## I AM A JEW

Under the large umbrella Of Klal Israel I hear thunder And torrential rain

Broken glass And angry shouts Of hate

I am under
The umbrella
Of Klal Israel
Comforted by
My Jewish people

My spirit is strong My head held high By thousands of years Of sacred books

Teaching life is sacred In its own No one can take it away

I am a Jew
Of Klal Israel
Proud of my heritage
Holding within my
Hands and heart
Ties that link
Us together

I am One with every
Woman...Man...Child
Now suffering......
They are my
Brother...Sister...Mother...Father...Cousin

I am the American child
I am the child from
Darfur
I am the child from
Nigeria
I am the child from
Kosovo
I am the child from
I am the child from
I am the child from
I am the child

All children are Our children

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