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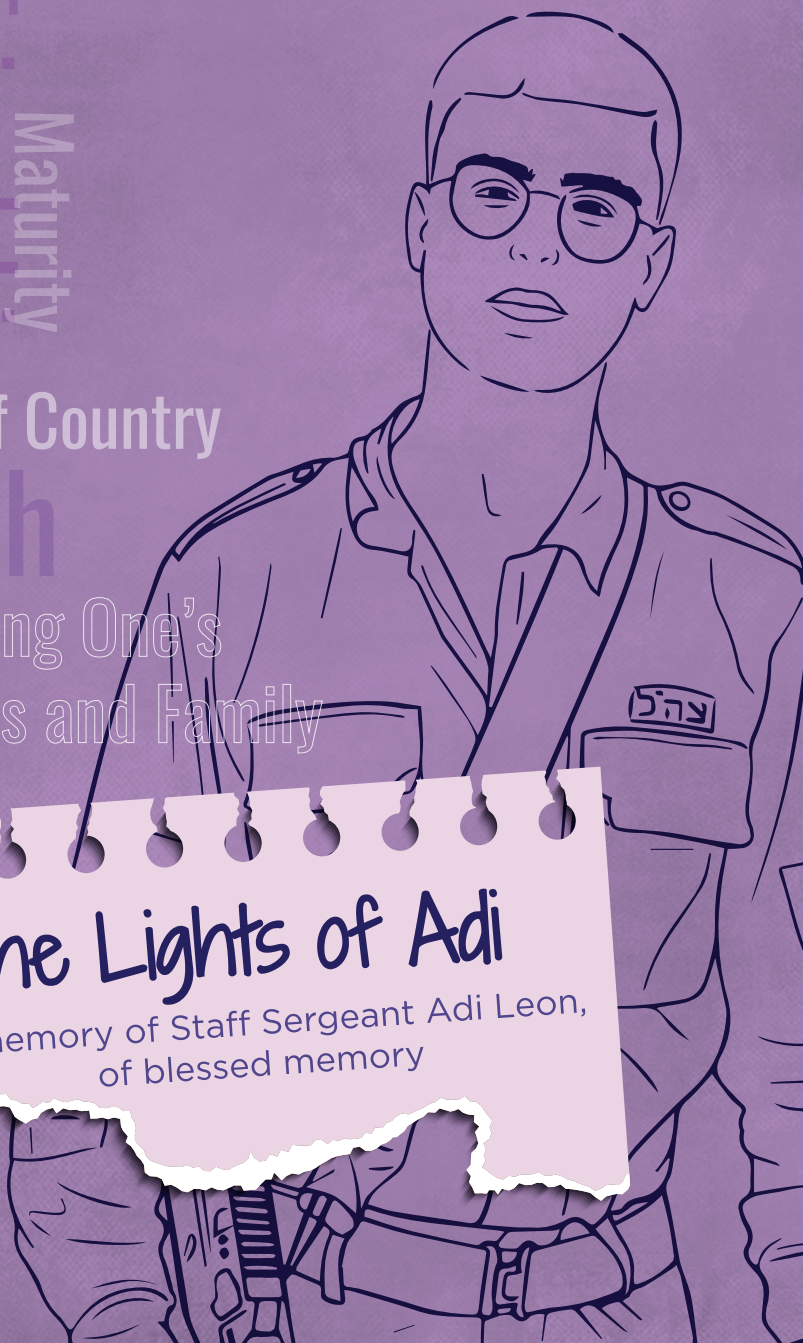
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IN MEMORY OF STAFF SERGEANT ADI LEON, OF BLESSED MEMORY

Fell on October 31, 2023.

Staff Sergeant Adi Leon, from Nili, a soldier in the Tzabar Battalion of the Givati Brigade, was killed in battle in the northern Gaza Strip. He was 20 years old.

Before entering the Gaza Strip, Adi left a notebook, on the cover of which he wrote,

"To be read in the event of my death."

What he wrote enshrines the values he was instilled with, the values that guided him when he fought his last battle.

