

# SEFER YETZIRAH 4.8



משנה ח': (בבא א') המליך אות ב' בחכמה וקשר לו כתר  
וצרפן זה בזה וצר בהם לבנה בעולם יום ראשון בשנה ועין ימין  
בנפש זכר ונקבה:

4.8: He made the letter Bet king over Wisdom And He bound a crown to it And He combined one with another And with them He formed The Moon in the Universe Sunday in the Year The right eye in the Soul, male and female.

*(Rabbi Aryeh Kaplan translation)*

4:8 IT made ruler the letter bet in wisdom and connected to it a surrounding circle and combined this with this and formed with them Jupiter in the world, first day (Sunday) in the year, and right tunnel of the nose in the person, male and female.

*(Doc Benton translation)*

The letter *bet* is a quality and mode of being that expresses itself in space, time, and in the individual. Additionally, *bet* represents a *bracha*, a *blessing*, and on *Sundays*, in particular, I want to both give thanks for my *blessings* and be a *blessing*. Astrologically, *Jupiter* symbolizes growth and expansion, and I try to engage in these sorts of activities, too, on *Sunday*.

Note also that while different versions of the *Sefer Yetzirah* may assign different *days* and *planets* to the *letters*, that is not what is important here. What is important is that the pattern of *three* may be represented in terms of *space* and *time* with *consciousness* as the connecting link between them.