

A Sincere Sin or A Hypocritical Mitzvah?

Letters and Numbers of Torah – Vayeira

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Genesis 20:6

“And God said to him in a dream, "I too know that you did this with the innocence of your heart, and I too have withheld you from sinning to Me; therefore, I did not let you touch her.”

וַיֹּאמֶר אֱלֹהֵי הָאֱלֹהִים בְּחֶלֶם גַּם אֲנֹכִי יָדַעְתִּי כִּי בְתֵם לְבַבְךָ עָשִׂיתָ זֹאת וְאֶחְשֶׂה גַם אֲנֹכִי אוֹתָךְ מִחַטּוֹ לִי עַל כֵּן
לֹא נִתְּתִיךָ לְנִגְעַ אֵלֶיךָ:

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Why is the word **מִחַטּוֹ** missing an *alef*?