

## **Imagination**

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Imagination is a powerful thing. It can take an ordinary day and turn it into something magical. I am a big believer in the power of imagination. I love to sit in a comfy spot and let my imagination run wild. I use these moments to create stories about what I hope to happen in the future. My future but also the future of others.

I use my power (although pretend) to bring to life beautiful futures for those I care about. Whether it is what the next stages will look like for my daughters or even what my next stage will include, they alway have happy endings.

That is the power of imagination.

Dreaming of what could be takes me out of the mundane and gives me possibilities; scenarios of success yet to come. But I will be honest, I don't limit myself to creating these scenarios with intricate details to just my family. I do the same for my friends and for situations around the world.

Now before you ask, these plots of my mind are private and I don't share them. I don't share them with anyone. But I don't want to leave you hanging so I will make an exception and share one.

Imagine a world that saw four hostages being rescued from civilian homes and celebrating. Imagine that the world saw what a miracle, what an amazing accomplishment, what a beautiful gift for their families and them to be rescued. No more daily beatings. No more being held against their will. Returning to their homes. Returning to a country that values life above all else.

Unfortunately this was just not the case this past Shabbat. Of course, those four hostages were rescued, and I stress the word rescued, but the rejoicing was only in Israel. Many in the world condemned the IDF for daring to execute such a coordinated, strategic mission in a civilian neighborhood.

The best statement of all can be seen on social media. "If you don't want the IDF in your home, don't keep hostages in it."

So I imagine a time, in the very near future, when the hostages will be rescued and the world will realize who they should support.

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Shabbat Shalom.