

# THE WEXNER FOUNDATION

## THE LEADERSHIP OF TORAH

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Susie Sorkin: Mazel tov to you, Erica, on your new role! So fantastic!

Angie Atkins: Amen. Mazal tov to Erica!

Searle Mitnick: He's looking heavenward

Michelle Anfang: he looks fearful

Sue BK (she/her): Not sure what the creature is beneath him. I can't tell whether it's an idol? A doll? Or something else

Elka Abrahamson: Learning in honor of the chuppah of Yaffa Epstein and Shimmy Feintuch!

Scott Stone: Jacobs hands seem to be making a connection between the sheep and himself to god.

Yael Bendat-Appell: he looks like he is hiding something

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Jeni Friedman: I'm with Yael

Vanessa Ressler: To me it looks like he is protecting the sheep from whatever has him spooked.

Shelly Kupfer: looks like he is caught by surprise—especially with his hand motion going to cloak

Judy Oberlander: astonishment...with his hand over his chest

Jeni Friedman: It's almost like a "who me?" expression

Leora Zabusky: He seems to feel let down, left alone

Caryn Rosen Adelman: does Jacob feel he is getting what he deserved by his own deception

stephen g: ran from esau

Shelly Kupfer: toldot

Susie Sorkin: did he feel as though he deserved some punishment?

Caryn Rosen Adelman: sort of like a like giving community service instead of jail time

Jeni Friedman: Is that a rod in the bottom left corner?

Stuart Rossman: He has been relegated to the imperfect flock.

Caryn Rosen Adelman: diversity

Caroline Harris: Why else would there be a flock of only speckled sheep, instead of a mix of white and black and speckled sheep, unless someone needed to separate them?

Stuart Rossman: Rendered an "outsider" who is left to deal with the sheep Laban did not want.

Yael Bendat-Appell: Yaakov's attention to, and preference for, the "disregarded" sheep--> mirrors his own experience

jon cardin: It takes deep introspection to be fully self aware of who you are and why you're a product of your surroundings.

Angie Atkins: Mottling might also be ingenuity, innovation, grittiness - perhaps a better mascot for a patriarch.

David Rudis: Return to native land implies a return to purity. Away from the mottled life

Stuart Rossman: You dream of the penthouse, but you have to build the foundation, in the dirt with hard labor, first. You can't skip straight to your ultimate goal.

Caren Hammerman: there are so many competing organizations out there vying for attention. How to put mine on the map.

Scott Stone: The seemingly endless death spiral of synagogue Judaism (reform).

Caroline Harris: Not staying focused on the one goal and being distracted and pulled by others

Lena Katsnelson: Interpersonal history that you may not even be aware of can stand in the way of forward progress.

Neil Hazan: I see two key obstacles: (1) people with different, opposing interests; and (2) the noise of everyday life distracting us from our alms

Caryn Rosen Adelman: Looking for a new job and competing in diversity world

Scott Stone: Harness social media to make Judaism as popular/exciting as some TikTok influencers. Inspire teenagers?

Stefanie Zelkind: don't forget about the kayaks! the one individual who distracts...

Becca Thomas: Thank you, Erica! Join us next Tuesday, Dec. 8 for "Gender and Negotiation" with Professor Hannah Riley Bowles, a leading expert on gender in negotiation.

<https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJEpdeCsqDMoG9UDMmY5aDIh4ot87ysw1uBe>

Lisa Lisser: Shabbat shalom!!!!