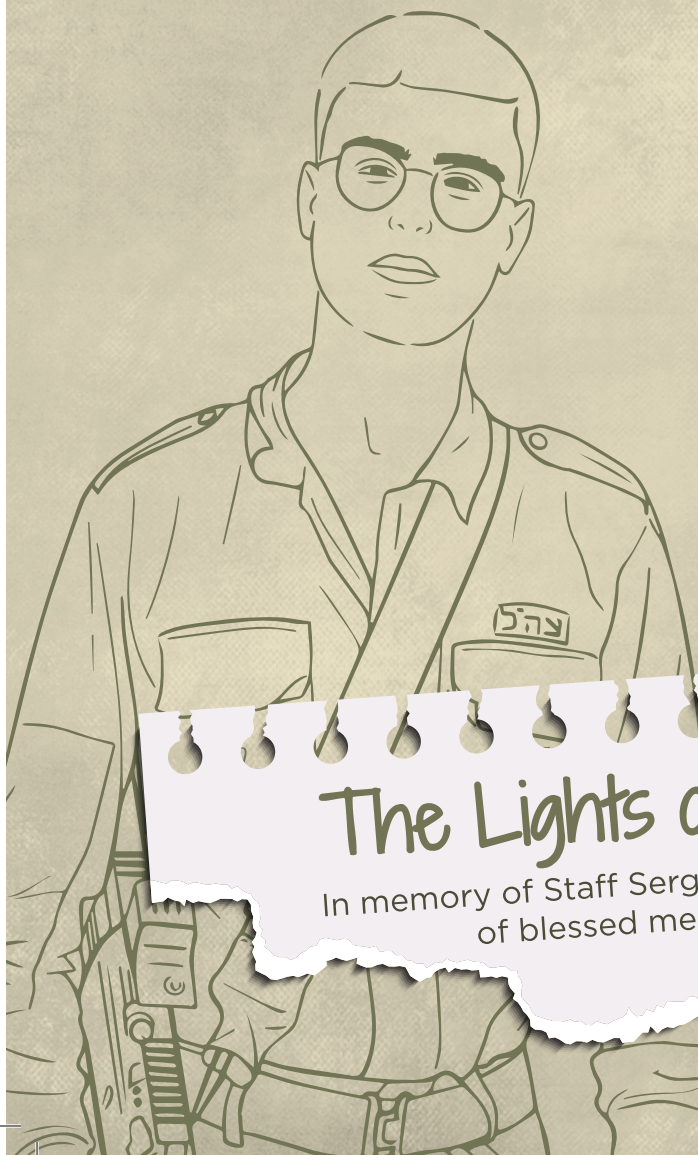


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"There will be not be victory of light over darkness as long as we do not face the simple truth, that rather than fighting the darkness, we must amplify the light"

~ Zionist pioneer and philosopher A.D. Gordon

Love of Country



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Love of Country is a profound feeling of love for one's country of birth – a very strong sense of connection of identification with the homeland, an unwavering loyalty to it and a willingness to make sacrifices for it.

"...we have no other country, and now it's my turn to defend it..."



We have no other country,
and now it's my turn to defend it.

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"May your dreams come true
And all your fears vanish
Because all the good still lies ahead
Yes, all the good still lies ahead
May there be peace in your
surroundings
May all roads open to you
May your hands be blessed
Your soldier – I'm right behind you."

From "Peace in Your Palaces" by Ravid Plotnik

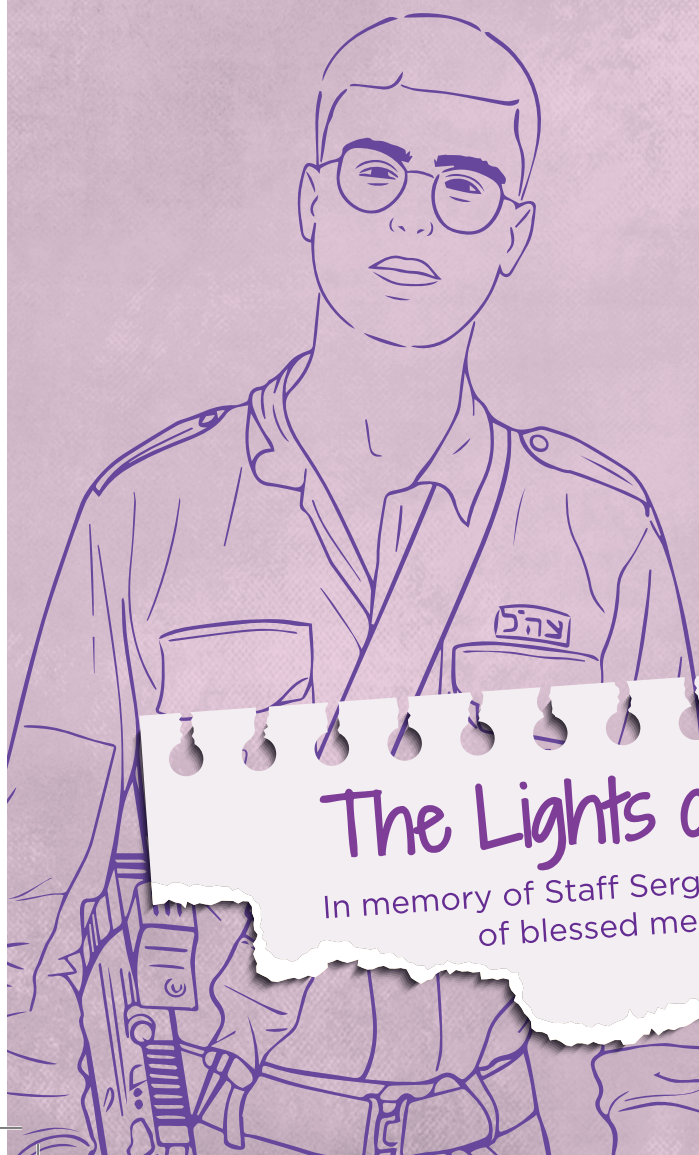
"I have no other country,
even if my land is aflame" ~ Ehud Manor



