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MOSHIACH: PERSON, TEACHER, AND KING

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NEW FRUITS

What is the meaning of the verse (Bereishis 12:3), “All of the nations of the world will be blessed in you”? The word “blessed” can also be translated as “grafted.”

G-d is telling Avraham, “I have two good shoots to graft with you: Rus the Moabite and Na'amah the Amonite.” (Talmud, Yevamos 63a.)

Moshiach has a very peculiar lineage. He descends from Rus the Moabite convert, as well as Na'amah the Amonite, along with other unlikely marriages. Moshiach, like his ancestors' transitions, represents a completely radical change from our present state.

To initiate this change, G-d “grafted” a “good shoot” with the Jewish People: Moshiach, who is completely beyond the natural order.

On a global level, the Redemption requires uniting the spiritual with the physical, which reveals the G-dly essence that transcends both. The challenges of exile possess hidden good that, when converted to G-dliness through Torah and mitzvos, catapults us beyond our nature.

Maharal, Netzach Yisroel ch. 32