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Lech-Lecha - Zayin Marcheshvan

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Every Parsha has a connection,
With the Yom Tov that falls out that week,
The connection between Parshas Lech Lecha,
And Zayin Cheshvan, now we seek.

Some Yomim Tovim fall out,
In different Parshiyos every year,
But Zayin Cheshvan is always in Lech Lecha,
So the connection must be clear.

At first glance it seems like a contradiction,
But when we dig deeper we'll find,
The theme and lesson they both bring out,
Their messages are perfectly aligned.

Zayin Cheshvan is when the Yidden,
Began davening for rain,
They waited till the last Yid returned home,
They didn't want to cause anyone pain.

Even now, this day is special,
Considered the end of Chodesh Tishrei,
As we leave this holy month,
We take along the lessons we packed away.

Lech Lecha seems to be the opposite,
 Eretz Yisroel is Avraham's destination,
 We learn of his travels TO the holy Land,
 As the ancestor of the Jewish nation.

But, really these are both the same,
 A Yid's departure is his elevation,
 Making a Dirah B'tachtonim in his place,
 Is the purpose of the entire creation!

But simply this answer doesn't suffice,
 Because practically Avraham left his land,
 For the holiness we are leaving now,
 So let's delve deeper to understand:

A hired worker vs. an agent,
 The hired man works for pay,
 He'll do what he's asked to, and he'll do it well,
 But it's for his gain at the end of the day.

An agent is completely devoted
 To the mission he was sent to fulfill,
 He has no ulterior motive,
 He's one with the sender and his will.

When a Yid travels to Eretz Yisroel,
 They come to gain from the holiness there,
 To hear, to see, just to be,
 And pack inspiration for the entire year.

It's a very enjoyable experience,
 A pleasure that benefits me,
 But there's something special about the next step,
 When Hashem isn't revealed so easily.

When a Yid comes back, the rain begins,
 He's back to work, he plants and sows,
 All as a Shliach of Hashem,
 With a deeper purpose to what he grows.

Making time to daven and learn,
 Doing Mitzvos and spreading the light,
 Shlucho Shel Adam K'moso,
 That is the truest height!

Avraham recognized Hashem,
 And he made it his mission to spread that to all,
 He publicized what he discovered,
 But it wasn't until Hashem did call

"Lech Lecha go out of yourself,
 Your desires, emotions and will,
 Follow Me to where I will show,
 And then MY mission you can fulfill"

That Avraham became a Shliach,
 Showing how Hashem and the world are one,
 Avraham become one with his Creator,
 Paving the path for this to be done.

As the last bits of Tishrei slip away,
 We must be joyous and set out to do,
 The Avodah of Dirah B'tachtonim,
 That Avraham started for every Jew,

We become like Hashem Himself,
 Through committing to the mission of the year,
 Making Hashem's home in my daily routine,
 Bringing Moshiach when it all will be clear!

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