Love of Country

- Describe how you feel about the State of Israel?
- What does love of country mean to the generation of the smartphone and Zoom?
- Does loving something mean being willing to sacrifice for it?

Friendship



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Friendship is a term that denotes a deep emotional bond between two people or within a small group, which transcends individual interests. This kind of camaraderie can develop in two main ways: between people who have known each other for many years and have developed a profound understanding and appreciation of each other, or when circumstances require people to unite forces and share mutual responsibilities.

"To my good friends, both girls and guys: we truly had so many experiences together that I can't even begin to list them all."

"Thank you for always being there for me and making my childhood amazing. I hope you celebrate like we planned to after my return, and that you tell your children about the moments and experiences we shared..."

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"We'll remember them all
The elegant, the handsome
Because friendship like this will never
Permit our hearts to forget
Love sanctified with blood
will once more bloom among us

Oh the friendship, we bore without words
It was silent and grey, it was wordless.
From the fear and the pain of those days
It remains with us, ardent and yearning.."

From: "Friendship" by Haim Gouri

**Rabbi Akiva said, "Love your neighbor as yourself."
This is a great principle of the Torah (Bible)."**

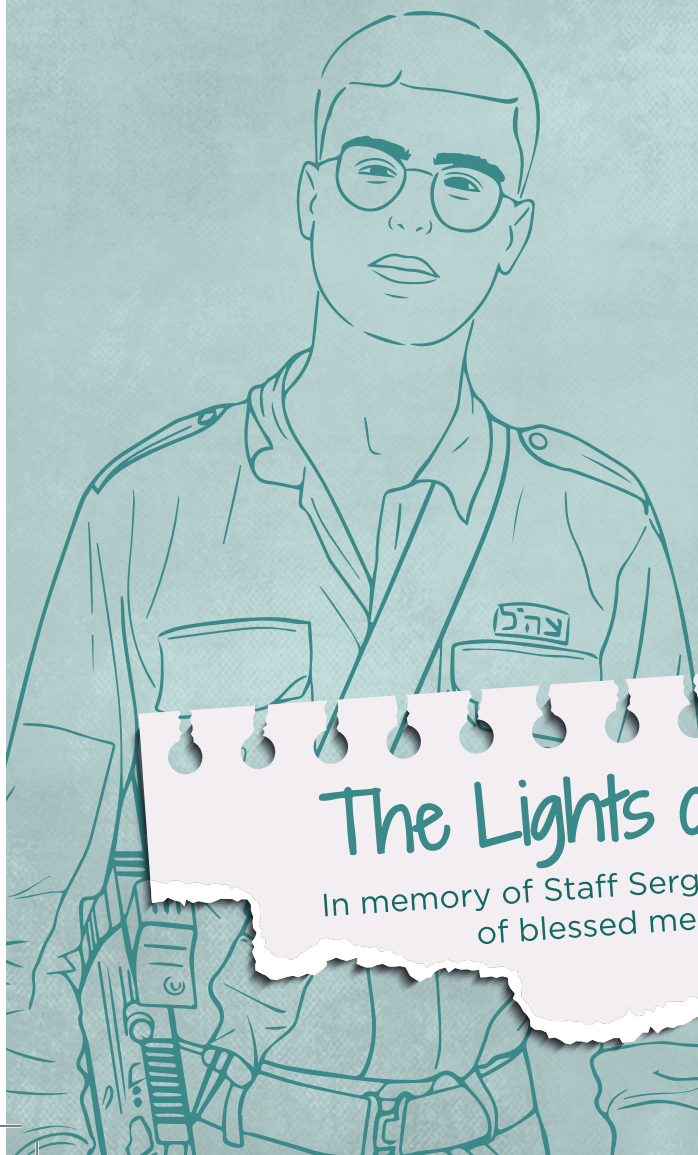
Friendship

To my good friends



- Is "friendship " an outmoded concept?
- What would you expect a good friend to do for you?

