Moses said to his "father-in-law," Chovev son of Reuel, the Midianite, "We are now on our way to the place that God promised to give us. Come with us and we will let you share the benefit of all the good things that God has promised Israel."
"I remember a similar experience during the illness of my wife. She was sick for four years. I am a realist, and it is very hard to fool me; but, somehow, I was convinced that she would manage to get out of it, and I lived with hope and tremendous unlimited faith. However, the last Yom Kippur before she died, I was holding a sefer Torah for Kol Nidrei. When the hazzan finished Kol Nidrei and said the blessing Sheheheyanu, I turned over the sefer Torah to a student of mine and told him to put it back in the aron kodesh. He placed it back, but apparently he did not place it well. The sefer Torah slipped and fell inside the aron kodesh. At that moment, I was filled with a dreadful sense that nothing would help my wife’s situation. And so it was."

[75. The Decree of Forty Years Wandering]

26 God spoke to Moses and Aaron, saying, 27 “How long shall this evil group exist, complaining against Me? I have heard how the Israelites are complaining about Me. 28 Tell them as follows:

“As I am Life, it is God's solemn declaration that I will make your accusations against Me come true. 29 Because you complained about Me, your corpses will fall in this desert. [This will happen to your complete

11 Why are You treating me so badly?” said Moses to God. “Don’t you like me any more? Why do You place such a burden upon me? 12 Was I [the woman] who was pregnant with this nation [in my belly]? Did I give birth to them? But You told me that I must* carry them in my bosom, as a nurse carries an infant [until we come]* to the land that You swore to their ancestors.