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# SELIHOT / סליתות

Master of the Universe! I herewith forgive anyone who may have irritated, angered or injured me, whether acting against my person, my possessions, or my reputation. Let no man be punished on my account, whether the wrong done me was accidental or malicious, unwitting or purposeful, by word or by deed. May it be Your will, O Lord my God and God of my fathers, that I not repeat the wrongs I have committed, and that I sin no more. May I never again anger You by doing that which is evil in Your sight. I pray that You will wipe away my sins, not through sickness and suffering but with great mercy. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.

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The Selihot Service consists of prayers and hymns recited on fast days and during the penitential days preceding Rosh Hashanah and ending on Yom Kippur. Already in Talmudic times the name and the central theme of these prayers were well known, and portions of the present day Selihot had become part of the liturgy of the Synagogue.

The earliest printed edition of the Selihot, published in the fifteenth century, has, with but minor revisions, remained the accepted version to this day. A wide range of penitential prayers were written during later centuries for special occasions and for particular communities, but these were rarely included in the standard texts.

The Selihot, recited generation after generation, became the familiar heritage of all Jews. These prayers were often recited with little consciousness of the text but always with full and painful awareness of personal needs and with a very real sense of standing in the Presence of God. Any change in the liturgy would have been justly resented as detracting from worship while focusing attention on the form of the ritual and on those conducting the service.

However, radical changes in all life and violent disruptions in the pattern of Jewish life and thought have made these ancient prayers remote from and alien to the majority of people in contemporary congregations. For centuries neither the theology nor the language of the *Selihot* was questioned. Today both are usually foreign and often irrelevant to most Jews. This is one of the reasons why the *Selihot* services either have completely disappeared from many synagogues or have been surrendered to professional staffs. Too many of these who now attend these services do not come as a congregation to share in worship but as an audience to see and hear a performance.

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May this edition of the Selihot stimulate wider participation in this service and a deeper appreciation of the spiritual riches in a ritual desperately needed in our day even as it exalted our ancestors through so many generations.

> Gershon Hadas, Chairman The Prayer Book Committee

Elul 5724 August 1964 Kansas City, Missouri The essence of the ancient Selihot is still vital for our generation, no matter how far removed they may be from us in age, in language, or in doctrine. If we could learn to understand the poetry, the literary mosaics, and the mood of the Selihot, we would recognize in them the outpourings of our own souls, the hungers of our own spirits.

This new edition of the Selihot was prepared in answer to the need for a text more readily and more fully meaningful to our people today, but its editor sought also to avoid making it "up-to-date" lest it soon become dated. The deletions and the additions, the new poems, the special readings, and the new translations in this version do not disturb the central theme or the general structure of the traditional text. This version was prepared in an effort to help bring worshipers to the self-purification that is the goal of penitence.

The Chairman and the members of the Prayer Book Committee publishing this Selihot Service are fully conscious of their failure to attain the goal set for them by the Rabbinical Assembly. The Committee and the members of the Assembly sincerely hope that this effort will encourage creative writers to provide hymns, prayers, readings and meditations for inclusion into our liturgy and endow our synagogue services with meaning for a world so far removed from the days of the authors of the traditional liturgy.

The Prayer Book Committee in charge of this publication includes Rabbis David Feldman, Ben Zion Gold, Immanuel Lubliner and Stanley Schachter, with Rabbi Jules Harlow as Secretary and Rabbi Gershon Hadas as Chairman.

The Chairman is grateful for the criticism and suggestions of many colleagues, and especially wishes to acknowledge the contributions of Rabbis

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שִׁיר הַמַּצְלוֹת. מִמַּצְמַקּים קְּרָאתִיךּ יְיָ. אֲדֹנָי שִׁמְעָה בְּקוֹלִי, תִּהְיֶינָה אָוְנֶיךּ קַשְׁבוֹת לְקוֹל תַּחֲנוּנְי. אָם עֲוֹנוֹת תִּשְׁמָר יָה אֲדֹנִי מִי יַעֲמֹד. כִּי עִמְּךּ הַסְּלִיחָה לְמַעַן תִּנָרִא.

קּנְיתִי יָיָ קּנְּתָה גַפְּשִׁי וְלִדְבָרוֹ הוֹחֶלְתִּי. גַפְשִׁי לַאדֹנְי מִשֹּמְרִים לַבְּּצֶר שֹׁמְרִים לַבְּצֶר. יַחֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל אֶל יִיָ כִּי עִם יְיָ הַחֶּסֶד וְהַרְבֵּה עִמּוֹ פְדוּת. וְהוֹא יִפְּדֶּה אֶת יִשְׂרָאֵל מִכֹּל עֲוֹנוֹתָיו.

### **OUT OF THE DEPTHS**

Out of the depths I call to You; Lord, hear my cry, heed my plea.

> Be attentive to my prayers, To my sigh of supplication.

Who could endure, Lord, If You kept count of every sin?

But forgiveness is Yours; Therefore we revere You.

I wait for the Lord; my soul yearns. Hopefully I await His word.

> I wait for the Lord More eagerly than watchmen wait for dawn.

Put your hope in the Lord, For the Lord is generous with mercy.

> Abundant is His power to redeem; May He redeem the people Israel from all sin.

MEDITATION

We are gathered together this night, embraced by the peace of this sanctuary, away from the clamor and glare of the world, away from its confusions and terrors, grateful for the opportunity to meditate upon the year that has gone, and to pray for the year to come.

We face not only a new year but a changing world, where new knowledge and continual upheavals threaten all life everywhere.

Our lives are burdened with failure and wrongdoing. Our hearts are torn by jealousies and hates. Prejudice confuses our thoughts, sin distorts our lives. We are ridden by fears, tormented by frustrations, by loneliness and by endless desires.

Too often straying like shepherdless sheep, we seek direction on our way.

### **INTRODUCTORY PRAYER**

Our God and God of our fathers, we pray that the light of Your Presence dispel the plague of darkness which threatens to overwhelm us.

May this service of penitence help us express the noblest yearnings of our souls, that we may meet the new year with the best of heart and mind with which You, O Lord, have endowed us.

We have come to offer our fervent plea for forgiveness, for the divine gift to recognize evil and for the will to overcome it. We pray for the ability to recognize what is good, and for the will to promote it. We seek the joy of attaining lives that are good in Your sight, O Lord.

Help us, O Lord, to bridge the gap between our conscience and our conduct, between what we believe and what we do. We plead for the assurance You so graciously gave to our fathers of old: "I will pardon, even as you ask." Amen.

Blessed are they who dwell in Your house; They shall praise You forever.

> Blessed the people who are so favored, Blessed the people whose God is the Lord.

> > A Psalm of David

I glorify You, my God, my King; I praise You throughout all time.

Every day do I praise You, Exalting Your glory forever.

Great is the Lord, and praiseworthy. His greatness exceeds definition.

One generation lauds Your works to another, Declaring Your mighty deeds.

They tell of Your wonders, And of Your glorious splendor.

They speak of Your greatness, And of Your awesome power.

They recall Your goodness, They sing of Your faithfulness.

Gracious and compassionate is the Lord, Patient, and abounding in love.

אַשְׁרֵי יוֹשְׁבֵּי בֵּיתֶּךּ, עוֹד יְהַלְּוּדְּ פֶּלָה. אַשְׁרֵי הָעָם שֶׁכְּכָה לּוֹ, אַשְׁרֵי הָעָם שֶׁיִי אֶלֹהָיו.

## אָהִלָּה לְדָוִד

אַרוֹמִמְּךּ אֵלֹתֵי הַמֶּלֶדְ וַאֲבָרְכָה שִׁמְךּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בְּכָל־יוֹם אֲבָרְכֶךְ וַאֲהַלְלָה שִׁמְדּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

> נָדוֹל יָיָ וּמְהָלָל מְאֹד וָלִגְדְלָתוֹ אָין חֵכֶּןר. דּוֹר לְדוֹר יְשֵׁבַּח מֵעֲשֶׂיךּ וּנְבוּרֹתֶיךּ יַנִּידוּ.

הַדַר כְּבוֹד הוֹדֶךּ וְדִבְרֵי נִפְּלְאֹתֶיףּ אָשְּׁיחָה. וָאֵָזוּז נוֹרְאֹתֶיףּ יֹאמֵרוּ וּגְדָלָתְרְּ אֲסֵפְּרֶנְּה.

> וְכֶר רַב טוּבְךּ יַבְּיעוּ וְצִדְקְתְּדּ יְרֵבְּנוּ. תַנּוּן וְרַתוּם יִיָּ, אֶרֶדּ אַפֵּיִם וּגְּדָל חֲסֶד.

To all the Lord is good; His compassion embraces all creatures.

> All of Your creatures shall praise You; The faithful shall repeatedly bless You.

They shall describe Your glorious kingdom, Declaring Your power;

And men will know of Your might, The splendor of Your dominion.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom; Your dominion endures for all generations.

The Lord supports all who stumble, He raises all who are bowed down.

All eyes look hopefully to You, To receive their food in due time.

You open Your hand, And all the living feast upon Your favor.

In all His paths the Lord is faithful, In all His deeds He is loving.

To all who call the Lord is near, To all who call upon Him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of those who revere Him: He hears their cry and delivers them.

All who love the Lord He preserves, But the wicked He destroys.

My mouth shall praise the Lord: Let all flesh praise Him throughout all time.

We shall praise the Lord now and always. Halleluyah!
Psalm 145

שוֹב יָיָ לַכַּל וְרַחֲמֶיו עַל כָּל־מֵעֲשֶׂיוּ. יוֹדוּה יָיָ כַּל־מַעֲשֶׂיהּ וַחֲסִידֶיהּ יְבְרְכְוּכְה.

כְבוֹד מַלְכוּתְדּ יֹאמֶרוּ וּגְבוּרָתְדּ יְדַבְּרוּ. לְהוֹדִיעַ לִבְנִי הָאָדָם גְּבוּרֹתִיו וּכְבוֹד הַדֵּר מֵלְכוּתוֹ.

מַלְכוּתָךּ מַלְכוּת כָּל־עֹלָמִים וּמֶמְשֵׁלְתָּדְּ בְּכְל־דּוֹר וְדֹר. סוֹמֵדְ יִיָ לְבָל-הַנִּפְּלִים וְזוֹמֵף לְכָל-הַכְּפוּפִים.

ציני כֹל אָלֶיךּ יְשַּׁבֶּרוּ וְאַתָּה גוֹתוּ לָהֶם אֶת־אָכְלָם בְּעִתּוֹ. פּוֹתִחַ אֶת־יָדֶךּ וּמַשְּׁבִּיעַ לְכָל־חֵי רָצוֹן.