Gratitude



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Gratitude. Various studies scientifically exploring the experience of gratitude have found that although gratitude seems simple and obvious, it is in fact remarkably complex... People with a strong inclination towards gratitude also more easily empathize with others...

"... (Mom and Dad) I want you to know how much I appreciate you. Even when I was having a tough time, you never wavered in your efforts to get close to me and help me... Thank you for always making sure that we had everything – that we lacked for nothing [...] We had such a wonderful upbringing [...] You mean everything to me."

"To my good friends... Thank you for always being there for me and making my childhood amazing ."

Gratitude

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"There's a place, a deserted island,
and I want to go there
I need not fear to lose myself on
the way
I learn from everything that was

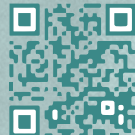
I no longer stop or touch time
I am looking for meaning – a small
moment of happiness
I know that someone is here with
me, someone is here with me."

From: "Someone is Here with Me" by
Benaia Barabi

Thank you for always
being there for me.

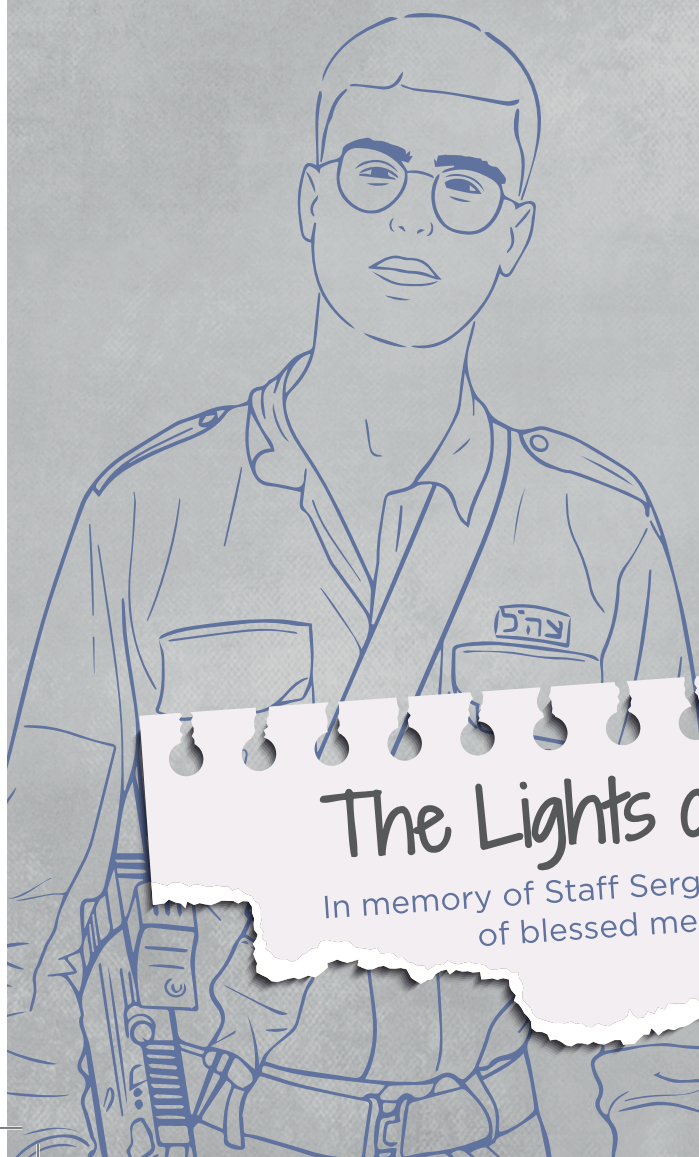


"Thankfulness has an inner connection with humility. It recognizes that what we are and what we have is due to others..." ~ Rabbi Jonathan Sacks



- Are we able to really appreciate all the good things that we have?
- What are you grateful for?

Honoring One's Parents and Family



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At the core of the Jewish commandments pertaining to the concept of family are **"honoring and giving"** as the foundational values of the family unit. Parents are required to educate and feed their children, to teach them a trade and how to be respectful. Children are required to learn, to respect and to love.

"To the Leon family and the Perlberg family: I have always felt at ease with you. The warm and homey atmosphere, your generosity and humor always gave me the feeling that there was something in me from each and every one of you.

