

ַמה טבוּ אהָלֶיךָ יַעֲקב, מְשְׁכְּנתֵיךָ יִשְרָאֵל.

Mah Tovu O'halecha Ya'akov Mishkenotecha Yisrael *—tradition is all right, but this is another day!
I'll live my life as I see fit!





Great is teshuvah, for it existed in the world before Creation, as it says:

"Before the mountains came to birth, you, Adonai, gave the human being the ability to change and be humble."

פתחו לי

פּתְחוּ לִי שַׁעֲרֵי צֶדֶק ,אָבא בָם אוֹדֶה יָה. זֶה הַשַּׁעַר לַה' צַדִּיקִים יָבְאוּ בוֹ.

Pitchu Li Sha'arei Tzedek Avo Vam Odeh Yah.

Zeh HaSha'ar La'Adonai Tzadekim Yavoh-oo Voh.

אֱלֹהַי, נְשָׁמָה שֶׁנָתַתָּ בִּי טְהוֹרָה הִיא.

Elohai Neshama S'nata-tah Bi T'horah He





בְּרְכוּ אֶת יְיִ הַמְבֹרְדְ. Bor'chu et Adonoy Ham'vorach

בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבֹרְךְ לְעוֹלָם וְעֶד.

Baruch Adonoy Hamevorach

L'olam va-ed

Every day Creation is renewed. Wake up and see unfolding In the spreading light of dawn, The world and all it contains Coming into being, new, fresh, Filled with divine goodness And love. Every day, Creation is renewed. Reflected in the great lights We see a new day, One precious day, Eternity.

וְהָאֵר עֵינְינוּ בְּתוֹרָתֶךְ, וְדַבֵּק לִבְּנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ, וְיַחֵד לְבָבְנוּ לְאַהֲבָה וּלְיִרְאָה אֶת שְׁמֶךְ

בָּרוּךְ אַתָה יי אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְרָאֵל

V'Ha'air Aineinu B'Torahtecha, v'Dabaik Li'beinu B'Mitzvotecha V'yachaid L'vahveinu L'ahavah ul'yirah et Shemecha. Baruch Atah Adonoy Ohev Amo Yisrael.

Enlighten us with your Torah, cause our hearts to cling to your imperatives.

Make our hearts one, to love your name and be in awe of it.

Blessed are you Abundant One, who lovingly cares for your people Israel.

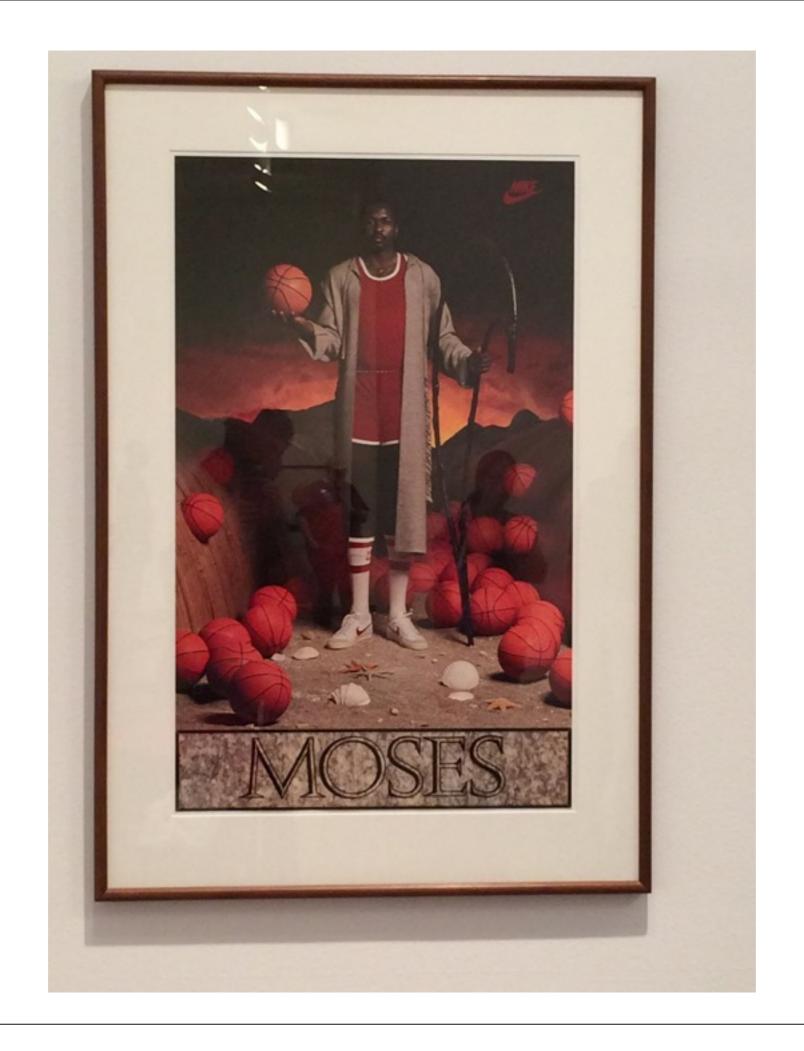
שְׁמַע | יִשְׂרָאֵל, יְיָ | אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְיָ | אֱרָד: בָרוּדְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וְעֶד.

