

Parental blessing

For sons:

יְשִׁמְחֵ אֱלֹהִים בְּאֶפְרַיִם וּבְמְנַשֶּׁה:

Y'simḥa Elohim k'efra-yim v'ḥi-mena-sheh.

May God bless you,
as the sons of Joseph—Ephraim and Manasseh—were blessed!

For daughters:

יְשִׁמְחֵ אֱלֹהִים כְּשָׂרָה. רִבְקָה. רָחֵל וְלֵאָה:

Y'simeyḥ Elohim k'sara, rivka, raḥel, v'leya.

May God bless you,
as Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah were blessed!

Y'VAREHEḤA—The threefold blessing

Recite the following for all assembled:

יְבָרֵכְךָ יי וְיִשְׁמְרֵךָ: 2

יֵאָר יי פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיְחַנֶּנֶךָ: 3

יִשָּׂא יי פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לְךָ שְׁלוֹם: 4

Y'va-reḥ'ḥa Adonai v'yish-m'reḥa, 2

Ya-eyr Adonai panav eyle-ḥa viḥu-neka, 3

Yisa Adonai panav eyle-ḥa v'ya-seym l'ḥa shalom. 4

2 May the Lord bless you and protect you. 2

3 May the Lord show you kindness and be gracious to you. 3

4 May the Lord bestow favor upon you and grant you peace. 4