"I truly thank you for everything. I love you."

"... (Mom and Dad) you should know that I cherish you so much [...] In the end, family is everything, and you always accepted me as I was.

"You mean everything to me."



In the end,
family is everything.

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"How many days I spent with her – my Mom.

How many tears I wiped away with her – mine, hers.

How many things I discovered with her – my Mom.

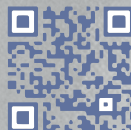
How many hopes I shared with her.."

From "My Mom" by Arik Einstein

"Train a child in the path he should follow"

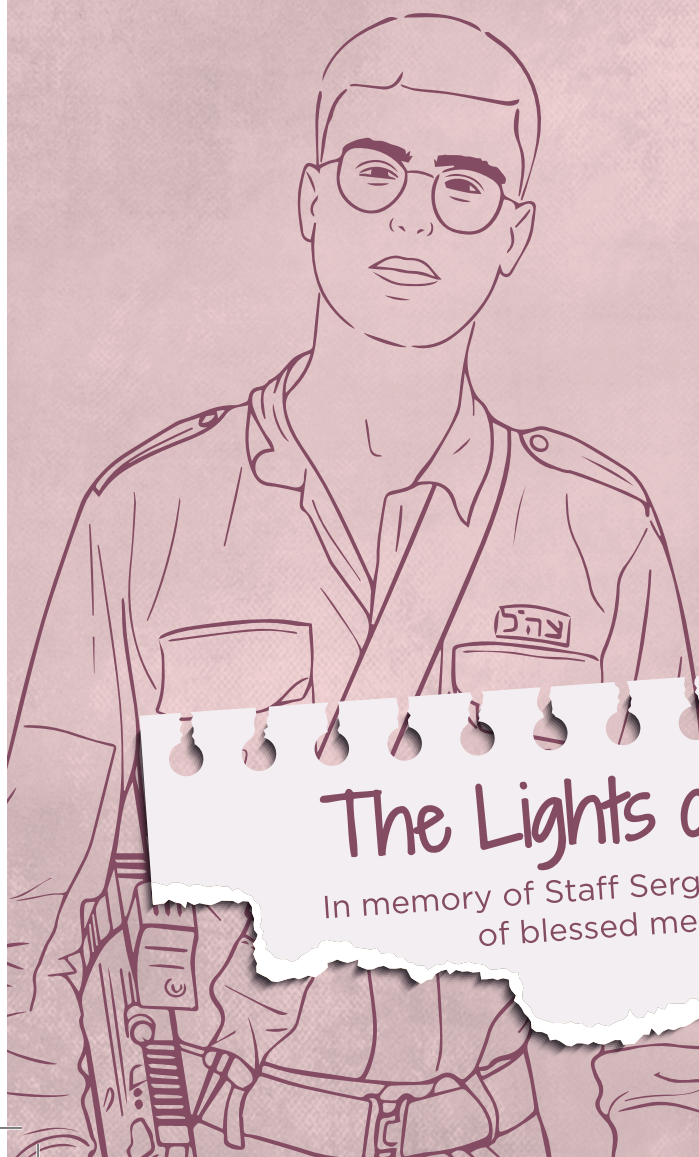
~ Proverbs 22:6

Honoring One's Parents & Family



- What does family mean to you?
- What is your special "role" in your family?

Faith



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Faith is a state in which a person feels that a certain assertion or assumption is correct – that it is the truth.

"... I am heading off to this war with the knowledge that I may not return, but I believe with all my heart in what I am doing. [...] This is what my parents taught me. This is what I believe in."

Faith



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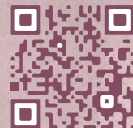
"Rejoice, rejoice now in the dreams
I the dreamer am he who speaks
Rejoice, for I'll have faith in mankind
For in you I believe.

For my soul still yearns for freedom
I've not sold it for a calf of gold
For I shall yet have faith in mankind
In its spirit great and bold."