> צַרִיק יָיָ בְּכָל־דְּרָבִיוֹ וְחָסִיד בְּכְל-מַצַשְּׁיוֹ. קרוֹב יָיָ לְכָל -לְּרָאָיוֹ, לְכֹל אֲשֶׁר יִקְרָאָהוֹ בֶאָמֶת.

רְצוֹן יְרָאָיו יַצְשָּׁה וְאָת – שֵׁוְעָתֶם יִשְׁמֵע וְיוֹשִׁיעֵם. שׁוֹמֵר יִיָ אֶת-כָּל-אֹהַבְיו, וְאֵת כָּל -הְרְשָׁעִים יַשְׁמִיד.

> תְּהָלֵת יְיָ יְדַבֶּר - פִּי וִיבְנֵר כָּל - בְּשָׁר שֵׁם קְדְשׁוֹ לְעוֹלָם וְעֶד. וַאֲנַחְנוּ וָבְרֵר יָה מֵעַתָּה וְעֵד עוֹלָם. הַלְלוּיָה.

### HATZI KADDISH

Hallowed and enhanced may He be Throughout the world of His own creation. May He cause His sovereignty soon to be accepted, During our life and the life of all Israel. And let us say: Amen.

Ye-hei shmei raba meva-rakh l'alam ul'almei 'almaya. May He be praised throughout all time.

Glorified and celebrated, lauded and praised, Acclaimed and honored, extolled and exalted May the Holy One be, Far beyond all song and psalm, Beyond all tributes which man can utter. And let us say: Amen.

### **RIGHTEOUSNESS IS YOURS**

Righteousness is Yours, O Lord; Shame-faced embarrassment ours.

What can we say to You? How can we word our defense?

We shall examine our ways, probe our deeds, And return to You, for You welcome the penitent.

We possess neither good deeds nor virtue; We come as paupers to knock at Your door.

We knock at Your door, merciful God; Please do not turn us away empty-handed.

Turn us not away unanswered, O Lord, For You, O King, do listen to prayer.

יִתְצַּדֵּל וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֵה רַבָּא בְּעָלְמָא דִי בְּרָא כִרְעוּתָה וְיַמְלִיךְ מֵלְכוּתָה בְּחַיִּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן, וֹבְחַיֵּי דְכָל־בִּית יִשְּׂרָאֵל בַּצְצַנְלָא וּבִוְמַן קְרִיב, וְאָמָרוּ אָמֵן.

יָהָא שְׁמֵה רַבָּא מְבָרַך לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמֵיָא.

יִתְבָּרַךְ וִיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדֵּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלֵּל שְׁמֵה דְּקְדְשְׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא, לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל־בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תִּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנָחֲמָתָא, דַּאָמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

### לך יי הצדקה

ָכִי אַתָּה שׁוֹמֵעַ תִּפְלָּה.

לְּהְ יָיָ הַצְּדָקְה, וְלֶנוּ בְּשֶׁת הַפְּנִים. מַה נִּתְאוֹנֵן, מַה נֹאמֵר, מַה נְּדֵבֵּר וּמַה נִּצְטַדְּק. נַחְפְּשָׁה דְרָכֵינוּ וְנַחְלְּרָה, וְנְשִׁיּכָה אֵלֶיךּ, כִּי יְמִינְךְ פְשׁוּטָה לְלַבֵּל שָׁכִים. לֹא בְחֶסֶד וְלֹא בְמַצְשִׁים בָּאנוּ לְפְנֵיךּ. כְּדַלִים וּכְרָשִׁים דְּפַקְנוּ דְלָתֶיךּ. דְלָתֶיךְ דְּפַקְנוּ, רַחוּם וְחַנּוּן. נָא אֵל תִּשִׁיבֵנוּ רֵיקִם מִלְּפְנֵיךּ. מִלְּפְנֵיךּ, מַלְבֵנוּ, רֵיקִם אַל תִּשִׁיבֵנוּ,

All flesh shall come to worship You, O Lord who listens to prayer; all flesh shall come to You. They shall come to worship in Your Presence; they shall come to honor You, O Lord.

Let us bow in worship and bend the knee to the Lord our Maker. Through His great goodness we enter His house; with reverence we bow before His holy ark. Let us enter His sanctuary and worship at His throne. Let us enter His gates with thanksgiving and come into His courts with praise. Thank Him! Praise Him!

Let all the servants of the Lord gathered this night in the house of the Lord, praise the Lord. Lift your hands in prayer and praise Him. Exalt the Lord our God, worship at His throne, exalt Him on His holy mountain. Worship the Lord our God, for He is holy. Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. Let all the earth tremble before Him.

With reverence do we bow toward Your holy Temple. We give thanks for Your love and Your faithfulness. Your goodness exceeds all that You promised.

שֹׁמֵעַ תִּפִּלָּה, עֲדֶיףְ כָּל־בָּשֶׂר יָבוֹאוּ. יָבוֹא כָּל־בָּשְׂר יְהִשְׁתַּחֲוֹת לְפָנֶיף יִיָּ, יָבוֹאוּ וִיִשְׁתַחֲווּ לְפָנֶיף אֲדֹנָי, וִיכַבְּדוּ לִשְׁמֶךְ.

בְּאוּ נִשְּׁתַּחֲנֶה וְנִכְרֶעָה, נִבְּרָכָה לִפְנֵי יָיָ עוֹשֵׂנוּ. נְבְוֹאָה לְמִשְׁכְּנוֹתְיוּ, נְשְׁתַּחֲנֶה לַהְבֹּים רַגְּלָיוּ. בְּאוּ שְׁעָרָיוּ בְּתוֹדָה, חֲצֵרֹתְיוּ בִּתְהִלָּה. הְוֹדוּ לוֹ בְּרְכוּ שְׁמוֹ.

וַאַנְחְנוּ בְּרֹב חַסְדְּדְּ נָבוֹא בֵיתֶדְּ, נִשְׁתַּחֲנָה אֶל הֵיכַל קְדְשְׁדְּ בְּיִרְאָתֶדְּ. בְּיִרנוּ בְּרָבוּ הָתְרָיִ בְּלֹבעִרִי יִי, הְעֹמְדִים בְּבֵית יְיָ בַּלֵּילוֹת. שְׂאוּ יְדֵיכֶם בְּּרָבוּ אָת־יִיָּ, רוֹמְמוּ יִיָ אֶלֹהִינוּ, וְהִשְׁתַּחֲוּ לַהְדֹם רַגְּלְיוּ, קְדוֹשׁ הְּוּא. רוֹמְמוּ יִיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, וְהִשְׁתַחְוּ לְהַר קְדְשׁוֹ, כִּי קְדוֹשׁ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. הִשְּׁתַחְוּוּ לְהַר קְדְשׁוֹ, כִּי קְדוֹשׁ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. הִשְׁתַחְוּוּ לַיָּר בְּקְדְשׁוֹ, כִּי קְדוֹשׁ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ. הִשְׁתַחְוּוּ לֵיָי בְּהַדְרֵת לְּדֶשׁ, חִילוּ מִפְּנָיו כָּלְּ־הָאָרֵץ.

נִשְׁתַּחָנֶה אֶל הֵיכַל קָדְשְׁךּ וְנוֹדֶה אֶת־שְׁמֶךּ עַל חַסְדְּדּ וְעַל אֲמִתֶּךּ, כִּי הִנְּדְלָתָ עַל כָּל־שִׁמְדּ אִמְרָתֶךּ.

Lord God of hosts, who is mighty as You? Who is faithful as You, O Lord God? Who in the heavens can rival the Lord? Who among the mighty can be likened to You? Great are You, performing wonders; You alone are God. Your compassion extends beyond the heavens; Your faithfulness reaches to the clouds. Great are You and worthy of praise; Your greatness is without limit.

There is none to compare with You, O Lord. Great are You, and great is Your might. Who is there, in heaven or on earth, to match the power of Your deeds? You are King over all the nations. Who would not revere You? No wisdom and no royalty can rival You, O Lord. Great are You, and great is Your might.

Yours is the arm of mighty power. Yours is the hand exalted in might. The day is Yours and the night is Yours; You created the moon and the sun. In Your hand are the depths of earth, and the heights of mountains as well.

Who can recount God's glory? Who can declare all His praise?

ּיָּדְ אֲלֹהֵי צְּבָאוֹת, מִי כָמְוֹדְּ חֲסִין יָה, וָאֲמוּנְתְּדְּ סְבִיבוֹתֶידְּ. כִּי מִי בַשְּׁחַק יַשְׁרֹדְ לַיִּי, יִדְמֶה לַיִּי בִּבְנֵי אֵלִים. כִּי נְדוֹל אַמְּה וְעוֹשֵׁה נִפְּלְאוֹת, אַמְה אֲלֹהִים לְבַדֶּךְ. כִּי נְדוֹל מֵעַל שְׁמֵיִם חַסְדֶּךְ, וְעַד שְׁחָקִים אַמְתָּדְ. נְדוֹל יִיָ וּמְהֻלָּל מְאֹד, וְלִנְּדָלָתוֹ אֵין חֵקֶר.

כִּי גָדוֹל יְיָ וּמְהֻלְּל מְאֹד, נוֹרָא הוּא עַל כְּל־אֲלֹהִים. כִּי אֵל גָּדוֹל יְיָ, וּמֶלֶךְ גָּדוֹל עַל כָּל־אֲלֹהִים. אֲשֶׁר מִי אֵל בַּשְּׁמַיִם וּבְאָרֶץ, אֲשֶׁר יִנְאָךְ מֶלֶךְ הַגּוֹיִם, כִּי לְּהְ יָאָתָה. יַנְשָׁה רְמֵעֲשֶׂיךְ וְכִּגְּכוּוֹלְתֶיךְ. מִי לֹא יִרְאַךְ מֶלֶךְ הַגּוֹיִם, כִּי לְךְּ יְאָתָה. כִּי בְּכְל־מַלְכוּתָם מֵאֵין כְּמְוֹךְ. מֵאֵין כְּמְוֹךְ יְיָ, כִּי בְּכְל־מַלְכוּתָם מֵאֵין כְּמְוֹךְ. מֵאֵין כְּמְוֹךְ יְיָ, בִּרֹל־מַלְכוּתָם מֵאֵין כְּמְוֹךְ. מֵאֵין כְּמְוֹךְ יְיָ, נְדוֹל שִׁמְךְ בִּנְבוּרָה.

