BEARING THE BURDEN

by Rabbi Chaim Flom

"After my husband died, I appreciated that twenty people asked me if there was anything that they could do for me. However, I asked them all a certain favor, and you were the only one who did it."

"And G-d said to Moshe 'Gather seventy men of the elders of Israel, who you know to be elders and police...'" (Bimidbar 11:16). Rashi says that these seventy were chosen as the "elders of Israel" because they were the Jewish police in Egypt who willingly bore the brunt of labor and lashes given by the Egyptians, instead of their fellow Jews!!

A vital Jewish trait is "bearing the burden with your friend". (Pirkei Avos 6:6)

Have a great Shabbos !!

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