From "I Believe" by Shaul Tchernichovsky

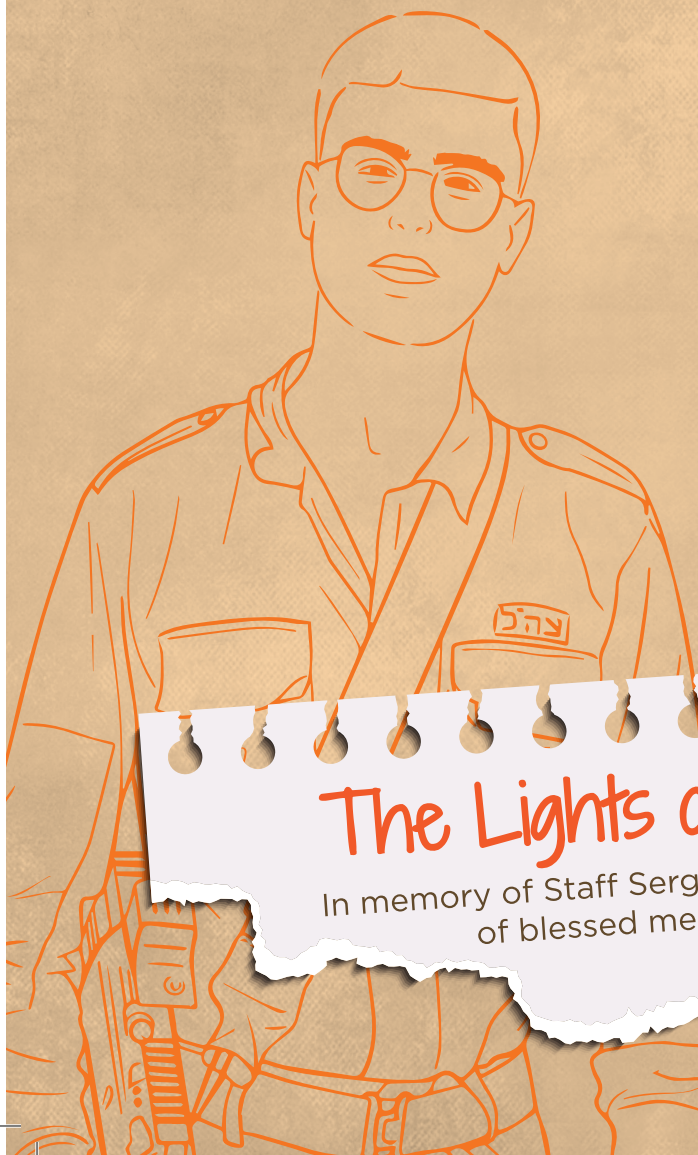
"When we learned to speak our first word,
there was nothing else, only faith"

~ Roi Levy



- What is faith?
- Share a beliefs of yours that strengthens you.
- Is a person who has faith free of fear?

Selfless Devotion



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Selfless Devotion is steadfast loyalty, an uncompromising willingness to sacrifice.

"... I tried to put it off again and again, but they told us that we're going into Gaza tomorrow and that we may not return..."

I am heading into this war and there is a possibility we may not return, but I believe with all my heart in what I am doing

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“To give
To give your heart, to give your soul
To give
To give yourself, to give your all.

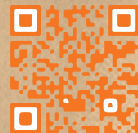
And how to find the perfect set
Between to give and what you get
Always learning ways to give”

Frim: "To Give" by Boaz Sharabi

"... Selfless Devotion – this means giving of your body, your strength, your money, your heart for the sake of someone or something other than yourself! And what's truly remarkable is that you don't do this just once in a while, but all the time, every single day, minute by minute"

