

How I'm Finding Blessings Amid the Separation



When our second son, Evan Ariel, was born on February 26, I expected that we would be more or less homebound for the weeks that followed. What I hadn't anticipated was that the rest of the world would be joining us in our isolation.

As challenging as these days of quarantine have been, I take comfort in the many ways this strange time of separation have enabled us – however ironically – to come together. Here are a few of the “blessings of separation” I've experienced in the age of COVID-19.

1. We've worshiped online with our local Jewish community and beyond.

Although livestreamed services are not quite the same as worshipping in person, I've cherished the opportunity to virtually visit many Jewish

that so many people joined our synagogue's online services that we had to increase the bandwidth of our server.