

In 'WandaVision,' Timely Jewish Wisdom About Coping With Loss

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When Wanda Maximoff of the Marvel Cinematic Universe—known as the Scarlet Witch—was forced to kill the love of her life, she was traumatized. Vision, a synthetic being whom she fought alongside in many movies prior, meant the world to her. But to save the world, she had to destroy her own. In Marvel's "WandaVision," she used her superpowers to create a new reality for herself, one where she and Vision lived with twin sons, a vibrant community, and only laughs. Rabbi Shmuel Hain explains why that miniseries offers profound insight into the aftermath of loss—how we grieve and mourn what was. Grief, he tells us from the Marvel superhero and Judaism's ancient rabbis, is just love persevering.

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