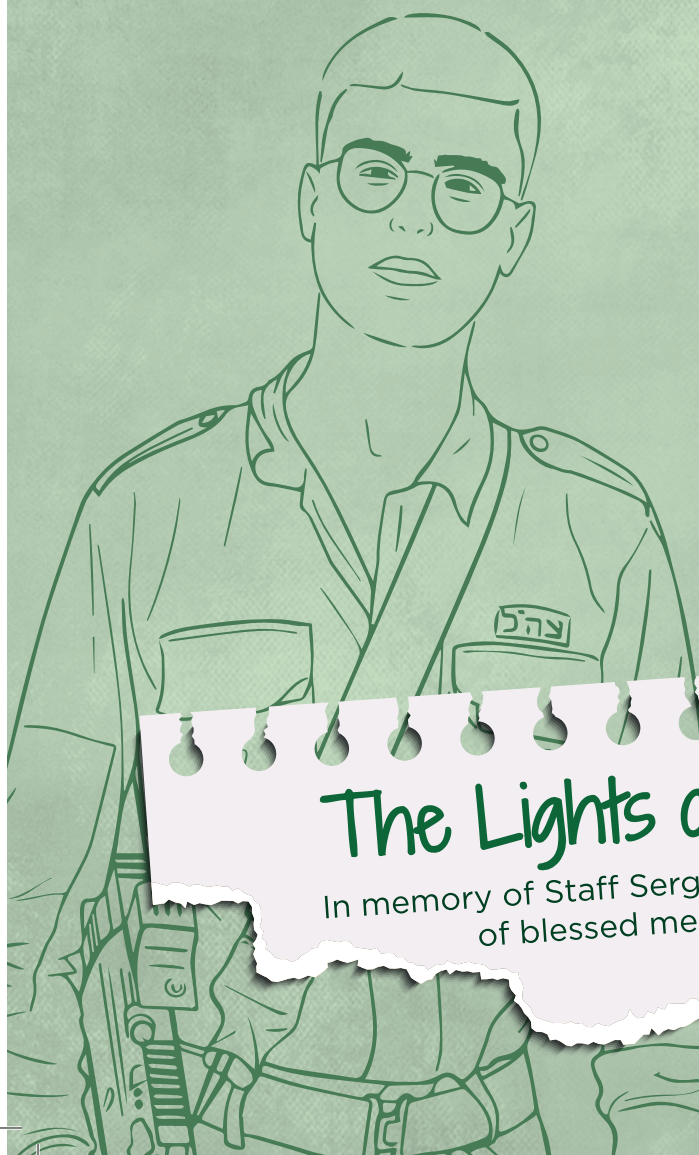
~ Eliraz Peretz

Selfless Devotion



- What does selfless devotion mean to you?
- Is selfless devotion possible in an era in which the "I" is at the center?

Maturity



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Maturity marks the onset of a time in a person's life signifying the consolidation of one's identity, reason and emotional depth.

"...(Oriki) I don't know how a little girl your age is supposed to read something like this and how you will accept it, but always remember that I love you and miss you. And if you want, you can always talk to me in your thoughts. I'll be listening to you, even from Heaven above."

"...(Zohar) Now you are the elder sister in the family. That's a tough job, but I'm sure you'll be up to it, because that's who you are: responsible, wise, and caring – some might say "the successful sister..."

Maturity

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"This path begins here
Between a bank and a spring
Unpaved, not always marked
This path begins here

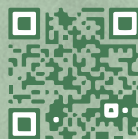
It goes through the town
Climbs into the hills
Continues over the sea
Continues into tomorrow too
It cuts through the air, between the houses
Goes towards the light, into new life."
From Goes Out to the Light by Ehud Banai

And if you want, you can
always talk to me in your
thoughts. I'll be listening to
you, even from Heaven above.



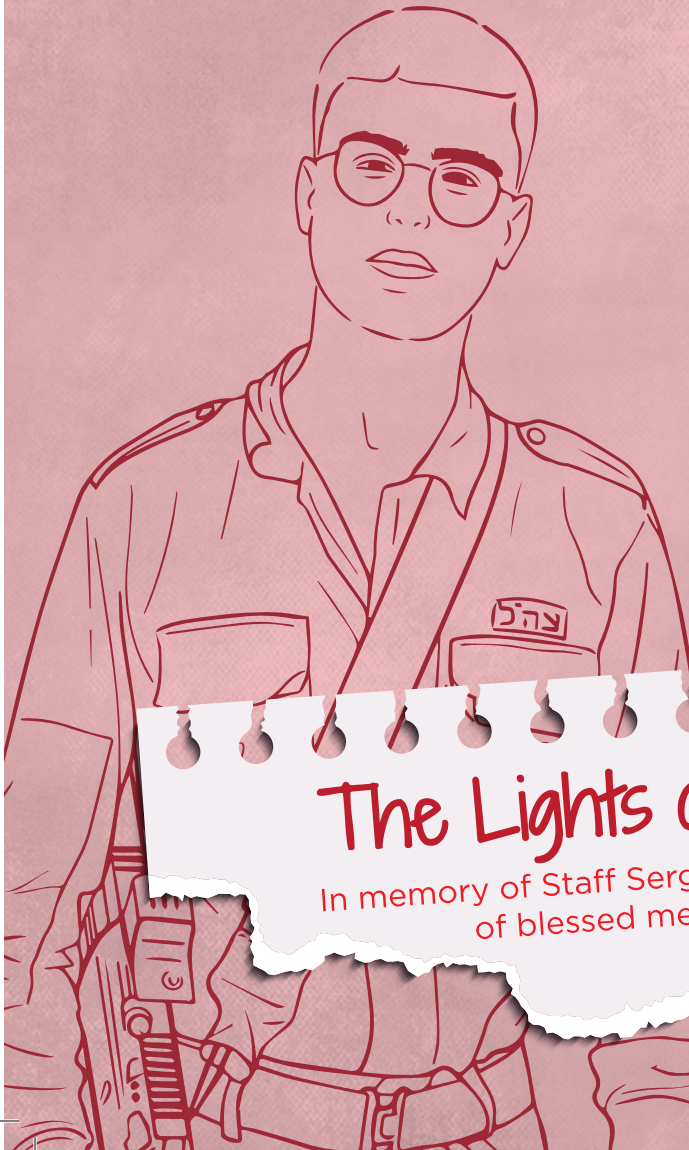
"I am not bound to succeed, but I am bound to
live by the light that I have"

~ Abraham Lincoln



- Discuss a time in your life when you felt mature in some aspect of your life.
- Who has been an inspiration for you in your personal development?

