

<i>Book</i> {one of five}	סֵפֶר
<i>In the beginning</i> {name of book one}	בְּרֵאשִׁית
<i>And he settled</i> {chapter title}	וַיֵּשֶׁב
<i>Chapter</i> {number:}	פָּרָק
38	לח
<i>Verse</i> {number:}	פְּסוּק
18	יח
{Yehudah (Judah), desiring to be intimate with Tamar, was very eager to comply with whatever terms she demanded for her sexual favors.} <i>And he said</i> {; that is, it was Yehudah who said to Tamar:}	וַיֹּאמֶר
<i>What</i> {tangible items will suffice as}	מָה
<i>the security</i>	הָעֵרְבוֹן
<i>that</i>	אֲשֶׁר
<i>I should give</i>	אֶתֶּן
<i>to you</i> {whilst you are waiting for payment to be rendered?}	לָךְ
<i>And she said</i> {; that is, it was Tamar who said to Yehudah: Give me the ring that bears}	וַתֹּאמֶר
<i>your seal</i> {,}	חֲתָמְךָ
<i>and your cloak</i> {,}	וּפְתִילְךָ
<i>and your staff</i> {;}	וּמַטְּךָ
<i>that</i> {is, the one}	אֲשֶׁר
<i>in your hand</i> {. I will safeguard your personal effects, and when I receive the kid and lamb I will return your ring, cloak and staff to you. Yehudah agreed with Tamar's terms,}	בְּיָדְךָ
<i>and he gave</i>	וַיִּתֵּן
<i>to her</i> {the items she requested.}	לָהּ
<i>And he came</i>	וַיָּבֹא
{ <i>un</i> } <i>to her</i> {in an intimate manner. Some time after Tamar's and Yehudah's intimate encounter, Tamar stopped menstruating. Tamar had had intimate relations with Yehudah,}	אֵלֶיהָ
<i>and she became pregnant</i> {. As Yehudah was the only man Tamar had had intimate relations with, there was no doubt that fatherhood could only be attributed}	וַתֵּהָרֵם
<i>to him</i> {; Yehudah.}	לוֹ: