

# Torah

You were. You are. You will always be.

## *Torah, you were.*

- You existed before creation. Written in black fire upon white fire.
- God created the world so that you could be given to the children of Israel. The souls of all our generations, past and future, were there, at Sinai, to accept you.
- It was our acceptance of you whereby the world continues to exist.

## *Torah, you are.*

- You are called Etz Chayim, a tree of life.
- But you are more. You are a Ner Tamid, an eternal flame to guide our path.
- We study you: Peshat, Remez, Derash, Sod. The plain, the allegorical, the metaphorical, the hidden. Each generation adding to the commentary.

## *Torah, you will always be.*

- You are endless, eternal.
- L'Dor V'Dor, throughout generations we read you from Bereshis to Vezoth Haberachah to Bereshis.
- We embrace you and dance with you into the World to Come.
- In the Heavenly Gan Eden we will learn God's Torah, taught by the Messiah.

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Blessed are you, Adonai, who gives Torah.

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