Sensitivity



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Sensitivity is the ability to discern and be aware of stimuli, changes and emotional nuances. It includes keen observation and intense involvement in an experience. Sensitivity also includes the capacity to understand and interpret the feelings of others, as well as to empathize.

Sensitivity

"... (to Oriki) You are only 10 years old, and still so innocent. I always enjoy seeing you get excited and enthusiastic and discovering new things. It reminds me of myself [...] I don't know how a girl your age is supposed to read something like this..."

"I cannot write to everyone, because I've been privileged to meet so many people during my life, but it is nevertheless important to me to express my gratitude ..."

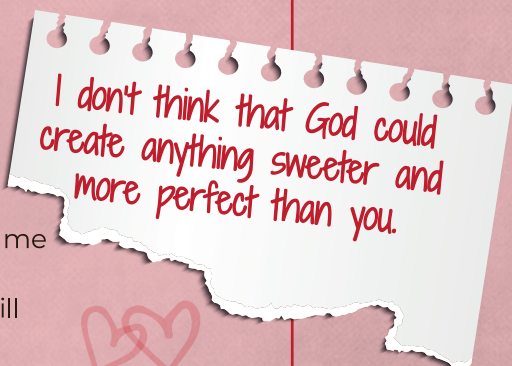
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"I am running
I need to make it while I can
Every time I sweat
And it doesn't bother me or get me
high
And there is light in you, and I will
surely return"

"I Am Running" by David "Dudu" Tassa

**"I've learned that people will forget what you said,
people will forget what you did, but people will
never forget how you made them feel"**

~ Maya Angelou



- Is sensitivity a quality that helps us move forward or does it hold us back?
- What do people see and hear when they meet a sensitive person?

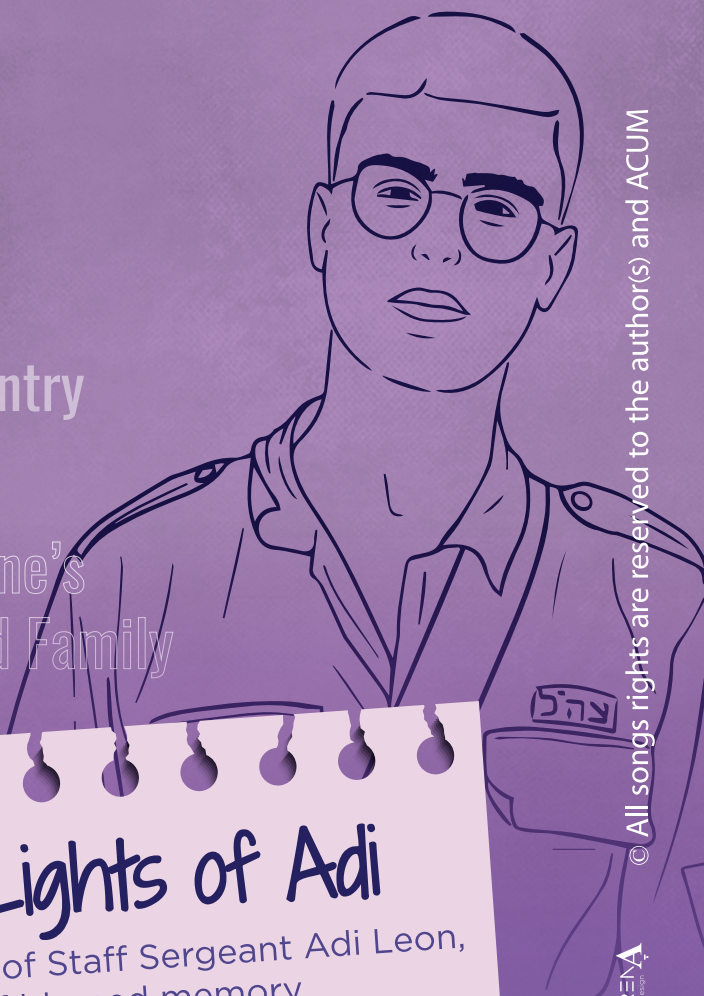
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