, and was the mother of the redeemer.

It was the feminine energy that was necessary to transform the world from below,
 Until the Egyptians would recognize Hashem and Pharaoh would let the Yidden go.
 This was the perfect preparation for Hashem to give the Torah to His nation,

So that in every generation the physical can be transformed and have an elevation.

Her family, every woman does nurture,
She makes sure there is light and food for breakfast, lunch and dinner,
But a Jewish mother does so much more,
She elevates the physical and reveals the core.

With her daughters, Shabbos candles she lights before Friday night,
To reveal the world's light.
She prepares kosher food so tasty,
And keeps the laws of family purity.

We don't have to wait for inspiration from above,
We have the power to transform ourselves and this is what Hashem truly does love.
In the merit of the righteous women, the Jewish people were redeemed then,
And in the merit of the Jewish women of today we will be redeemed again.