לְּךְּ וְרְוֹעַ עִם גְּבוּרָה, תָּעֹז יָדְדְּ תְּרוּם יְמִינֶדְּ, לְדְּ יוֹם, אַף לְדְּ לֵּיְלָה, אַתָּה הַבִינְוֹתְ מָאוֹר וָשֶׁמֶשׁ. אֲשֶׁר בְּיָדוֹ מֶחְלְּרֵי אָרֶץ, וְתוֹעֲפוֹת הָרִים לּוֹ.

מִי יְמַלֵּל גְּבוּרוֹת יִיָ, יַשְׁמִיעַ כָּל־תְּהַלְּתוֹ.

Yours, O Lord, are greatness and power and glory. Yours are triumph and majesty over all heaven and earth. You are the Ruler, supreme over all. The heavens and earth are Yours; You laid the foundation of the world. You determined the bounds of the earth, You fashioned summer and winter.

You split the sea with Your might; You shattered the heads of its monsters. You crushed the heads of the leviathan, leaving it as prey for scavengers of the desert. You opened springs and streams, and made mighty rivers run dry. You rule the raging sea, You quiet tumultuous waves.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise, in the city of our God, on His holy mountain. Lord, God of Israel, enthroned upon cherubim, You alone are God. God is revered in the councils of the holy; He inspires all about Him with awe. The heavens shall praise Your wonders, O Lord; the assembly of the holy shall extol Your faithfulness.

לְּדְּ יְיָ הַגְּּדָלָה וְהַגְּבוּרָה, וְהַתִּפְאֶרֶת וְהַנְּצֵח וְהַהוֹד, כִּי כֹל בַּשְּׁמִים וּבְּאָרֶץ. לְדְּ יִיְ הַמַּמְלָכָה, וְהַמִּתְנַשֵּׂא לְכֹל לְרֹאשׁ. לְדְּ שְׁמִיִם, אַף לְדְּ אֶרֶץ, תִּבֵל וּמְלוֹאָה אַתָּה יְסַדְתְּם. אַתְּה הִצְּבְתְּ כְּל־נְּבוּלוֹת אָרֶץ, קִיִּרְן, תִּבֵל וּמְלוֹאָה אַתָּה יְפַדְתְּם. אַתְּה הִצְּבְתְּ כְּל־נְּבוּלוֹת אָרֶץ, קִיִּרְן, אַתָּה יְצַרְתָּם.

אַתָּה פּוֹרָרָתָּ בְּעִּזְּהְ יָם, שִׁבְּרָתְּ רָאשִׁי תַנִּינִים עַל הַמְּיָם. אַתָּה רִצְּיִּהְּתְּ רָאשִׁי לִוְיָתְן, תִּתְּנְגוּ מַאֲכָל לְעַם לְצִיִּים. אַתָּה בְּקְעְתְּ מִעְיָן וְנְחַל, אַתָּה הוֹבְשְׁתְּ נַּהְברוֹת אֵיתְן. אַתָּה מוֹשֵׁל בְּגאוֹת הַיָּם, בְּשׁוֹא גַלְיוּ אַתָּה תְשַׁבְּחֵם.

נְּדוֹל יְיָ וֹמְהָלָל מְאֹד, בְּעִיר אֱלֹהֵינוּ הַר לְדְשׁוֹ. יְיֶ אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל, יוֹשֵׁב הַכְּּרָבִים, אַתָּה הוּא הָאֱלֹהִים לְבַדֶּךּ. אֵל נַעֲרָץ בְּסוֹד קְדוֹשִׁים רַבָּה וְנוֹרָא עַל כָּל־סְבִיבִיוּ. וְיוֹדוּ שְׁמֵיִם פִּלְאַךּ יְיָ, אַף אֱמוּנְתְּךּ בִּקְתַּל רָבָּה וְנוֹרָא עַל כָּל־סְבִיבִיוּ. וְיוֹדוּ שְׁמֵיִם פִּלְאַךּ יְיָ, אַף אֱמוּנְתְךּ בִּקְתַּל לְבִרְים.

לכו נרננה

Come, let us sing to the Lord, Acclaim the Rock of our salvation.

> Let us approach Him with thanksgiving. Let us acclaim Him with joyous psalms.

Righteousness and justice sustain His throne. Love and truth are His constant attendants.

> Come, let us join in fellowship, Let us throng to the house of God.

The sea is His, for He made it; His hands fashioned the dry land.

> The soul of all life is in His hand, The spirit of all human flesh.

### THE SOUL IS YOURS

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The soul is Yours, the body is Your creation. Lord, have compassion upon Your handiwork. The soul is Yours, the body is Yours. Deal with us according to Your name.

We come before You relying on Your name. According to Your glorious name, help us. Your name is "gracious, compassionate God." Forgive, then, our sin, though it is great.

> Forgive us, our Father! With great folly have we gone astray. Pardon us, our King! Our sins have overwhelmed us.

ּלְכוּ נְרַנְנָה לַיִי, נְרִיעָה לְצוּר יִשְּׁעֵנוּ. ּנְקַדְמָה פָנָיוֹ בְּתוֹדָה, בִּוְמִירוֹת נָרֵיעַ לוֹ.

אָדֶק וּמִשְׁפָּט מְכוֹן כִּסְאֶךּ, חֶסֶד וָאֲמֶת יְקַדְּמוּ פָנֵידּ. אָשֶׁר יַחְדָּו נַמְתִּיק סוֹד, בְּבֵית אֱלֹהִים נְהַלֵּדְ בְּרֵגִשׁ.

ּאֲשֶׁר לוֹ הַיָּם וְהוּא עֲשָׂהוּ, וְיַבֶּשֶׁת יָדְיו יָצְרוּ. אָשֶׁר בְּיָדוֹ נֶפֶשׁ כָּלֹד חָי, וְרְוּחַ כָּלֹדבִשֵּׁר אִישׁ.

הנשמה לך

ַהַנְּשָׁמָה לָך וְהַגּוּף פָּנְצְלָך. חְוּסָה עֵל עֲמָלָר. ַהַנְּשְׁמָה לָךְ וָהַגּוּף שֶׁלָּךְ. יָיָ, עֲשֵׂה לְמַעֵן שָׁמֶךְ.

אָתָאנוּ עַל שִׁמְדּ יִיָּ, עֲשֵׁה לְמַעַן שְׁמֶדּ. בַּצָבוּר כְּבוֹד שָׁמְדּ, כִּי אֵל חַנּוּן וְרַחוּם שְׁמֶּדְ. לָמַעַן שִׁמְךּ יִיָּ, וְסָלַחָתָּ לַעֲוֹנֵנוּ כִּי רַב הוּא.

ּסְלַח לָנוּ אָבְינוּ, כִּי בְּרֹב אַוַּלְתֵּגוּ שָׁגִינוּ. ּמְחַל לָנוּ מַלְבֵּנוּ, כִּי רַבּוּ אֲוֹנֵינוּ. Father, great and holy Father of all mankind, You create Your child the world every instant.

If for an instant You withdrew The gift of Your creation, Emptiness would replace it.

But You shower Your children With blessing every moment.

Once again the morning stars appear, Singing a song of love to You,

Once again the sun bursts forth, Singing a song of light to You.

Once again angels sing of holiness to You, Once again souls sing of yearning to You,

And once again grass sings of longing to You.

Once again birds sing a song of joy to You, Once again orphaned nestlings sing of loneliness to You

And once again a brook whispers its prayer.

Once again the afflicted pours out his complaint to You, Once again his soul-prayer splits Your heavens,

Once again he trembles in awe of Your glory And once again he hopefully awaits You.

One ray of Your light and I am immersed in light, One word from You and I am reborn.

One hint of Your eternal Presence And I am refreshed with the dew of youth.

For You create everything anew. Father, please, create me, Your child, anew.

Breathe into me of Your spirit That I may begin a new life. אָב נְּדוֹל וְקָדוֹשׁ, אֲבִי כָּל־בָּאֵי עוֹלָם: אַתָּה בּוֹרֵא אָת־עוֹלְמְּה בִּנְּה, בְּנֶיךּ בְּכָל־מְעוּף עְיִן אָם כְּהָרֶף עִיִן תָּסִיר אָת־חֶסֶד יִצִירָתְּה וְהָיָה הַכֹּל אַיִן וָאָפֶס. אָבָל אַתָּה מֵרִיל עַל יְצִירֶיף־בָּנֶיף צִנּוֹרֵי בְרָכָה בְּכָל־רֶגֵע וְרָגַע.

> וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יוֹפִיעוּ כְּוֹכְבִי שְׁחַר וְשִׁרוּ שִׁירַת אַהַבָּה לְפָגֵיף וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יִאֵא שֶׁמֶשׁ בִּגְבוּרָתוֹ וְשָׁר שִׁירַת אוֹר לְפָגֵיף וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יְשִׁירוּ מֵלְאָכִים שִׁירַת צִמְאוֹן לְפָגֵיף וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יְשִׁירוּ עִשְׂבִי שְׂיֶדה שִׁירַת גַּעֲגוּעִים לְפָגֵיף וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יְשִׁירוּ עִשְׂבִי שְׂיָדה שִׁירַת גִּיל לְפָגֵיף וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יְשִׁירוּ אֶפְרוֹחִים עֲזוּבִים שִׁירַת וְתוֹמִים לְפָגֵיף וְעוֹד הַפְּעֵם יִלְּחַשׁ מַעְּיָן אֶת-הְפִּלְּתוֹי.

וְעוֹד הַפַּעַם יַצְטוֹף עָנִי וְשְׁפַּךְ אֶת־שִׁיחוֹ לְפָנֶיךְּ וְעוֹד הַפַּעַם נִשְּׁמְתוֹ־תְפִּלֶּתוֹ בּוֹקְעַת וְקּיעֶדְּ־שְׁחָקֶרְּ בַּצְלוֹתָה לְפָנֵיךְ וְעוֹד הַפַּעַם פְּרוֹר יִתְפּוֹרֵר גֵּווֹ מֵאֵימַת כְּבוֹדֶךְ וְעוֹד הַפַּעַם עֵינוֹ נְשׂוּאָה אֵלֶיךְ.

רַק קְּנִיּצְה אָחָד מָחַיֵּי נִצְּחֲךּ וְהָיְיתִי חֲדוּר אוֹרָה. רַק קְּבָּר אֶחָד מִדְּבָרֶיךּ וְקִמְיִי לְחְחִיָּה. רַק תְּנִיּצְה אַחַת מִחַיֵּי נִצְּחֲךּ וְהָיְיתִי רְווִי טֵל יַלְדוּת.

וְהַלֹּא אַתְּה בּוֹרֵא הַכֹּל־מֶחָדָשׁ, בְּרָא נָא אָבִי אוֹתִי, וַלְּדְּהּ, מִחְדְשׁ. נְשׁוֹם בִּי מִנִּשְׁמֵת אַפָּּה וְחָיְיתִי חַיִּים חֲדָשִׁים, חַיֵּי יַלְרוּת חֲדָשָׁה. How can we open our mouth before You, dwelling on high? How shall we pour forth our prayers? We have rejected Your just and righteous ways; we have clung to abominations and infamous deeds. We have clung to vain delusions; we have been obstinate and insolent.

Our deeds provoked Your burning wrath; our sacred shrine became desolate. The daily offerings of fragrant incense could no longer be brought to the sanctuary. Priests, trained and anointed for preparing sacrifices, were exiled.

How often did Your prophets admonish us! Yet we refused to heed their warnings. Thus through the ages we have endured exile and suffering, homelessness, tyranny and slaughter. We are tiny remnants lying among thorns. Our hope is dim; there is no relief.

Why do they prosper, both early and late, who worship Baal and oppress Your people? They rise against You, asking us their blasphemous question: In whom do you trust?

Holy and eternal God! Behold our plight! You are our strength; upon You we rely. May Your awesome might save us. Upon Your compassion do we depend.

אָיךְ נִפְתַח פֶּה לְפָנֶיךּ, דֵּר מְתוּחִים. בְּאֵלּוּ פְנִים נִשְׁפּׁךְ שִׁיחִים. בְּאֵלּוּ כְּנִים נִשְׁפּׁךְ שִׁיחִים. בְּלֵנִי נְתִיבוֹתֶיךְ הַיְשְׁרִים וְהַנְּכֹחִים. דְּבַקְנוּ בְתוֹעֵבוֹת וּבְמֵעֲשִׁים וְנִיּחִים. הְלַכְנוּ אַחֲרֵי מֵשְּׁאוֹת שְׁוֹא וּמֵדּוּחִים. וְהִקְשִׁינוּ עְׂרֶךְיּ וְהַעְּוֹנוּ מְצְחִים. וְהִקְשִׁינוּ עְׂרֶרְיּ וְהַצְּוְנוּ מְצְחִים.

זָעַמְתָּ בְּשֶׁלֶנוּ, בֵּית־מִשְׁכְּנוֹת מִבְטַחִים. חָרֵב וָפַס רֵיחַ נִיחוֹחִים. טֹרָדוּ וְטֻלְטְלוּ כֹּהַנִים הַמְּשׁוּחִים, יוֹדְעֵי עֵרֶךְ עוֹלוֹת וּזְבָחִים.

כַּמֶּה יִפַּרְתָּנוּ עַל יְדֵי צִירִים שְׁלוּחִים, לֹא הָקְשַׁבְנוּ לְמוֹרִים כַּמֶּה יִפַּרְתָּנוּ עַל יְדֵי צִירִים שְׁלוּחִים, נְהָּרְנִים נִשְׁחְטִים וֹמוֹכִיחִים. מֵאָז וְעַד עַתָּה אָנוּ נִדְּחִים, נֵהְרָנִים נִשְׁחְטִים וְנִטְבְּחִים. שֹׁרְדְנוּ מְתִי מְעַט בֵּין קוֹצִים כְּסוּחִים, עֵינִינוּ כְלוֹת לִמְצֹא רְנְחִים.

פּוֹרְכֵי עַמְּךּ אֲשֶׁר לְבֵל שׁוֹחֲחִים. צֶפֶר וָעֶבֶרב הוֹלְכִים וּמֵצְלִיחִים. לָמִים לְמוּלְךּ וְנֶאָצוֹת שׁוֹחֲחִים. רְצוּצִים, בַּמֶּה וַמַצְלִיחִים. לְמוּלְךּ וְנֶאָצוֹת שׁוֹחֲחִים. רְצוּצִים, בַּמֶּה אַתֶּם בּוֹטְחִים.

שוֹכֵן עַד וְקָדוֹשׁ, צְפֵה בְּעֶלְבּוֹן אֲנוּחִים. תְּמוּכִים עָלֶיךְ וּבְךְּ מִתְאַחִים. בְּנוֹרְאוֹת יְמִינְךּ נִנְשַׁע לְנְצָחִים. כִּי עַל רַחֲמֶיךְּ הָרַבִּים אָנוּ בִטוּחִים. Upon Your compassion do we depend, Upon Your righteousness do we lean.

For Your forgiveness do we hope, For Your saving power do we wait.

You are the Lord and King, Loving righteousness eternally.

You forgive the sins of Your people, The sins of those who revere You.

You made a covenant with our ancestors; Pray keep Your oath with their children.

On Sinai, amidst a cloud of glory, You spoke to Moses, Your servant.

You showed him Your ways of goodness, You revealed to him Your lovingkindness.

You made known to him Your grace and mercy, Your patience, love and abounding goodness.

You guide all the concerns of the world With compassion, even as it is written:

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"I will display all My goodness before you, And proclaim the name Lord before you.

"I will be gracious and show compassion According to My will."

נִשְׁצָנִים, וְלַסְלִיחוֹתֶיךּ אָנוּ מְקוּים וְלִישׁוּצְתְךּ אָנוּ מְצַפִּים. נִשְׁצָנִים, וְלַסְלִיחוֹתֶיךּ אָנוּ מְקוּים וְלִישׁוּצְתְךּ אָנוּ מְצַפִּים.

אַתָּה הוּא יָרָ מֶלֶךְּ אוֹהֵב צְּדָקוֹת מִקְּדֶם, מַעֲבִיר עֲוֹנוֹת עַמּוֹ וּמֵסִיר חַטֹּאת יְרֵאְיוֹ, כּוֹרֵת בְּרִית לָרָאשׁוֹנִים, וּמְקַיֵּם שְׁבוּעָה לָאַחַרוֹנִים.

אַתָּה הוּא שֶׁיֶּרְדְתָּ בַּצְנַן כְּבוֹיְדְה עַל הֵר סִינֵי, וְהָרְאֵיתָ דַּרְכֵי טוּבְדְּ לְמשֶׁה עַבְדֶּדְּה.

אָרְחוֹת חֲסָבֶּיךּ גִּלְיתָ לוֹ, וְהוֹדַשְתוֹ כִּי אַתְּה אֵל רַחוּם וְחַנּוּן, אֶרֶךְ אַפַּיִם וְרֵב חֶסֶר, וּמַרְבֶּה לְהֵיטִיב וּמַנְהִיג אֶת-כְּל-הָעוֹלְם כָּלוֹ בְּמִדַּת הָרַחַמִים.

וְכֵן כָּתוּב: וַיְּאמֶר, אֲנִי אַעֲבִיר כָּל־טוּבִי עַל פָּנֶיף, וְלָּבֶרְאתִי בְשֵׁם יְיָ לְפָנֶיף. וְחַנִּתִי אָת־אֲשֶׁר אֲחֹן, וְרַחַמְתִּי אָת־אֲשֶׁר אֲרַחִם. Most patient God, Master of mercy, You have shown us the path of repentance. This day and every day embrace with lovingkindness. The descendants of Your beloved people.

We seek Your Presence in supplication. Meet us with mercy, Master of mercy. We come before You in prayer. Turn away wrath; shelter us, protect us.

Forgive transgression, blot out sin,
As on the day when You answered Moses
Who sought to understand You.
Heed now our cry as on the day of Your revelation
When You proclaimed to Moses:

"The Lord, the Lord God is gracious and compassionate, Patient, abounding in kindness and faithfulness, Assuring love for a thousand generations, forgiving iniquity, Transgression and sin, and granting pardon."

Then Moses prayed: "Pardon our iniquity
And our sin; claim us for Your own."
Forgive us, our Father, for we have sinned.
Pardon us, our King, for we have transgressed.
You, O Lord, are generous and forgiving.
Great is Your love for all who call to You.

יְדִינֶרהַ. תַּפֶּן אֵלֵינוּ בְּרַחֲמִים, כִּי אַתָּה הוּא בַּעַל הָרַחַמִים. הוֹנִיתָ. נְּדָלַת רַחֲמֶיךּ וַחֲסֶדִיךּ תִּוֹכִי הִיּוֹם וּבְּכְל־יוֹם לְּוָרַע אַל אֶרֶדּ אַפַּיִם אָתָּה וּבַעל הָרַחַמִים. כִּי אַתָּה הוּא בַּעַל הָרַחַמִים.

בְּתַּוְתֵנוּן וּבִתְּפָלָה פָּגֶיף נְקֻדָּם, כְּהוֹדְעְתְּ לֶעְנָוּ מְקֶנֶדם, מֵחֲרוֹן אֲפָּף שׁוּב, כְּמוֹ בְּתוֹרָתְף כְּתוּב, וּבְצֵל כְּנְפֶיף נָחֶסֶה וְנִתְלוֹנְן, כְּיוֹם וַיְּנֶדְ יִיְ בָּעְנָן. תַּעְבֹר עַל פָּשַׁע וְתִמְחֶה אָשָׁם, כְּיוֹם וַיִּתְרֹב עִמוֹ שָׁם. תַּאֲזִין שִׁוְעָתֵנוּ וְתַקְשִׁיב מֶנוּ מַאֲמָר, כְּיוֹם וַיִּקְרָא: יְיָשָם נָאָמֵר: וַיִּעֲבֹר יִיְ עַל פָּנְיוֹ וַיִּקְרָא:

נְצֵר חֶפֶּד לָאֲלָפִים נְשֵׂא עְוֹן נְפֶשׁע וְחַפְּאָה, וְנַקְּה.

וְסָלַחְתְּ לַצִּוֹנְנִיּ וּלְחַשְּׁאתֵנוּ וּנְחַלְּתְנוּ. סְלַח לְנוּ אָבְינוּ כִּי חָשֶׁאנוּ. מְחַל לְנוּ מַלְכֵנוּ כִּי פְשָׁעְנוּ. כִּי אַתְּה, יָיָ, טוֹב וְסַלָּח וְרֵב חֶסֶד לְכָל–קוֹרְאֶיךּ.

In the morning hear our prayers, O Lord; hopefully we set them before You at dawn. We enter Your shrine to lift our hands in prayer; hear our supplications when we plead before You. Turn to us, O God of deliverance; be not indignant with us. There is no one to plead on our behalf, no one to stir us to hold fast to You. Hear our prayers; heed our cries, O Lord. Let not our tears remain unanswered.

Tender as a father with his children Be tender with us, O Lord of deliverance. Grant blessings to Your people.

- O Lord of hosts, be with us;
- O God of Jacob, be our stronghold.
- Blessed is the person who trusts in You.
- O Lord of hosts, come to our help;
- O King, answer the prayer we utter.

יְיָ, בְּקֶר תִּשְׁמֵע קּוֹלֵנוּ, בְּקֶר נַעֲרָה לְהְ וּנְצַפֶּה. שְׁמַע קּוֹלְנוּ בְּשָׁוְעֵנוּ אֵלֶיף, בְּנְשְּׁאֵנוּ יִדְינוּ אֶל דְבִיר קְּדְשֶׁף. שְׁמַע יְיָ קּוֹלֵנוּ נִקְרָא, חָנְנוּ וַעֲנְנוּ וַעֲנְנוּ. שׁוּבֵנוּ אֲלֹהֵי יִשְׁעֵנוּ, וְהָפֵּר כַּעַסְךּ קּוֹלֵנוּ נִקְרָא, חָנְנוּ וַעֲנְנוּ. שׁוּבֵנוּ אֲלֹהִי יִשְׁעֵנוּ, וְהָפֵּר כַּעַסְךּ עְמְנוּ. אֵין קּוֹרָא בְשִׁמְךּ, מִתְעוֹרֵר לְהַחָוֹיִק בְּךְ. שִׁמְעָה עִמְנוּ יִי, וְשֵּׁוְעָתֵנוּ הַאָּזִינָה, אֶל דִּמְעָתֵנוּ אַל תָּחֲרָשׁ.

כְּרַחָם אָב עַל בָּנִים, כֵּן תְּרַחֵם יְיָ עָלֵינוּ. לַיָּי הַיְשׁוּעָה, עַל עַמְּךּ בִרְכָתֶךּ פֶּלָה. יִי צְבָאוֹת עִמְנוּ, מִשְׂנֵב לָנוּ אֶלֹהִי יַעֲלְב סֶלְה.

> ּיָרָ צְּבָאוֹת, אַשְּׁרֵי אָדָם בּּטִתַ כְּדְּ. יִיָּ הוֹשִיעָה, הַמֶּלֶךְ יַעֲנֵנוּ בְיוֹם לָּרָאֵנוּ.

Our God and King, enthroned upon compassion, rules with loving-kindness, forgives the transgressions of His people, and repeatedly pardons. He generously forgives sin, and deals mercifully with all mortals.

You have taught us, Lord, to recite the words which You proclaimed to Moses, declaring Your attributes of mercy. Remember in our favor Your covenant of compassion which You then revealed. Thus it is written in Your Torah: The Lord descended in a cloud and stood with him there and proclaimed the name Lord. The Lord passed before him and proclaimed:

"The Lord, the Lord God is gracious and compassionate, patient, abounding in kindness and faithfulness, assuring love for a thousand generations, forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin, and granting pardon."

Exodus 34:6-7

Then Moses prayed: "Pardon our iniquity and our sin; claim us for Your own."

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Forgive us, our Father, for we have sinned. Pardon us, our King, for we have transgressed. You, O Lord, are generous and forgiving. Great is Your love for all who call to You.

אָל מֶלֶךְ יוֹשֵׁב עַל כָּפָא רַחֲמִים, מִתְנַהֵּג בַּחֲסִידוּת, מוֹחֵל עֲבוֹת עֲמוֹ, מֵעֲבִיר רָאשׁוֹן רָאשׁוֹן, מֵרְבֶּה מְחִילָה לְחַשְּׁאִים, וּסְלִיחָה לְפוֹשְׁעִים. עוֹשֶׁה צְּדָקוֹת עָם כָּל־בָּשָׂר וָרְוּחַ, וְלֹא כְּרְעָתְם תִּגְמֹל.

אָל הוֹרֶיתָ לְנוּ לוֹמֵר שְׁלשׁ עֶשְׂרֵה, זְכָר־לְנוּ הַיּוֹם בְּרִית שְׁלשׁ עֶשְׂרֵה כְּהוֹדְעְתָּ לֶעְנִוּ מִקְּדֶם, וְכֵן כָתוּב: וַיְּרֶד יִיְ בָּעְנָן וַיִּתְנִצִּב עִמוֹ שָׁם, וַיִּקְרָא בְשֵׁם יִיָּ. וַיִּעֲבֹר יִיְ עַל פְּנִיוֹ וַיִּקְרָא:

נגר שמר לאלפים נמא עון ופשת ושמעי ונצר. "נצר שמר לאלפים נמא עון ופשת ותפאר, ונצר.

ּוְסָלַחְתָּ לַצְּוֹנְנִי וּלְחַשָּׁאתֵנוּ, וּנְחַלְתָּנוּ.

סְלֵח לָנוּ אָבִינוּ כִּי חָטָאנוּ, מְחַל לָנוּ מַלְבֵּנוּ כִּי פְשָׁעְנוּ. כִּי אַתָּה, יִיָ, טוֹב וְסַלָּח וְרֵב חֶסֶד לְכָל־קוֹרְאֶיף. The Sabbath has ended, night has come; We approach You with earnest plea. O You who dwell in the heavens above, Bend low and hear our hymn of praise.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

Remember Isaac, bound for an offering, In whose stead the ram was slain. Shield his descendants praying this night; Kindle Your power; come to their aid.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

Receive all who seek Your Presence; Let their plea reach Your heavenly abode. Do not refuse to hear their prayers, The fervent prayers which they offer.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

Trembling before You like a woman in travail, Like a woman bringing forth her firstborn, They stand in awe before Your wonders, Before the wonder of Your forgiveness.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

בְּמוֹצְאִי מְנוּחָה קדַמְנְוּךּ תְּחַלָּה הַט אָזְנְךּ מִמְּרוֹם יוֹשֵׁב תְּהַלָּה לִשְׁמְעַ אֶל הָרְנָּה וָאֶל הַתְּפִלָּה.

אָת־יִמִין עֹז עוֹרְרָה לַצְשׁוֹת חָיִל בְּצֶדֶק נָאָלֶןר, וְנִשְׁחַט תְּמוּרוֹ אָיִל גְּנֶן נָא גִוְעוֹ בְּוַצֵּקָם בְּעוֹד לָיִל לִשְׁמִע אָל הָרְנָּה וְאָל הַתִּפִּלָּה.

דְּרָשׁ נָא דוֹרָשֶׁיךּ בְּדְרְשָׁם פָּגֶיךּ הִדְּרָשׁ לָמוֹ מִשְּׁמִי מְעוֹנֶךּ וּלְשַׁוְעַת חִנּוּנָם אֵל תַּעְלֵם אָוְנֶךּ לִשְׁמְעַ אֶל הָרָנָה וְאֶל הַתְּפִלָּה.

זוֹחַלִים וְרוֹעֲדִים מִיּוֹם בּוֹאֶךְ חָלִים כְּמַבְכִּירָה מֵעֶבְרֵת מֵשְּׂאֶךְּ טִנּוּפָם מְחֵה נָא וְיוֹדוּ פְּלָאֶיךְּ לִשְׁמִע אֶל הָרְנָּה וָאֶל הַתִּפִלָּה.

You created every living being, Of old You rescued us from trouble. Bless us though we be not worthy. Grant us Your gift of forgiveness.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

Strengthen Your people, O Lord on high, Though their transgressions are so many. Bless them from Your heavenly treasure. Though undeserving, they plead before You.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

Consider our suffering, not our sins; Vindicate those who plead before You. You, who perform wonders, hear us; Lord God of hosts, heed our plea.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

Once You received the Temple sacrifices, Now accept our petition for forgiveness. Accept the plea we offer this night, Reveal for us the wonder of Your deeds.

Hear our plea! Accept our prayer!

יוֹצֵר אַתָּה לְכָל־יְצִיר נוֹצָר כּוֹנְנְתָ מֵאָז תֶּרֶף לְחַלְּצָם מִמַּצְצְר לְחָנְנָם חָנָּם מֵאוֹצְר הַמְנָצְר לִשְׁמְעַ אֶל הָרָנָּה וְאֶל הַתְּפִלָּה.

מָרוֹם אָם עָצְמוּ פִּשְׁעֵי קְּהְכֶּךְ נָא שַׁנְּבִם מֵאוֹצְר הַמּוּכְן בִּזְבוּלֶךְּ עָדֶיךְּ לָחֹן חִנְּם בָּאִים אֵלֶיךְּ לִשְׁמִעַ אָל הָרָנָה וָאָל הַתִּפִּלָּה.

פְּנֵה נָא אֶל הַתְּלָאוֹת וְאֵל לְחֲשָׁאוֹת צֵדִּלְ צוֹעֲלֶןדְ מַפְלִיא פְלָאוֹת לְשְׁב נָא חִנּוּנָם אֱלֹהִים יִיְ צְבָאוֹת לִשְׁמִעַ אֶל הָרנָה וְאֶל הַתְּפִלָּה.

רְצֵה עֲתִירָתָם בְּעָמְדָם בַּלֵּילוֹת שְׁעֵה בְּרָצוֹן כְּלְוְרַבֵּן כְּלִיל וְעוֹלוֹת תַּרְאֵם נָפֶיךּ עוֹשֶׂה גְדוֹלוֹת לִשְׁמִע אֶל הָרִנָּה וְאֶל הַתִּפִלָּה.

Hear our voice, Lord our God, pity us, save us; Accept our prayer with compassion and kindness.

> Help us return to You, and we shall return; Renew our lives as when we were young.

Cast us not away from Your Presence; Take not Your holy spirit from us.

> Cast us not away when we are old, When strength is gone do not abandon us.

Do not abandon us, Lord our God, do not be far from us.

Show us a sign of grace in spite of our foes, For You are our help and our comfort.

Hear our words, O Lord, and consider our inmost thoughts.

May the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart Be acceptable to You, O Lord, our Rock and our Redeemer.

For You we wait, our God; You, O Lord, will answer.

שָׁמַע קוֹלֵנוּ, יָיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, חוּס וְרַחֵם עָלֵינוּ, וְלַבֵּל בְּרַחָמִים וּבְרָצוֹן אֶת־תִּפִלְּתֵנוּ. הַשִּׁיבֵנוּ יִיָ אֵלֶיךּ וְנְשִׁוּבָה, חַדִּשׁ יָמֵינוּ כְּלֵבם.