Shema Yisrael Adonoy Eloheinu Adony Echad

Baruch Shem K'vod Malchutoh L'olam Va'ed

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֵת יָיָ | אֱלֹהֵידָּ, בְּכָל-לְבְבְדָּ וּבְכָל-נַפְשְׁךּ, וּבְכָל-מְאֹדֶדְ. וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרים ָרָאֵלֶּה, אֲשֶׁר | אֲנֹכִי מְצַוְּדְּ הַיּוֹם, עַל-לְבָבֶה: וְשִׁנַּנְתִּם לְבָנֵידּ, וְדִבַּרְתִּ בָּם בְּשִׁבְתִּךְ בְּבֵיתֶךּ, וּבְלֶכְתִּךְ בַדֶּרֶדְ וְבְשַׁכְבְּדָ, וּבְקוּמֶדְ. וקשׁרְתִּם לְאוֹת | עַל-יָדֶדְ, וְהָיוּ לְטֹטְפַת בֵּין | עֵינֶיךּ, וּכְתַבְתָם | עַל מְזִזת בִּיתֶךּ וּבִשְׁעְרֵיךּ:

And you must love The One, your God, with your whole heart, with every breath, with all you have. Take these words that I command you now to heart. Teach them intently to your children. Speak of them when you sit inside your house or walk upon the road, when you lie down and when you rise. And bind them as a sign upon your hand, and keep them visible before your eyes. Inscribe them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.



מִי כָמְכָה בָּאֵלִם יְיָ, מִי כָּמְכָה נֶאְדָּר בַּקְדֵש, נוֹרָא תְהַלֹּת עְשֵׁה בֶּלָא.

Mi Cha'mocha Ba'Aleem Adonoy Mi Ka'mocha Neh'e'dar Ba'Kodesh Norah T'hilot Oseh Feleh, Oseh Feleh. צוּר יִשְׂרָאֵל, קוּמָה בְּעֶזְרַת יִשְׂרָאֵל, וּפְדֵה כִּנְאֵמֶךּ יְהוּדָה וְיִשְׂרָאֵל. גֹּאֲלֵנוּ יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ, קְדוֹשׁ יִשְׂרָאֵל. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, גָּאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל: בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, גָּאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל:

Tzor Yisrael, Kumah b'ezrat Yisrael, ufday chinumecha Yehudah v'Yisrael. Go'a'leinu Adonai Tzva'ot Shemo K'dosh Yisrael. Baruch Atah Adonai, Ga'al Yisrael. אָדֹנִי שְׁפָתֵי תִּפְתָּח וּפִי יַגִּיד תְּהַלְּתֵּך:

Adonai Sefatai Tiftach u'fi Yagid Tihilatecha

Eternal One Open my lips so my mouth may declare Your Glory

בָרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ אֵלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אַבוֹתֵינוּ, אַלהֵי אַבְרָהַם, אֵלהֵי יִצְחַק, וֵאלהֵי יַעַקב. הָאֵל הַגָּדוֹל הַגִּבוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא, אֵל עֵלִיוֹן, גומל חַסְדִים טוֹבִים, וְקוֹנֵה הַכֹּל, וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אַבוֹת, וּמֵבִיא גּוֹאֵל לבני בניהם למען שמו בּאַהַבָּה

Baruch Atah Adonoy Eloheinu V'lohei Avoteinu Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yizhak, V'lohei Yaakov. Ha-El haGadol haGibor v'haNorah, El Elyon, Gomel Hasadim Tovim, v'koneh hakol, v'zocheir chasdei avot, u'mayvee go'el livneh v'neh'hem l'ma'an shmo b'ahavah. זְכְרֵנוּ לְחַיִּים, מֶלֶךְ חָפֵץ בַּחַיִּים, וְכָתְבֵנוּ בְּסֵפֶר הַחַיִּים, לְמַעַנְךָּ אֱלֹהִים חַיִּים. בְּסֵפֶר הַחַיִּים, לְמַעַנְךָּ אֱלֹהִים חַיִּים.

Zoch'renu L'chayim.

Melech Hafetz ba'chayim
v'kotveinu b'sefer ha'chayim
L'ma'ancha Elohim Chayim.

Remember us for life, sovereign who wishes us to live, and write us in the Book of Life, (and write ourselves in our own Book of Life), for your sake, ever-living Eternal One.

אַתָּה גָּבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי, מְחֵיֵּה מֵתִים אַתָּה, רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעֵּי מוֹרִיד הַּטָּל.

מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֲסֶד, מְחַיֵּה מֵתִים בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים, סוֹמֵך נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים, וּמְקַיֵּם אֲמוּנָתוֹ לִישׁנֵי עָפָר, מִי כָמְוֹךְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת וּמִי

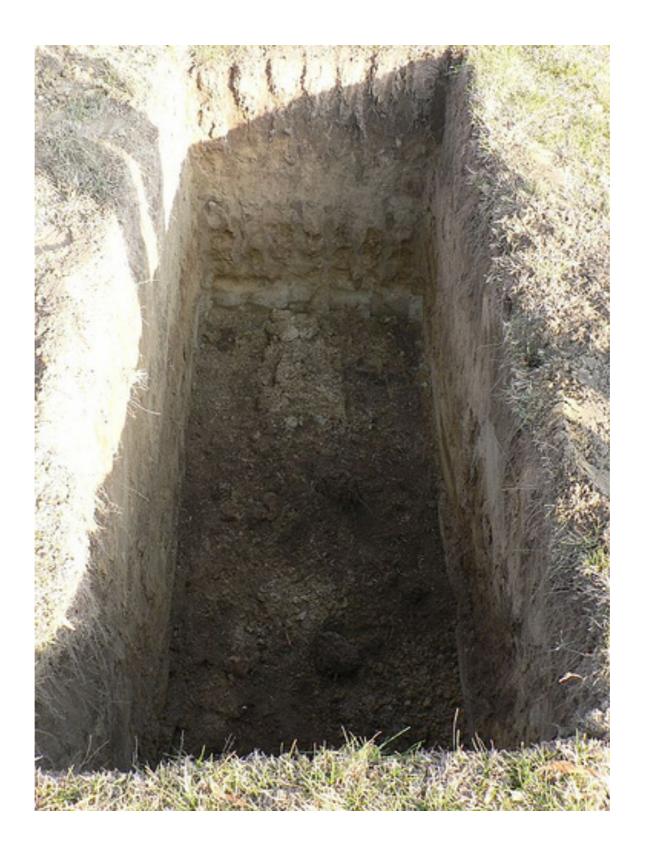
Atah Gibor L'olam Adonay, M'chayeh Mayteem Atah Rav L'Hoshiah. M'chalkail chayyim b'chessid, m'chayeh Maiteem B'rachamim Rabeem. Somech Noflim, v'Rofeh Holeem u'matir asureem, u'm'kayem e'munatoe leeshaynay afar. MiChamocha Ba'al Gevurot u'me

דְּוֹמֶה לָדְ, מֶלֶדְ מֵמִית וּמְחֵיֶה וּמַצְמֵיח יִשׁוּעָה:

מִי כְמוֹדְּ אַב הָרַחֲמֶן, זוֹכֵר יְצוּּרָיו לְחַיִּים בְּרַחֲמִים: וְנָאֲמֶן אַתָּה לְהַחֲיוֹת מֵתִים.

בָרוּדְ אַתָּה יָיָ, מְחַיֵּה הַמֵּתִים:

Domeh Lach, melech mameet u'm'chayeh u'matzmiach yeshuah. Mi Chamocha Av HaRachamim, zocher y'tzurav l'chayim b'rachamim. V'ne'eman Atah L'hachayot mateem. Baruch Atah Adonoy, M'chayeh haMateem.



We have acted wrongly, we have been untrue, and we have gained unlawfully and we have defamed. We have harmed others, we have wrought injustice, we have zealously transgressed, and we have hurt and have told lies. We have improperly advised, and we have covered up the truth, and we have laughed in scorn. We have misused responsibility and have neglected others. We have stubbornly rebelled. We have offended. we have perverted justice, we have stirred up enmity, and we have kept ourselves from change.

Vi'duii Confessional

אָשַׁמְנוּ, בָּגַדְנוּ, גָּזַלְנוּ, דָּבַּרְנוּ דְּפִי. הֶאָוְינוּ, וְהִרְשַׁעְנוּ, זַדְנוּ, חָמַסְנוּ, טַפַּלְנוּ שֶׁקֶר. יָעֲצְנוּ רָע, כִּזַּבְנוּ, לַצְנוּ, מָרַדְנוּ, נִאַצְנוּ, סָרַרְנוּ, עָוְינוּ, פָּשַׁעְנוּ, צָרַרְנוּ, קשִׁינוּ עְרֶף. רָשַׁעְנוּ, שִׁחַתְנוּ, תִּעֲבְנוּ, תָּעֵינוּ, תִּעְתָּעְנוּ.

Ashamnu bagadnu gazalnu dibarnu dofi.
He'evinu vehirshanu zadnu hamasnu
tafalnu shaker. Ya'atznu ra kizavnu latznu
maradnu ni'atznu sararnu avinu pashanu
tzararnu kishinu oref. Rashanu shichatnu t'avnu
ta'inu titanu.



Al Chet For the Wrong...

We sin against God when we sin against ourselves; for our failures of truth, we ask forgiveness;

for pretending to emotions we do not feel;
for using the sins of others to excuse our own;
for denying our responsibility for our own misfortunes;
for refusing to admit our share in the troubles of others;
for condemning in our children the faults we tolerate in ourselves;
for passing judgment without knowledge of the facts;
for remembering the price of things but forgetting their value...

וְעַל בֵּלֶם, אֱלוֹהַ סְלִיחוֹת, סְלַח לְנוּ, מְחַל לְנוּ, כַּפֶּר-לְנוּ.

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And for all of them, God of forgiveness, please forgive us, pardon us, help us atone.

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על חֵטְא שֶׁחָטָאנוּ לְפָנֶידְ בְּאִמּוּץ הַלֵּב, וְעַל חֵטְא שֶׁחָטָאנוּ לְפָנֶידְ בִּבְּלוּי וּבַסְּתָר, על חֵטְא שֶׁחָטָאנוּ לְפָנֶידְ בַּגְּלוּי וּבַסְּתָר, וְעַל חֵטְא שֶׁחָטָאנוּ לְפָנֶידְ בְּדְעַת וּבְמִרְמָה.

