

From Sinai

by [Yehiel E. Poupko](#) in the [February 14, 2018](#) issue

In the beginning
It was passed on
It all began when
It was passed on
Handed down
From lip to ear
Mind to heart
Not taught
Not instructed
Not told
Not given
And surely not discussed
It was passed on to us.
Ere we were
It was
It was passed on to us,
And we became
The light
And the law
His flesh
In this life
Born again
Over and over
After each
And after every
No matter the fire
Restoration
The ways of holiness.
Eat not what they eat
Lie not with them and theirs
Clothe not thyself as they do

Speak not their tongues
Be that living passed on Torah.
Undone erased
You passed it back
In the ovens.