אַל תַּשְׁלִיכֵנוּ מִלְּפָנֶיךּ, וְרְוּחַ קְדְשְׁךּ אַל תִּקְּוּוּ. אַל תַשְׁלִיכֵנוּ מִלְּפָנֶיךּ, וְרְוּחַ קְדְשְׁךּ אַל תִּשְׁוֹנְוּ מִקְנְוּ. אַל תַשְׁלִיכֵנוּ לְעֵת וִקְנְה, כִּכְלוֹת כֹּחֵנוּ אַל תַּעַוְבֵנוּ. אַל תַּעְוֹבְנוּ, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, אַל תִּרְחַק מִמֶּנוּ.

אֲמֶה עִּמֶּנוּ אוֹת לְטוֹבָה וְיִרְאוּ שׁוֹנְאֵינוּ וְיֵבְשׁוּ, כִּי אַתְּה יִיְ צְוַרְתָּנוּ וְנְחַמְתָנוּ. אֲמֶרֵינוּ הַאֲוִינָה יִיְ, בִּינָה הַגִּיגַנוּ.

יִהְיוּ לְרָצוֹן אִמְרֵי פִינוּ וְהָגְיוֹן לְבֵּנוּ לְפָנֵיךּ, יְיָ צוּרְנוּ וְגוֹאַלֵנוּ. כִּי לְךּ יִיָ הוֹחָלְנוּ, אַתָּה תַצְנָה, אֲדֹנֵי אֶלֹהֵינוּ. Grievous are my wounds, fearful are my pains; My strength is gone, I am drained to the core.

There is no escape for my body or my soul, No haven for me, no relief from my plight.

A triad of evil seeks my destruction, Consuming my flesh, and enslaving my spirit—

Corroding sin, frightful pain, stark loneliness. Can anyone withstand their crushing power?

O God! Am I an ocean or a monster of the deep? Am I made of iron or cast of bronze?

How can I bear the threats levelled against me? Why should constant suffering be my heritage?

Why probe into all my failings?
Are all others free of wrongdoing?

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Consider my agony, the punishments I suffer, How my soul is imprisoned like a caged bird.

Accept me as Your constant servant, For to be Your servant is to be ever free.

בְּאֵבִי רַב וּמַכְּתִי אֲנוּשָׁה וָכֹחִי סָר וְעַצְמוּתִי חֲלוּשָה, ּוָאֵין מִבְרָח וְאֵין מָנוֹס לְנַפְשִׁי, וְאֵין מָקוֹם תְּהִי לִי בוֹ נְפִישָה. שְׁלשָׁה אָסְפוּ עָלֵי לְכַלּוֹת יַשְאַר גּוּפִי וְרוּחִי הָעֲנוּשָׁה: - גָּדֹל עָוֹן וָרֹב מַכָאוֹב וּפֵרוּד וּמִי יוּכֵל עֲמֹד לִפָּגִי שְׁלֹשָׁה? ּהַיָם אָנִי וְאָם תַּנִּין, אֱלֹהַי, וָכִי בַרְזֶל עֲצָמֵי אוֹ נְחוּשָׁה? ּאֲשֶׁר כָּל־עֵת יְסֻבּוּנִי תְלָאוֹת, ּכְאָלֹוּ הָם מְסוּרִים לִי יְרָשָׁה, וְתִדְרשׁ לַעֲוֹנִי רַקּ, כְּאָלּוּ יָרְ אֵין עַל בְנֵי אָדָם דְּרִישָׁה! רָאָה נָא בַעֲמַל עַבְדָּךְ וְעָנְיוֹ יָכִי נַפְשׁוֹ כְּמוֹ דָאָה יְקוּשָׁה – וְאֶהְיֶה לָךְּ לְעוֹלָמִים לְעֶבֶּד ָוָלֹא אֶשְׁאַל עֲדֵי נֶצֵח חֲפִישָׁה.

Our God and God of our fathers, hear our prayer; do not ignore our plea. We are neither so brazen nor so arrogant to claim that we are righteous, without sin, for indeed we are sinful.

Ashamnu bagadnu gazalnu dibarnu dofi. He'evinu vehirshanu zadnu ḥamasnu tafalnu shaker. Ya'atznu ra, kizavnu latznu maradnu ni'atznu sararnu 'avinu pashanu tzararnu kishinu 'oref. Rashanu shiḥatnu ti'avnu ta'inu titanu.

We abuse, we betray, we are cruel.
We destroy, we embitter, we falsify.
We gossip, we hate, we insult.
We jeer, we kill, we lie.
We mock, we neglect, we oppress.
We pervert, we quarrel, we rebel.
We steal, we transgress, we are unkind.
We are violent, we are wicked, we are xenophobic.
We yield to evil, we are zealots for bad causes.

We have ignored Your commandments and statutes, and it has not profited us. You are just, we have stumbled. You have acted faithfully, we have been unrighteous.

We have sinned, we have transgressed. Therefore we have not been saved. Endow us with the will to forsake evil; save us soon. Thus Your prophet Isaiah declared: "Let the wicked forsake his path and the unrighteous man his plottings. Let him return to the Lord, who will show him compassion. Let him return to our God, who will surely forgive him."

אָלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתִינוּ, מָבֹא לְפָנֵיךְּ חְפִלְּתְנוּ, וְאַל תִּחְעַלַּם מִתְּחִנְּתֵנוּ, שֶׁאִין אֲנַחְנוּ עַזִּי פָנִים וּלְשֵׁי עְׂרֶךְ לוֹמֵר לְפָנֵיךּ, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וָאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתִינוּ, צַדִּילִים אֲנַחְנוּ וְלֹא חָטָאנוּ, אֲבָל אֲנָחְנוּ חָטָאנוּ.

> אָשַׁמְנוּ, בְּגְדְנוּ, נְּזְלְנוּ, דְבַּרְנוּ דְפִי. הָעָלְינוּ, וְהִרְשִׁעְנוּ, זְדְנוּ, חָמַסְנוּ, טְּמְלְנוּ שֶׁכֶּרְ. יָעֲצְנוּ רָע, כִּוְּבְנוּ, לַצְנוּ, מְּלְדְנוּ, נְאַצְנוּ, סְרְרָנוּ, עָוֶינוּ, שְׁחַתְנוּ, תִּעְבְנוּ, תִּשְׁינוּ עְׂרֶף. רְשַׁעְנוּ, שׁחַתְנוּ, תִּעִבְנוּ, תִּעִינוּ, תִּעְתִּעְנוּ.

פַרְנוּ מִמִּצְוֹתֶיךּ וּמִמִּשְׁפָּטֶידּ הַטּוֹבִים, וְלֹא שָׁנְה לְנוּ, וְאַתְּה צַדִּיק עַל כָּל־הַבָּא עָלֵינוּ, כִּי אָמֶת עָשִׂיתְ וַאָּנְחְנוּ הִרְשְׁעְנוּ.

וְתֵּן בְּלְבֵּנוּ לַצְּוֹב דֶּרֶךְ רְשֵׁע וְחִישׁ לְנוּ יְשַׁע, כַּכְּתוּב עֵל יֵד נְבִיאֶךְ: יַצְוֹב רָשָׁע דַּרְכּוֹ, וְאִישׁ אָנֶן מַחְשְׁבֹתִיו, וְיָשֹׁב אֶל יִי וִירַחַמֵּהוּ, וְאֶל אֱלֹהֵינוּ כִּי יַרְבָּה לִסְלְוֹחַ.

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			הוא יענור	מִי שֶׁעְנָה לְאַבְרָהָם אָבֶינוּ בְּהַר הַמּוֹרָיָה
He answered Abraham on Mount Moriah	_			
And his son Isaac, bound on the altar.	Hu ya'aneinu. May Ho answer us	•	הוא יַנְצְנִנּוּ	מִי שֶׁצְנָה לְיִצְחָק בְּנוֹ כְשֶׁנֶּצְקַד עַל גַּב תַּמִּוְבֵּחַ
He answered Jacob, praying at Beth El	May He answer us.	•	הוא <u>יִע</u> נְנוּ	מִי שֶׁעְנָה לְיַעֲלִב בְּבֵית אָל
And his son Joseph, imprisoned in Egypt.	May Us answer us	•	הוא יַעַנְנוּ	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לְיוֹמֵף בְּבֵית הָאֲסוּרִים
He answered our fathers at the Red Sea	May He answer us.		הוא יַעַנֵנוּ	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לַאֲבוֹתִינוּ עַל יַם סוּף
And our teacher Moses standing at Sinai.			•	מִי שֵׁעָנָה לִמשֵה בָּחוֹרֵב
Ho appropriate Assembly and a second second	May He answer us.	•	הוא <u>יְעַ</u> נְנוּ	;
He answered Aaron, bearing an offering, And his grandson Phineas, the priestly hero.		•	הוא יַנְצַנְנוּ.	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לְאַהַרֹן בַּמַחְתָּה
	May He answer us.	•	הוא יִעַנְנוּ	מִי שֶׁעְנָה לְפִינְחָס בְּקוּמוֹ מִתּוֹךְ הָעֵרָה
He answered Joshua at Gilgal  And Samuel the prophet at Mitzpah.		•	הוא יַעַנֵנוּ.	מִי שֶׁעְנָה לִיהוֹשֻׁעַ בַּגּּלְגָּל
He answered David facing Goliath	May He answer us.	•	הוא יַעַנֵנוּ.	מִי שֶׁעְנָה לִשְׁמוּאֵל בַּמִּצְפָּה
And Solomon, his son, king in Jerusalem.		•	הוא <u>יש</u> ננו.	מִי שֵׁעַנָה לְדַוִד וּשָׁלֹמה בִנוֹ בִירוּשָׁלֵיִם
He answered Elijah on Mount Carmel	May He answer us.		הרא <u>רע</u> ננר.	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לְאָלִיֵּהוּ בְּהַר הַכַּרְמֵל
And his disciple Elisha in Jericho.				מִי שֶׁעְנָה לֶאֶלִישָׁע בִּירִיחוֹ מִי שֶׁעְנָה לֶאֶלִישָׁע בִּירִיחוֹ
The energy and touch to describe the control of the	May He answer us.	•	הוא יַעַגְנוּ.	
He answered Jonah in the great fish And King Hezekiah during his illness.		•	הוא יַעֲנֵנוּ.	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לְיוֹנָה בִּמְעֵי הַדְּגָה
	May He answer us.	•	הוא יַעֲנָנוּ.	מָי שֶׁעְנָה לְחִוָּקְיֶהוּ בְּחָלְיוֹ
He answered Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah When they were thrown into the fiery furnace	•	•	הוא יַעַנָנוּ.	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לַחֲנַנְיָה מִישָׁאֵל וַעֲזַרְיָה בְּתוֹךְ כִּבְשַׁן הָאֵשׁ
	May He answer us.		הוא יִעַנֵנוּ.	מִי שֶׁעָנָה לְדָנִיֵּאל בָּגֹב הָאֲרַיוֹת
He answered Daniel in the den of lions, Mordecai and Esther in the city of Shushan.				
retordecar and estrict in the city of shushan,	May He answer us.		.הוא יַגְצַנְנוּ	מִי שָׁעָנָה לְמָרְדְּכֵי וָאֶסְתֵּר בְּשׁוּשַׁן הַבִּירָה
He answered Ezra in exile,	,		הוא <u>יע</u> ננו.	מִי שֶׁעְנָה לְעֶוְרָא בַּגּוֹלָה
And all the righteous and upright,	May He answer us.		הוא יִעַנִנוּ.	מִי שֶׁצְנָה לְכָל־ הַצַּדִּיקִים וְהַחֲסִידִים וְהַתְּמִימִים וְהַיְשָׁרִים

O Lord, rebuke me, but not in anger; O Lord, chasten me, but not in wrath.