Al chet sh'chatanu lifanecha b'emutz ha-lev v'Al chet sh'chatanu lifanecha bi'vli da'at, Al chet sh'chatanu lifanecha ba'galui u'vasah-ter v'Al chet sh'chatanu lifanecha b'da'at uvmermah.

Al Chet For the Wrong...

We sin against God when we sin against ourselves; for our failures of truth, we ask forgiveness;

for withholding love to control those we claim to love;
for confusing love and lust;
for using people as stepping stones to advancement
for treating with arrogance people weaker than ourselves;
for shunting aside those whose age is an embarrassment to us;
for cynicism which eats away our faith in the possibility of love.

וְעַל בֵּלֶם, אֱלוֹהַ סְלִיחוֹת, סְלַח לְנוּ, מְחַל לְנוּ, כַּפֶּר-לְנוּ.

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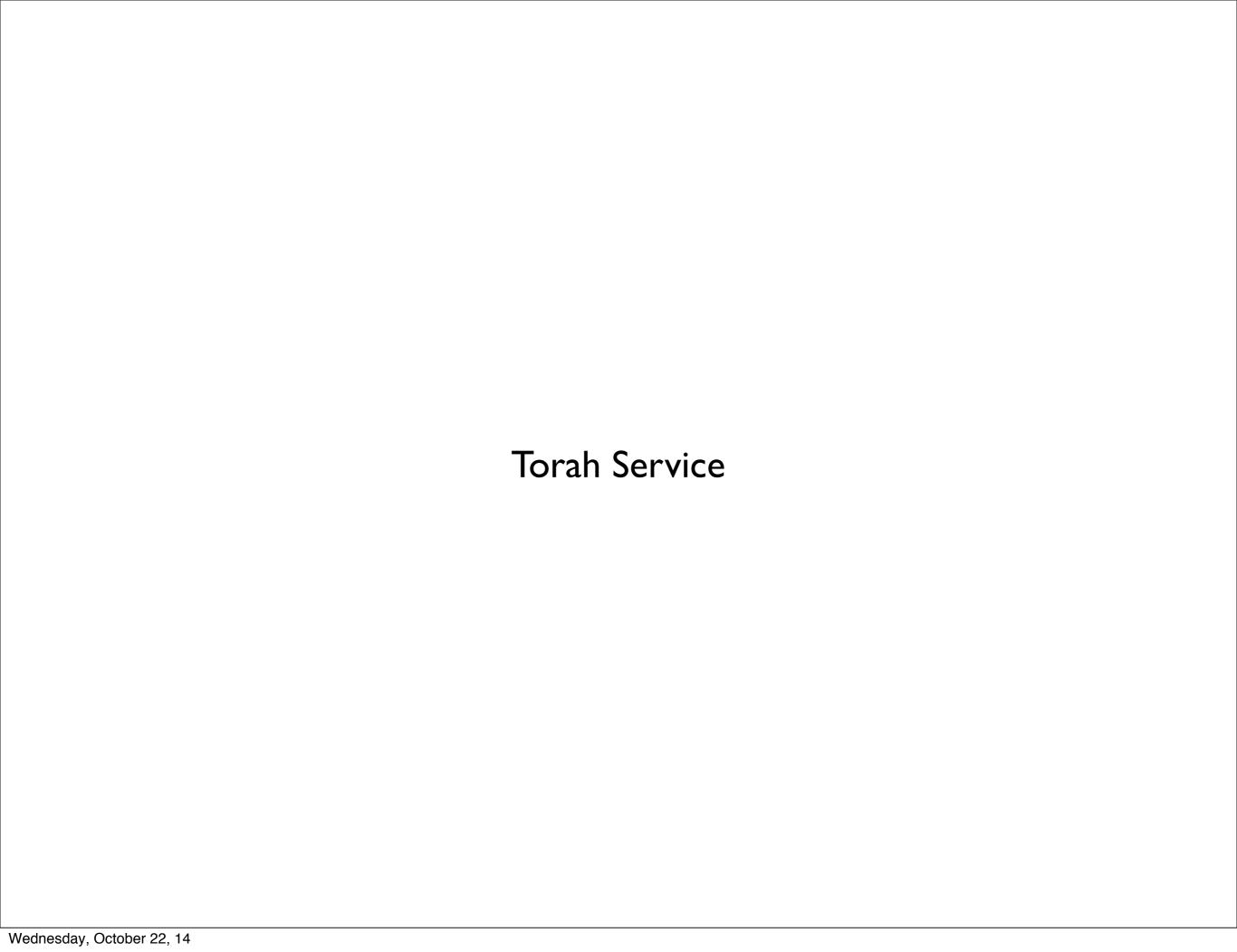
בְּקֵפֶר חַיִּים, בְּרָכָה, וְשָׁלוֹם, וּפַרְנָסָה טוֹבָה, נִזָּכֵר וְנִכְּתֵב לְפָנֶידְ, אֲנַחְנוּ וְכָל עַמְּדְ בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל, לְחַיִּים טוֹבִים וּלְשָׁלוֹם. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, עוֹשֵׂה הַשָּׁלוֹם.

Besefer chayim be'rachah ve'shalom ufarnasah tovah nizaher v'nikatev le'fanecha anachnu beyt yisrael le'chayim tovim u'leshalom

In the book of life, blessing, and peace and proper sustenance, may be be remembered and inscribed, we and all your people, the house of Israel, for a good life and for peace.

וְנָיָנְ, אֵל רַחוּם וְחַנּוּן, אֱרֶדְּ אַפַּיִם, וְרַב חֶסֶד וָאֲמֶת. נֹצֵר חֱסֶד לְאֲלָפִים, נֹשֵׂא עְוֹן וְבֶּשַׁע וְחַטָּאָה, וְנַקֵּה.

Adonoy Adonoy, El Rachum v'hanun Erech Apayim v'rav chessid v'emet. No'tzer ah-von va-fesha, v'chata-ah v'nakay.





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אַין כָּמודָ בָאֶלהִים אֲדונַי וְאין כְּמַעֲשֶׂידְ

Ein kamocha va-elohim Adonai, v'ein k'ma-a-se-cha

מַלכוּתְדָּ מַלְכוּת כָּל עֹלָמִים וּמֶמְשַׁלְתְדָּ בְּכָּל דור וְדר

malchoo-t'cha malchoot kol o-la-meem oo-mem-shal-t'cha b'kol dor v'dor

יהוה מלך, יהוה מֶלֶךְ וְיהוה יִמְלֹדְ לְעֹלֶם וָעֶד.

Adonai melech, Adonai malach, v'Adonai yeem-loch l'olam va-ed

יהוה עז לְעַמו יִתָּן, יהוה יְבָרֶךְ אֶת עַמו בַשָּלום.

Adonai oz l'amo yee-ten Adonai y'va-rech et amo va-shalom.

אַב הָרַחֲמִים, הֵיטִיבָה בָרְצוֹנְדְּ אֶת צִיּוֹן,

Av Harachameem He-tee-vah vir-tzon-cha et Tzion

תִּבְנֶה חוֹמוֹת יְרוּשָׁלַיִם.כִּי בְדְּ לְבַד בָּטָחְנוּ,

Teev-neh chom-ot Yerushalayim Kee v'cha l'vad Ba-tach-nu

מֶלֶדְ אֵל רָם וְנִשָּׂא, אֲדוֹן עוֹלָמִים.

Melech, El, Ram, v'nee-sa, Adon Olameem

There is none like you among the gods, O L-rd. And there is nothing like your works. Your kingdom is a kingdom over all eternities. And your dominion over every generation to generation. Adonai reigns, Adonai has reigned and Adonai will reign forever and ever. Adonai gives strength to His people. Adonai blesses His people with shalom.

Father of Mercy who does good to Tzion. According to Your will, You will build the walls of Jerusalem because we trust in you alone King, G-d, High and Exalted, Lord of Eternities.

BEFORE THE READING

בָּרְכוּ אֶת יָיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ.

Barchu et Adonai ham'vorach. Praise Adonai, the Blessed One.

בָרוּך יְיָ הַבְּבֹרָך לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Baruch Adonai ham'vorach l'olam va-ed. Praised be Adonai, who is blessed for ever and ever. (Repeat this line after the congregation recites it.)

Baruch Atah Adonai, elo-heinu melech ha-olam, asher bachar banu mi-kol ha-amim v'natan lanu et Torah-to. Baruch Atah Adonai, noten ha-Torah.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who has chosen us from among all the nations, and given us the Torah. Blessed are You, Adonai, Provider of the Torah.

