

# ParshaPoem

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## HAZINU

### My Teaching

Showers on vast grasses each droplet  
distinct  
Snow drifting across the plain each flake  
unique  
Prolific Jacaranda's petals of identical  
inception  
Sui generis, floating far, wide  
Abundant paths flow from axiom's origin  
  
Let the torrent of truth  
Suffuse permeable minds  
Share the wisdom of experience  
Contemplate the other's insight  
Let My dew be inspiration  
For divine, disparate discourse  
Seventy faces of the Torah  
Talmud, midrash, peirush, pilpul  
Coloring the fields of human experience  
As crystal disperses the light of spring  
  
You each are my fertile offspring all

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## V'ZOT HAB'RACHA

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Moses' morasha  
God's gift  
Rotation of our years  
Demise of a man  
Turn of a page  
Inception of a world  
Full circle swinging  
Bridging last Lamed  
And Bet's beginning  
Heart of a nation  
Richest vein of inspiration  
Nucleus of our orbit  
Beat by beat, age upon age  
Torah