Pity me, I faint; heal me, my limbs tremble. How long must my soul suffer such agony?

Return to me, Lord, and rescue me; Save me, for the sake of Your kindness.

In death there is no one to remember You. In the grave who can praise You?

Weary am I with groaning and weeping; Nightly my pillow is soaked with tears.

> Grief has dimmed my eyes; Enemies have made me aged.

Away with you, doers of evil! The Lord has heard my cry.

The Lord has heard my supplication; The Lord will accept my prayer.

All my foes shall be shamed and dismayed; Quickly they shall withdraw in humiliation.

ּיָרָ, אַל בְּאַפְּךּ תוֹכִיחֵנִי וְאַל בַּחֲמְתְרּ תְּיַפְּרָנִי. חָנְנִי יְיָ, כִּי אָמְלַל אָנִי. רְפָאֵנִי יִיָּ, כִּי נִבְהַלוּ עֲצְמִי. חָנְנִי יְיָ, כִּי אָמְלַל אָנִי. רְפָאֵנִי יִיָּ, כִּי נִבְהַלוּ עֲצְמִי.

וְנַפְשִׁי נִבְהַלָּה מְאֹד, וְאַתָּה יְיָ, עֵד מָתִי. שוּבָה יִיָ, חַלְּצָה נַפְשִׁי. הוֹשִׁיעֵנִי לְמַעַן חַסְּדֶּךּ.

כִּי אֵין בַּמָּנֶת וִכְרֶךּ, בִּשְׁאוֹל מִי יְוֹדֶה לַּךְּ. יְגְעְתִּי בְּאַנְחָתִי, אַשְּׂחָה בְּכָל־לַיְלָה מִשְּׁתִי, בְּדִמְעָתִי עַרְשִּׁי אַמְסָה.

צְשְׁשָׁה מִכָּעֵס צִינִי, צְתְקָה בְּכְל־צֵוֹרְרָי. סִוּרוּ מִמֶּנִּי כָּל־פִּּעֲלֵי אָנֶן, כִּי שָׁמַע יִיָ קוֹל בִּכְיִי.

שָׁמַע יִיָ תְּחָנָּתִי, יִיְ תְּפִלְּתִי יִקְּח. יֵבְשׁוּ וִיִבְּחָלוּ מְאֹד כָּל־אֹיְבָי, יָשֶׁבוּ יֵבְשׁוּ רֲגַע.

Psalm 6

Guardian of Israel, guard the remnant of the people Israel. Let not disaster overcome the people Israel Who daily proclaim: Hear, O Israel!

Guardian of a unique people, guard the remnant of this people. Let not disaster overcome this unique people Who daily proclaim: The Lord is One!

Guardian of a holy people, guard the remnant of this people. Let not disaster overcome this holy people Who daily proclaim: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord!

O God, moved by prayer and reconciled by supplication, accept the prayers and supplications of our afflicted generation, for there is none else to help.

Our Father, our King, be gracious to us and answer us. Though we are without good deeds, be merciful with us and save us. We look to You, for alone we are helpless. Remember Your mercies and kindness, O Lord, for they are of eternity.

May Your lovingkindness be with us, for we put our trust in You. Do not recall our former sins, but let Your mercies come to our aid, for we are brought so very low.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy, for we are sated with humiliation; remember that we are but dust. Help us, O Lord of deliverance, for the sake of Your glory. Forgive our sins and save us.

שׁוֹמֵר יִשְּׂרָאֵל, שְׁמוֹר שְׁאֵרִית יִשְּׂרָאֵל וָאַל יֹאבֶד יִשְּׂרָאֵל הָאוֹמְרִים שְׁמֵע יִשְׂרָאֵל.

שוֹמֵר גּוֹי אֶחָד, שְׁמוֹר שְׁאַרִית עַם אֶחָד וְאַל יֹאבֵד גּוֹי אֶחָד הַמְיַחָדִים שִׁמְךּ, יָיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ יִיָ אֶחָד.

שוֹמֵר גּוֹי קָדוֹשׁ, שְׁמוֹר שְׁאַרִית עַם קְדוֹשׁ וְאַל יֹאבֵד גּוֹי קִדוֹשׁ הַמְשַׁלְשִׁים בְּשִׁלּוּשׁ קִדְשָׁה לְקָדוֹשׁ.

> מְתְרֵצֶה בְּרַחֲמִים וּמִתְפַּיֵּס בְּתַחֲנוּנִים, הִתְרֵצֵה וְהִתְפַּיֵּס לְדוֹר עָנִי כִּי אֵין עוֹוֵר.

אָבִינוּ מַלְּבֵנוּ, חָנְּנוּ וַעֲנְנוּ, כִּי אֵין בְּנוּ מַעֲשִׁים. עֲשֵׂה עִפָּנוּ צְדָקָה וָחֶסֶד וְהוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ.

וָאַנְחְנוּ לֹא גַדַע מַה נַּעֲשֶׂה, כִּי עָלֶיךּ עִינְינוּ. וְכֹר רַחֲמֶיךּ יִיָ נַחֲסְדֶיךּ, כִּי מֵעוֹלָם הַמָּה.

> ְיָהֵר יְלַּהְּדְּרְ יְיָנְ עְּלֵינוּ כַּאֲשֶׁר יִחַלְנוּ לָדְּ. אַל תִּוְכָּר לְנוּ עֲוֹנוֹת רִאשׁנִים. מַהֵּר יְלַהְּלִוּנִּ עֲלֵנוֹת רַאשׁנִים.

חָגְנוּ יָיָ חָגַנוּ, כִּי רַב שָּׁבְעְנוּ בוּוּ. בְּרְגָוּ רַחֵם תִּוְכּוֹר. כִּי הוּא יָדַע יִצְרָנוּ, זָכוּר כִּי עָפָר אֲנְחְנוּ.

> עָוְרָנוּ אֵלֹהֵי יִשְׁעֲנוּ עַל דְּבֵר כְּבוֹד שְּׁמֶךּ, וְהַצִּילֵנוּ וְכַפֵּר עַל חַפֹּאתִינוּ לְמַעַן שְּׁמֶךּ.

This is my prayer to You, my God:
Let me not swerve from my life's path,
Let not my spirit wither and shrivel
In its thirst for You
And lose the dew
With which You sprinkled it
When I was young.

May my heart be open
To every broken soul,
To orphaned life,
To every stumbler
Wandering unknown
And groping in the shadow.

Bless my eyes, purify me to see Man's beauty rise in the world.

Deepen and broaden my senses
To absorb a fresh
Green, flowering world,
To take from it the secret
Of blossoming in silence.

Grant strength to yield fine fruits, Quintessence of my life, Steeped in my very being Without expectation of reward.

And when my time comes— Let me slip into the night Demanding nothing, God, of man Or of You. זאת תְּפִלְתִי לְךּ, אֵל אֵלְתִי שְׁמְרָנִי לְבַל אֵשְׂטְ מִנְּתִיב חַיֵּי, לְבַל יִמֵּק רוּחִי וּלְבַל יִדַּל מִצִּמְאוֹנוֹ לְךּ וּמִן הַפֵּל עָלָיו הִזְלַפָּתָ בְּעוֹרֶנִי רֵךְ. עָלָיו הִזְלַפָּתָ בְּעוֹרֶנִי רֵךְ.

יְהִי לִבִּי פְּתְוּחַ אֶל כְּל־דַּדְּ, אֶל כָּל־יְתוֹם חַיִּים, אֶל כָּל־כּוֹשֵׁל נִפְתָל בַּמַתָר וּמְנִשִּׁשׁ בַּצָּל.

> בְּרֵךְ עֵינַי, וַכֵּנִי לִרְאוֹת יָפִי אָדָם עוֹלֶה בְּתַבֵל זֹאת.

וְאֶת־חוּשֵׁי בִּי הַעְמֵקּ, הַרְחָב לְסְפֹּג עוֹלָם יְרֹק, נִצְּן וָאֵב, לִקְלֹט מֵהָם סוֹד הַלְּבְלוּב בִּדְמִי. לִקְלֹט מֵהָם סוֹד הַלְּבְלוּב בִּדְמִי.

חָגָּנִי אוֹן לָתַת מֵיטֵב כָּל־פְּרֵי, תַּמְצִית חַיֵּי, בְּנִיב שְׁקִּיּי לְשֵׁדִּי מָבְלִי צַפּוֹת לִגְמוּל צָפּוּי בַּצְדִי.

וּכְבוֹא יוֹמִי – לַחֲמֹק לִרְשׁוּת הַלֵּיל בְּלִי תְּבְעַ מָה מֵאִישׁ וּמִמְּהָ, אֵל. Hallowed and enhanced may He be
Throughout the world of His own creation.
May He cause His sovereignty soon to be accepted,
During our life and the life of all Israel.
And let us say: Amen.

Ye-hei shmei raba meva-rakh l'alam ul'almei 'almaya. May He be praised throughout all time.

Glorified and celebrated, lauded and praised, Acclaimed and honored, extolled and exalted May the Holy One be, Far beyond all song and psalm, Beyond all tributes which man can utter. And let us say: Amen.

May the prayers and pleas

Of the whole House of Israel be accepted

By our Father in Heaven.

And let us say: Amen.

Let there be abundant peace from Heaven, With life's goodness for us and for all the people Israel. And let us say: Amen.