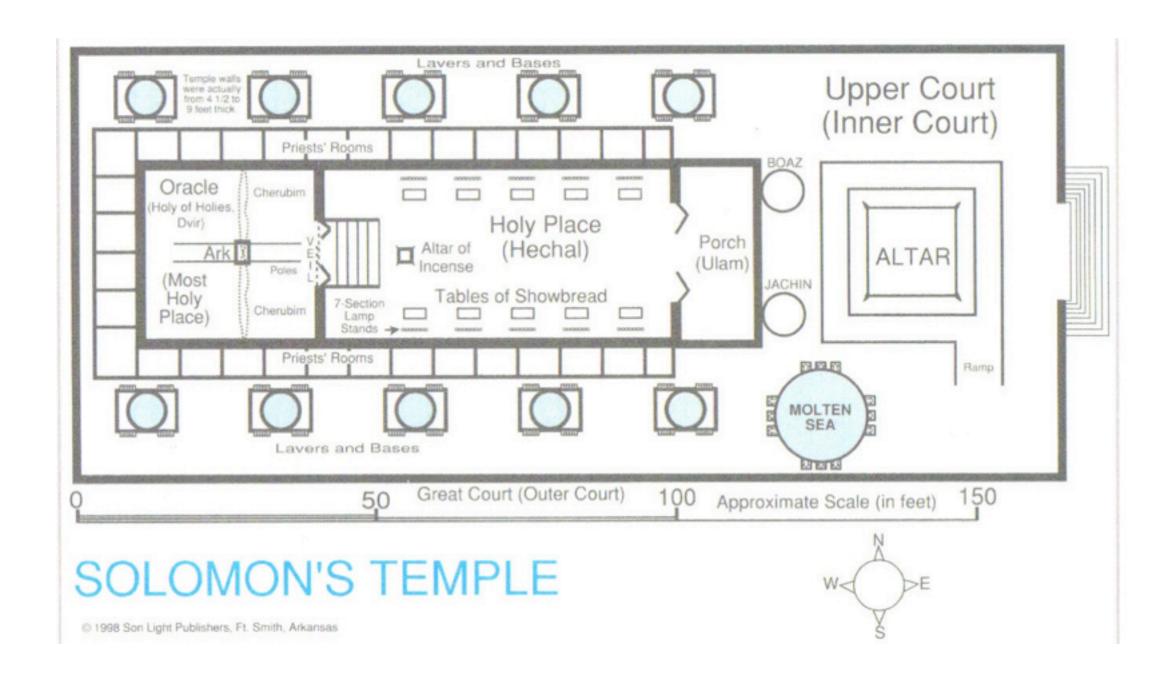
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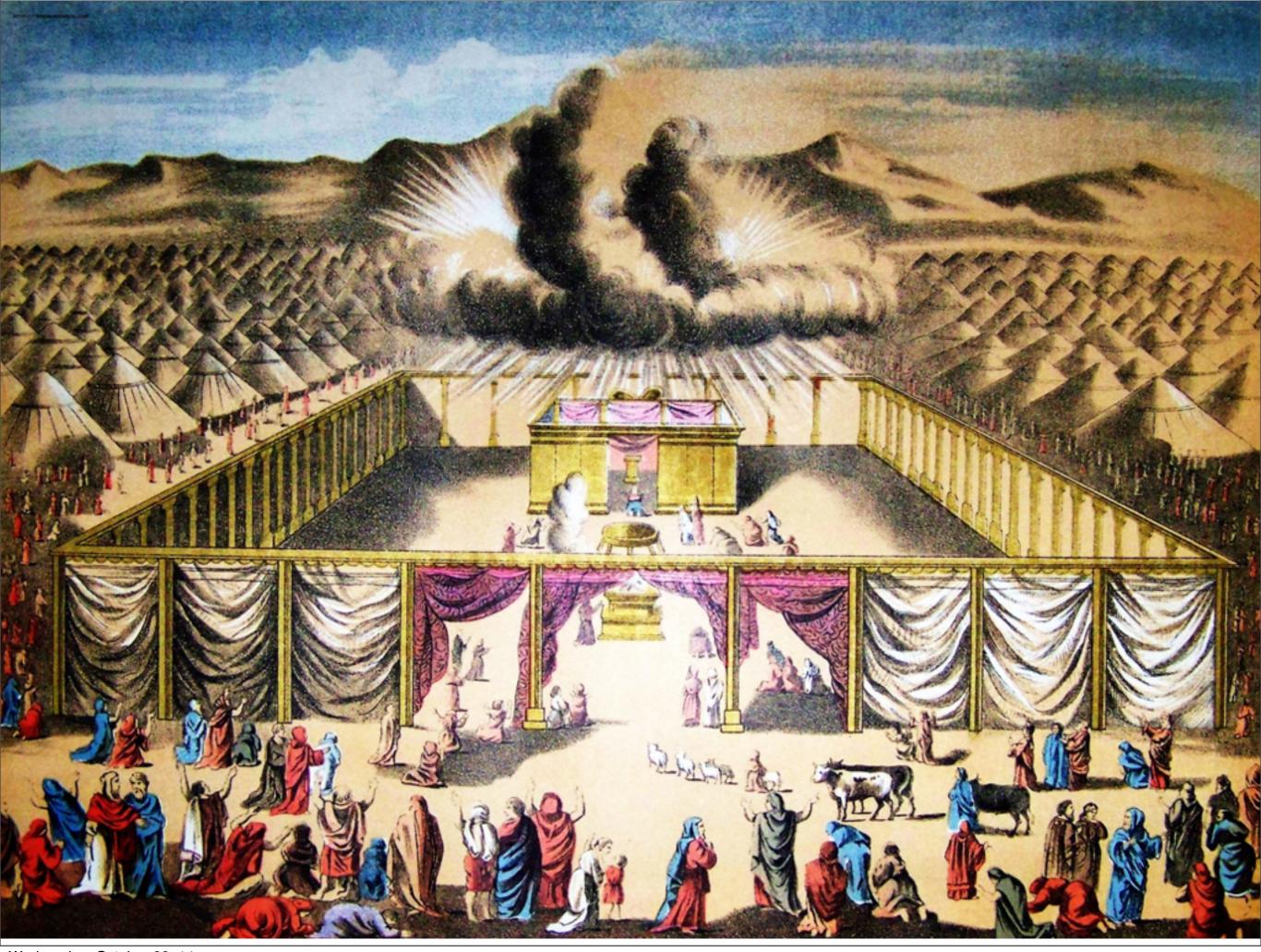
בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹבֵינוּ מֶלֶך הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לֵנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת, וְחַיֵּי עוֹלָם נָמַע בְּתוֹכֵנוּ: בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ נוֹתֵן הַתּוֹרָה:

Baruch Atah Adonai, elo-heinu melech ha-olam, asher natan lanu Torat emet, v'cha-yei olam nata b'to-cheinu. Baruch Atah Adonai, noten ha-Torah.

Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the universe, who has given us the Torah of truth, and implanted within us eternal life. Blessed are You, Adonai, Provider of the Torah.

Entering the Holy of Holies





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Prayer for Healing

Mi Shebeirach

Lyrics by Debbie Friedman and Drorah Setel

Mi shebeirach avoteinu M'kor habracha l'imoteinu

May the source of strength who blessed the ones before us, Help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing And let us say: Amen.

Mi shebeirach imoteinu M'kor habracha l'avoteinu

Bless those in need of healing with refuah sh'leimah The renewal of body, the renewal of spirit And let us say: Amen.

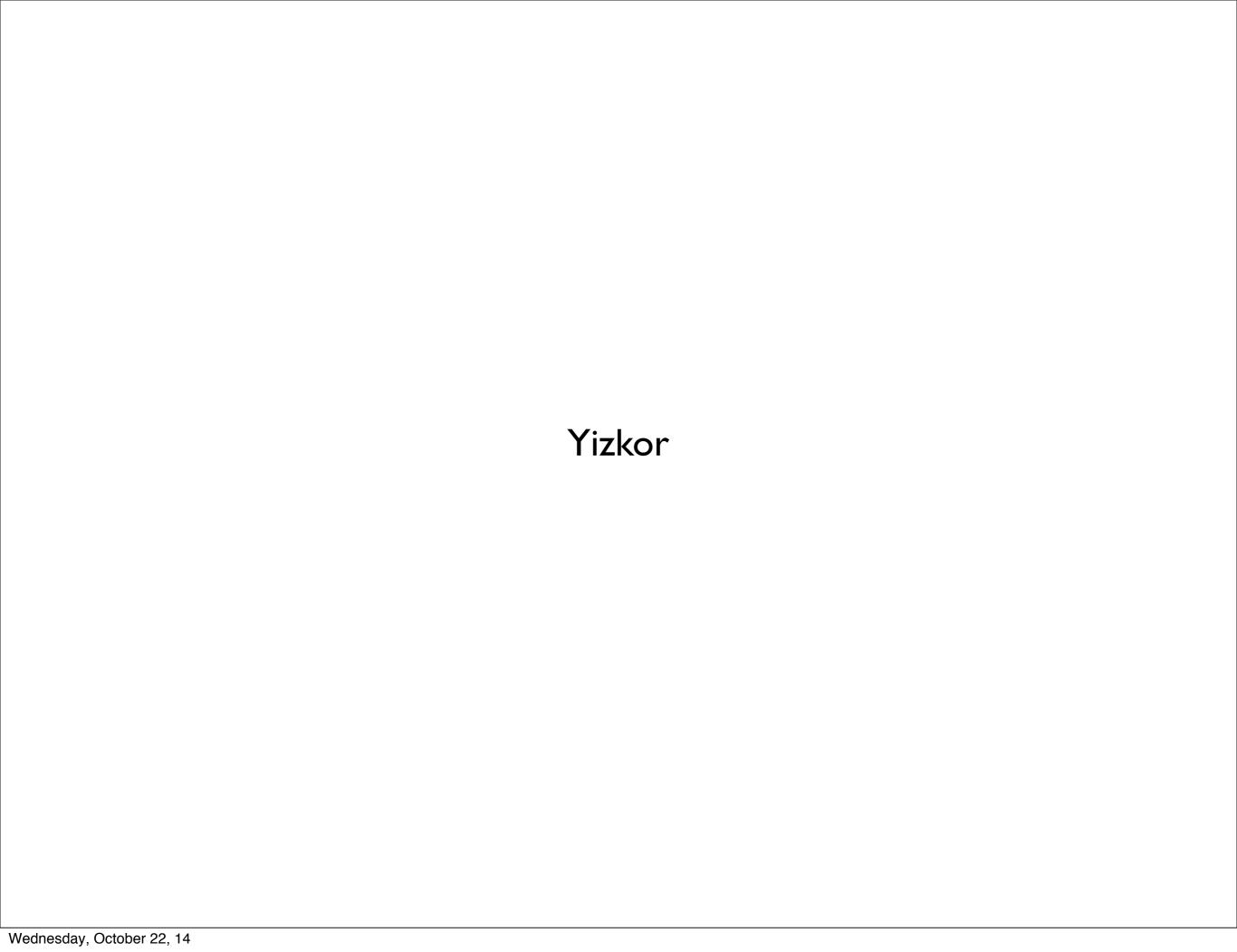
Prayer for the State of Israel

Rock and Champion of Israel, please bless the State of Israel. Guard it in the abundance of Your love. Spread over it the shelter of Your peace. Send forth Your light and truth to those who lead and judge it and to those who hold elective office. Establish in them, through Your presence, wise counsel that they might walk in the way of justice, freedom, and integrity. Strengthen the hands of those who guard our Holy Land.

And give peace to the Land and its Peoples. Plant in their hearts a love of Zion. Cause Your spirit's influence to emanate upon all dwellers of Israel. Plant in their hearts love and kinship, peace and friendship. And soon fulfill the vision of Your prophet: "Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall there be no way anymore." And let us say, Amen.

עץ חַיִּים הִיא...

Eitz Chayim Hi, Lamachazikim Bah, v'tomchecha m'ushar D'rache'hai Darkei No'am v'chol n'tivo'techa Shalom Ha'she-venu Adonoy Eh'lecha v'nashuvah Hadesh, Hadesh Ya'menu Hadesh Ya'menu K'Kedem



Each of Us Has a Name by Zelda

Each of us has a name given by God and given by our parents Each of us has a name given by our stature and our smile and given by what we wear Each of us has a name given by the mountains and given by our walls Each of us has a name given by the stars and given by our neighbors Each of us has a name given by our sins and given by our longing Each of us has a name given by our enemies and given by our love Each of us has a name given by our celebrations and given by our work Each of us has a name given by the seasons and given by our blindness Each of us has a name given by the sea and given by our death.

Psalm 23

A Psalm of David. THE ETERNAL is my shepherd I shall never be in need. Amid the choicest grasses does God set me down. God leads me by the calmest waters, and restores my soul. God takes me along paths of righteousness, in keeping with the honor of God's name. Though I walk through the valley of the shadows of death, I will fear no evil. You are with me, God. Your power and support are there to comfort me. You set in front of me a table in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup is overflowing. Surely, good and loving-kindness will pursue me all the days of my life, and I shall come to dwell inside the house of THE ETERNAL for a length of days.

נֵר יְהֹנָה נִשְׁמַת אָדָם

The Spirit of Man is the Flame of God

Proverbs 20:27



Mourner's Kaddish

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא. בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִּרְעוּתֵהּ, וְיֵמְלִידְּ מַלְכוּתֵהּ בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְבָל בִּית יִשְׂרָאֵל. בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִּזְמֵן קָרִיב וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן: יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַדְּ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמֵיּא: יִתְבָּרַדְּ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח, וְיִתְכִּשְׁה וְיִתְנִשֵּׁא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקַדְשָׁא בְּרִידְ הוּא לְעֵלָּא וּלְעֵלָּא מִכָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תַּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֱמָתָא, דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעַלְמָא, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן: יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן: עשֵׁה שָׁלוֹם בִּמִרוֹמִיו הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן:

> Yitgadal veyitkadash shemey raba be'alma di vera hirutey veyamlich malhutey behayeyhon uvyomehon vuhayey dehol beyt yisrael ba'agal uvizman kariv ve'imru amen.

Yehey shemey raba mevarah le'alm ulalmey almaya.

Yitbarah veyishtabah veyitpaar veyitromam veyitnasey veyit-hadar veyitaleh veyit-halal shemey dekudhsa berih-hu le'ela le'ela mikol birhata veshirata tushbehata venehemata da'amiran be'alma ve'imru amen.

Yehey shelama raba min shemaya vehayim alenu ve'al kol yisrael ve'imru amen. Oseh Shalom bimormav hu ya'aseh shalom aleynu ve'al kol yisrael ve'al kol yoshvey tevel ve'imru amen.

Aleinu

עָלֵינוּ לְשַׁבֵּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכּּל, לָתֵת גְּדָלָה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית, שֶׁלֵּא עָשְׂנוּ כְּגוֹיֵי הָאֲרָצוֹת, וְלֹא שָׁמֵנוּ כְּמִשְׁפְּחוֹת שֶׁלֵא עָשְׂנוּ כְּגוֹיֵי הָאֲרָצוֹת, וְלֹא שָׁמֵנוּ כְּכָל הֲמוֹנָם הָאֲדְמָה, שֶׁלֹא שָׁם חֶלְקֵנוּ כָּהֶם, וְגֹרָלֵנוּ כְּכָל הֲמוֹנָם הָאֲלֹא שָׁם חֶלְקֵנוּ כָּהֶבֶל וָרִיק וּמִתְפַּלְלִים אֶל אֵל לֹא (שֶׁהֵם מִשְׁתַּחָוִים וּמוֹדִים, לִפְנִי מֶלֶדְ, יוֹשְׁיעַ) וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחָוִים וּמוֹדִים, לִפְנִי מֶלֶדְ, מִּלְבִים, הַמְּלְכִים, הַקְּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּדְ הוּא

ּוְנֶאֲמַר, וְהָיָה יִיָ לְמֶלֶדְּ עַל כָּל הָאָרֶץ, בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא יִהְיֶה יִיָ אֶחָד, וּשְמוֹ אֶחָד:

"Dancing In The Dark"

I get up in the evening and I ain't got nothing to say I come home in the morning I go to bed feeling the same way I ain't nothing but tired Man I'm just tired and bored with myself Hey there baby, I could use just a little help

You can't start a fire
You can't start a fire without a spark
This gun's for hire
even if we're just dancing in the dark

Message keeps getting clearer radio's on and I'm moving 'round the place I check my look in the mirror I wanna change my clothes, my hair, my face Man I ain't getting nowhere I'm just living in a dump like this There's something happening somewhere baby I just know that there is

You can't start a fire you can't start a fire without a spark
This gun's for hire even if we're just dancing in the dark

You sit around getting older there's a joke here somewhere and it's on me I'll shake this world off my shoulders come on baby this laugh's on me

Stay on the streets of this town and they'll be carving you up alright
They say you gotta stay hungry hey baby I'm just about starving tonight
I'm dying for some action
I'm sick of sitting 'round here trying to write this book
I need a love reaction
come on now baby gimme just one look

You can't start a fire sitting 'round crying over a broken heart
This gun's for hire
Even if we're just dancing in the dark
You can't start a fire worrying about your little world falling apart
This gun's for hire
Even if we're just dancing in thedark
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