

A Thought for Shabbat

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This week's Torah portion, *Lech Lecha*, God tells Abram to leave his home and travel to the Promised Land and God assures him he shall be a blessing.

Do you believe you were born with potential to bring blessing to the world? What inside you can lead you to live at your best and hence enhance the lives of those around you? So many of our prayers begin with the words, "Baruch Ata Adonai...Blessed are You, God..." Some suggest this is a praise of God above. It could also be a recognition of the God within each one of us to a blessing. Thank God that the Divine Spirit gives us the possibility of literally changing our world and therefore the world around us so as to bring goodness to all.

We can say blessings and we have the potential to be blessings. Baruch Ata Adonai...Blessed are You, God, who implants with us the ability to brighten the world with our very best.