He who brings peace to His universe
Will bring peace to us and to all the people Israel.
And let us say: Amen.

יִתְגַּדֵּל וְיִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמִה רַבָּא בְּעָלְמָא דִי בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵה, וְיַמְלִיךְ מַלְכוּתֵה בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן, וֹבְחַיֵּי דְכָל־בֵּית יִשְּׂרָאֵל בַּעֲנָלָא וּבִוְמֵן קָרִיב, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

יָהַא שְׁמָה רַבָּא מְבָרַך לְעָלַם וּלְעָלָמי עְלְמַיָּא.

יִתְּבָּרֵדְ וִיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמֵם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדֵּר וְיִתְעַבֶּּה וְיִתְהַלֵּל שְׁמֵה דְּקְדְשָׁא בְּרִיךְ הוּא, לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל־בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא, תִּשְׁבִּחְתָא וְנָהָמָתָא, דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

> תִּתְקַבְּל צְלוֹתְהוֹן וּבְעוּתְהוֹן דְּכְל־יִשְׂרָאֵל קָדָם אֲבוּהוֹן דִּי בִשְׁמֵיֶא, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

> > יָהָא שְׁלָמָא רַבְּא מִן שְׁמֵיֶּא וְחַיִּים עָבֵינוּ וְעֵל כְּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

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עוֹשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמְיו הוּא יַצְשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

O Lord our God and God of our fathers, grant us of Your Spirit that we may be cleansed of the jealousies and hates, the grudges and pettiness, the treachery and prejudice which befoul life and poison happiness. Remove the clouds that hover about us. Lift from our hearts the threatening burdens of fear and of loneliness.

May the coming year bring to all men and to all nations the understanding of the Psalmist that peace is the handmaiden of justice and that love must be founded on truth.

Merciful Father, grant us the understanding and the will to love mercy, to live justly and to walk humbly before You. May our hearts be open with generosity and our hands ready with kindness. May our faith in the attainment of peace for all people remain unshaken.

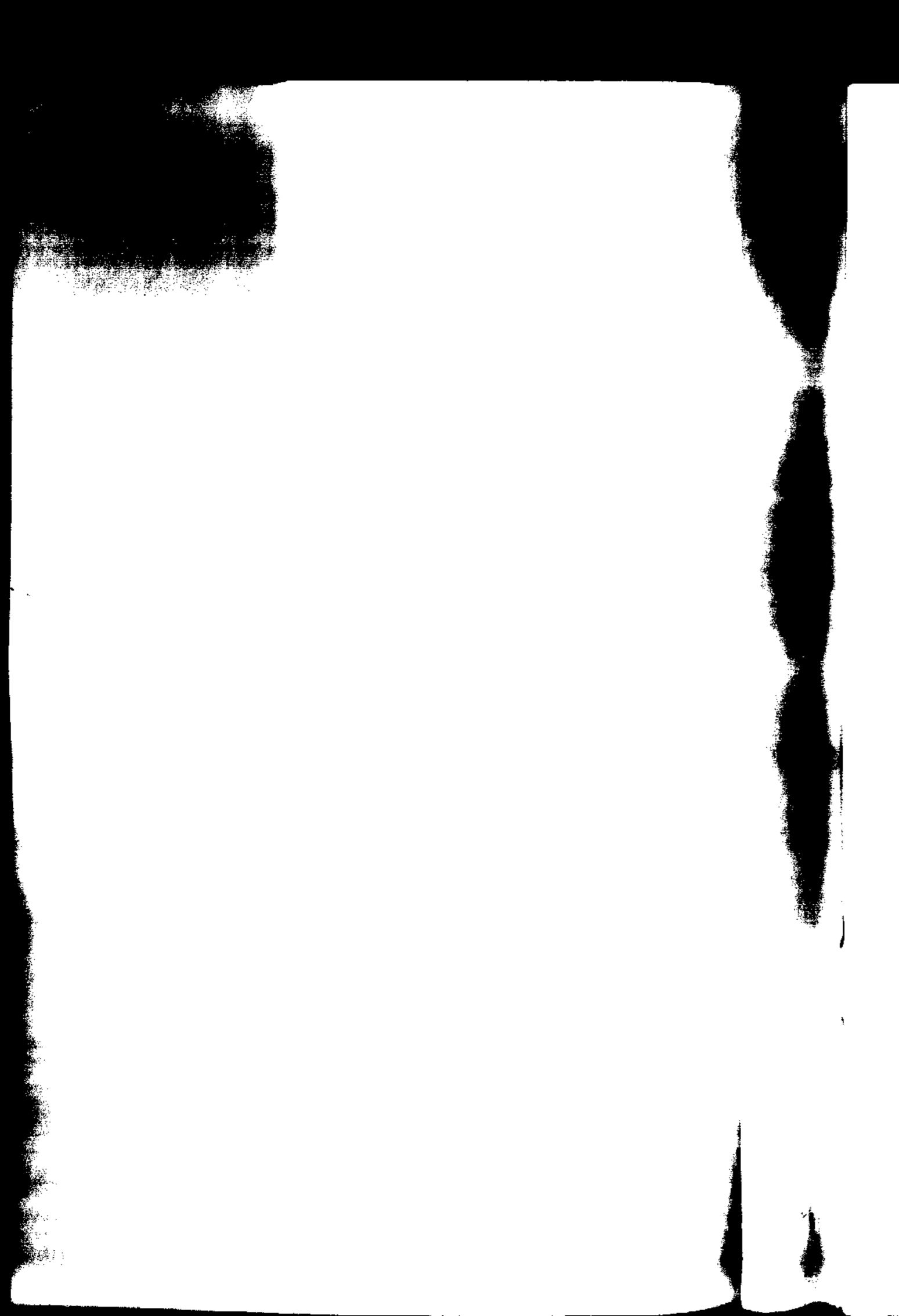
May the words of our mouth and the meditations of our heart find expression in our lives day by day, helping us to overcome the sins in our own lives and in the lives of those who are about us.

May all our aspirations for good be soon fulfilled. Amen.

מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד. יְיָ מִי יָגוּר בְּאָהָלֶךּ, מִי יִשְׁכֹּן בְּהַר קְּדְשֶׁךּ. הוֹלֵדְ תְּמִים וּפֹעֵל צֶדֶק וִדֹבֵר אֲמֶת בִּלְבָבוֹ. לֹא רָגַל עַל לְשׁנוֹ, לֹא עֲשָׂה לְרֵעֲהוּ רָעָה, וְחָרְפָּה לֹא נְשָׂא עַל קְרֹבוֹ. נִבְּזֶה לְא עֲשָׂה לְרֵעֵהוּ רָעָה, וְחָרְפָּה לֹא נְשָׂא עַל קְרֹבוֹ. נִבְּזֶה לְא בְּעִינִיו נִמְאָס וְאֶת־יִרְאֵי יְיָ יְכַבֵּד, נִשְׁבַּע לְהָרַע וְלֹא יָמִר. בְּעִינִיו נִמְאָס וְאֶת־יִרְאֵי יְיָ יְכַבֵּד, נִשְׁבַע לְהָרַע וְלֹא יָמִר. כַּסְפּוֹ לֹא נְתַן בְּנֶשֶׁךְ וְשְׁחַד עַל נָקִי לֹא לָקָח, עְשֵׁה אֵלֶה לֹא יָמֹר. יִמוֹם לְעוֹלְם.

### WHO SHALL DWELL IN YOUR SANCTUARY?

Do we deserve to enter God's sanctuary? How can we merit a place in His Presence? Live with integrity, do what is right, speak the truth without deceit. Have no slander upon your tongue, do no evil to others, do not mistreat your neighbor. Spurn a contemptible person, but honor those who revere the Lord. Never retract a promise once made, though it may bring you harm. Lend no money at usurious interest, accept no bribes against the innocent. Make these deeds your own; then shall you stand firm forever.



### NOTE

Preparation for the New Year begins with Elul, the month preceding Rosh Hashanah. During this month the weekday *Shaharit* Service is concluded with the reading of Psalm 27 and the sounding of the Shofar.

Special penitential prayers—the Selihot—are recited before Shaharit beginning with the Sunday preceding Rosh Hashanah. If the Holy Day falls on Monday or Tuesday, the recitation of Selihot is begun on the second Sunday before Rosh Hashanah.

Since the day in the Jewish calendar begins with the sunset of the previous day, it has become the custom to recite the first Selihot on Saturday night, usually at midnight.

Selihot are recited also during the week between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, and on all fast days. There are variants in the Selihot for the various days and occasions, but their central theme and general pattern are uniform.

### **SOURCES AND TRANSLATORS**

The oldest portions in this as in all editions of the Selihot are verses and chapters from the Bible, with the Book of Psalms as their primary source. Later sections stem from Talmudic and early post-Talmudic times. The largest number of Selihot included in standard compilations are the work of liturgical poets—payyetanim—who lived during the ten centuries following the close of the Talmudic era. The theme of these poets is largely uniform, as is the structure of their poetry.

Selihot by some of the most widely known payyetanim are represented in this edition. These include writings by Rav Amram Gaon of Babylonia (821-875), Saadya Gaon of Babylonia and Egypt (892-942), Benjamin ben Zerach of Europe (about 1050), and Solomon ben Isaac of France (Rashi, 1040-1105).

A number of poems and prayers have been introduced in this edition of the service. These include a poem by the poet and philosopher Solomon ibn Gabirol of Spain (1021-1058). The modern era is represented by Hillel Zeitlin (1872-1943) of Warsaw, Poland, the saintly and gifted author who perished in the Nazi holocaust. Included also is a poem by the sensitive and gentle Hillel Bavli (1892-1961), a Hebrew poet who was professor of Hebrew literature at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. These selections, on pages 38, 20, and 48 respectively, were translated by Rabbis Gershon Hadas, Jules Harlow and Norman Tarnor.

The Chairman of the Prayer Book Committee translated all the traditional portions of the service, and composed the various English readings. The entire service benefited greatly by the helpful criticisms of colleagues in the Rabbinical Assembly, as noted in the Foreword.

Master of the Universe! I herewith forgive anyone who may have irritated, angered or injured me, whether acting against my person, my possessions, or my reputation. Let no man be punished on my account, whether the wrong done me was accidental or malicious, unwitting or purposeful, by word or by deed. May it be Your will, O Lord my God and God of my fathers, that I not repeat the wrongs I have committed, and that I sin no more. May I never again anger You by doing that which is evil in Your sight. I pray that You will wipe away my sins, not through sickness and suffering but with great mercy. May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before You, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer.