

We thank You for the miraculous deliverance, for the heroism, and for the triumphs in battle of our ancestors in other days, and in our time.

In the days of Mattathias son of Yohanan, the Hasmonean kohen gadol, and in the days of his sons, a cruel power rose against Israel, demanding that they abandon Your Torah and violate Your mitzvot. You, in great mercy, stood by Your people in time of trouble. You defended them, vindicated them, and avenged their wrongs. You delivered the strong into the hands of the weak, the many into the hands of the few, the corrupt into the hands of the pure in heart, the guilty into the hands of the innocent. You delivered the arrogant into the hands of those who were faithful to Your Torah. You have wrought great victories and miraculous deliverance for Your people Israel to this day, revealing Your glory and Your holiness to all the world. Then Your children came into Your shrine, cleansed Your Temple, purified Your sanctuary, and kindled lights in Your sacred courts. They set aside these eight days as a season for giving thanks and reciting praises to You.

For all these blessings we shall ever praise and exalt You.

On Shabbat before Yom Kippur:

Inscribe all the people of Your covenant for a good life.

May every living creature thank You and praise You faithfully, our deliverance and our help. Praised are You, beneficent Lord to whom all praise is due.

Reader adds:

Bless us, our God and God of our ancestors, with the threefold blessing written in the Torah by Moses, Your servant, pronounced by Aaron and by his descendants, kohanim, Your holy people.

May the Lord bless you and guard you.  
May the Lord show you favor  
and be gracious to you.  
May the Lord show you kindness  
and grant you peace.

Congregation:  
Ken y'hi ratzon.

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Grant peace to the world, with happiness and blessing, grace, love, and mercy for us and for all the people Israel. Bless us, our Father, one and all, with Your light; for by that light did You teach us Torah and life, love and tenderness, justice and mercy, and peace. May it please You to bless Your people Israel in every season and at all times with Your gift of peace.

על הנסים ועל הפְּרָקוֹן, ועל הגְּבוּרוֹת, ועל התְּשׁוּעוֹת, ועל המְלָחֶמוֹת שְׁעָשִׂיתָ לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם וּבְזֶמַן הַזֶּה.

בַּיָּמִי מִתְתִּיחֵהוּ בֶן-יִיחֲזָק בְּהֵן גָּדוֹל, חֲשֹׁמוֹנִי וּבְנָיו, בְּשַׁעֲמֻדָּה מְלָכוֹת וְזֶן הַרְשָׁעָה עַל עַמְּךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל לְהַשְׁכִּיחַם תּוֹרָתְךָ וּלְהַעֲבִירָם מִחֻקֵּי רְצוֹנְךָ, וְאַתָּה בְּרַחֲמֶיךָ הַרְבִּים עֲמַדְתָּ לָהֶם בַּעַת צָרָתָם, רַבָּת אֶת-רִיבָם, וְנָתַת אֶת-דִּינָם, נִקְמַת אֶת-נִקְמָתָם, מִסָּרַת גְּבוּרִים בְּיַד חֲלָשִׁים, וְרַבִּים בְּיַד מַעֲטִים, וְטַמְאִים בְּיַד טְהוֹרִים, וְרָשָׁעִים בְּיַד צַדִּיקִים, וְזָדִים בְּיַד עוֹסְקֵי תּוֹרָתְךָ. וְלָךְ עָשִׂיתָ שֵׁם גָּדוֹל וְקָדוֹשׁ בְּעוֹלָמְךָ, וּלְעַמְּךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל עָשִׂיתָ תְּשׁוּעָה גְדוֹלָה וּפְרָקוֹן כְּהִיּוֹם הַזֶּה. וְאַחֲרַי כֵּן בָּאוּ בְנֶיךָ לְדַבֵּיר בֵּיתְךָ וּפְנּוּ אֶת-הַיְכָלְךָ, וְטָהְרוּ אֶת-מִקְדָּשְׁךָ, וְהִדְלִיקוּ נֵרוֹת בְּחִצְרוֹת קֹדֶשְׁךָ, וְקִבְּעוּ שְׁמוֹנֶת יָמֵי חֲנֻכָּה אֵלּוֹ לְהוֹדוֹת וּלְהַלֵּל לְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל.

ועל כָּלֵם יִתְבָּרַךְ וַיִּתְרוֹמַם שְׁמֶךָ מִלִּפְנֵי תְּמִיד לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

On Shabbat before Yom Kippur:

וּכְתוֹב לַחַיִּים טוֹבִים כָּל-בְּנֵי בְרִיתְךָ.

וְכָל הַחַיִּים יוֹדוּךָ סֶלָה, וַיְהִלְלוּ אֶת-שִׁמְךָ בְּאַמֶּת, הָאֵל יִשׁוּעָתָנוּ וְעֲזָרְתָנוּ סֶלָה. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ הוֹדוֹ הַטוֹב שְׁמֶךָ וְלָךְ נִאֲה לְהוֹדוֹת.

Reader adds:

אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאַלְהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ, בָּרְכֵנוּ בְּבִרְכָּה הַמְּשַׁלֶּשֶׁת, בְּתוֹרָה הַפְּתוּכָה עַל יְדֵי מֹשֶׁה עֲבָדְךָ, הָאֲמוּרָה מִפִּי אֶהֱרֹן וּבְנָיו, כְּהֻנִּים, עִם קְדוֹשְׁךָ, בְּאָמֹר:

Congregation:

כֵּן יְהִי רָצוֹן.

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כֵּן יְהִי רָצוֹן.

יְבָרְכֶךָ יְיָ וַיִּשְׁמְרֶךָ.

יָאֵר יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיַּחֲנֶנֶךָ.

יִשָּׂא יְיָ פָּנָיו אֵלֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לָךְ שְׁלוֹם.

שִׁים שְׁלוֹם בְּעוֹלָם, טוֹבָה וּבִרְכָּה, חֵן וְחֶסֶד וְרַחֲמִים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךָ. בָּרְכֵנוּ אֲבִינוּ כָּלֵנוּ בְּאֶחָד בְּאֹר פְּנִיָּה, כִּי בְּאֹר פְּנִיָּה נָתַתָּ לָנוּ, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, תּוֹרַת חַיִּים וְאַהֲבַת חֶסֶד, וְצִדְקָה וּבִרְכָּה וְרַחֲמִים וְחַיִּים וְשְׁלוֹם. וְטוֹב בְּעִינֶיךָ לְבָרַךְ אֶת-עַמְּךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּכָל-עֵת וּבְכָל-שָׁעָה בְּשְׁלוֹמְךָ.



On Shabbat before Yom Kippur substitute  
these words for the line which follows:

May we and the entire House of Israel be remembered and recorded in  
the Book of life, blessing, sustenance, and peace. Praised are You, Lord,  
Source of peace.

Praised are You, Lord who blesses His people Israel with peace.

The Reader's chanting of the Amidah ends  
here. On Rosh Hodesh, Hanukkah, and Hol  
Ha-mo'ed Pesah which coincide with  
Shabbat, we continue with Hallel on page  
381 (on Sukkot: page 379). At all other times  
we continue with Kaddish Shalem, on page 393.

At the conclusion of the Amidah, personal  
prayers may be added

My God, keep my tongue from evil, my lips from lies. Help me ignore  
those who slander me. Let me be humble before all. Open my heart to  
Your Torah, so that I may pursue Your mitzvot. Frustrate the designs  
of those who plot evil against me. Make nothing of their schemes. Do  
so because of Your compassion, Your power, Your holiness, and Your  
Torah. Answer my prayer for the deliverance of Your people. May  
the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable  
to You, my Rock and my Redeemer. He who brings peace to His uni-  
verse will bring peace to us and to all the people Israel. Amen.

An alternative:

Grant me the privilege of the liberating joy of Shabbat, the privilege  
of truly tasting the delight of Shabbat. May I be undisturbed by sad-  
ness, by sorrow, or by sighing during the holy hours of Shabbat. Fill  
Your servant's heart with joy, for to You, O Lord, I offer my entire  
being. Let me hear joy and jubilation. Help me to expand the dimen-  
sions of all Shabbat delights. Help me to extend the joy of Shabbat to  
the other days of the week, until I attain the goal of deep joy always.  
Show me the path of life, the full joy of Your Presence, the bliss of  
being close to You forever. May the words of my mouth and the  
meditations of my heart be acceptable to You, O Lord, my Rock and  
my Redeemer.

On Shabbat before Yom Kippur substitute  
these words for the line which follows:

בְּסֵפֶר חַיִּים, בְּרַכָּה וְשָׁלוֹם, וּפְרֻנְסָה טוֹבָה, נִזְכָּר וְנִקְדָּם לְפָנֶיךָ,  
אֲנַחְנוּ וְכָל-עַמְּךָ בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל, לְחַיִּים טוֹבִים וְלִשְׁלוֹם. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה  
יְהוָה עֹשֶׂה הַשְּׁלוֹם.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה הַמְבָרֵךְ אֶת-עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּשָׁלוֹם.

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אֱלֹהֵי, נִצּוֹר לְשׁוֹנֵי מָרַע וּשְׂפָתֵי מַדְבַּר מֶרְמָה, וְלִמְקַלְלֵי נַפְשִׁי  
תְּדוּם, וְנַפְשִׁי בְּעֶפֶר לְכָל תַּהֲיָה. פָּתַח לִבִּי בְּתוֹרַתְךָ  
וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךָ תִּרְדּוּף נַפְשִׁי. וְכָל-הַחוֹשְׁבִּים עָלַי רָעָה, מְהֵרָה  
הִפֵּר עֲצָתָם וְקַלְקַל מַחֲשַׁבְתָּם. עֲשֵׂה לִמְעַן שְׁמֶךָ, עֲשֵׂה לִמְעַן  
יְמִינְךָ, עֲשֵׂה לִמְעַן קִדְשְׁתָּךְ, עֲשֵׂה לִמְעַן תּוֹרַתְךָ, לִמְעַן  
יִחַלְצוֹן יִדְיָךְ, הוֹשִׁיעָה יְמִינְךָ וְעֲנֵנִי. יְהִיו לְרָצוֹן אֲמִרֵי-פִי  
וְהִגִּיוֹן לִבִּי לְפָנֶיךָ, יְהוָה צוּרִי וְגֹאֲלִי. עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרוֹמָיו,  
הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שְׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל-יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

An alternative:

וּבְנֵי לְשִׁמְחָה וְחֵירוּת שֶׁל שַׁבָּת, וּבְנֵי לְטַעַם טַעַם עֲנֵג שַׁבָּת  
בְּאַמֶּת. וּבְנֵי שֶׁלֹא יַעֲלֶה עַל לִבִּי שׁוֹם עֲצָבוֹת וּמְרָה שְׁחוּרָה,  
וְלֹא שׁוֹם יְגוֹן וְאַנְחָה בְּיוֹם שַׁבָּת קָדֵשׁ. שִׂמַּח נַפְשׁ עֲבָדְךָ כִּי  
אֵלֶיךָ אֲדֹנִי נַפְשִׁי אָשָׂא. תִּשְׁמִיעֵנִי שְׁשׁוֹן וּשְׁמִיחָה. עֲזָרְנִי  
לְהִרְבוֹת בְּתַעֲנוּגֵי שַׁבָּת בְּכָל-מִינֵי תַעֲנוּגִים. וְעֲזָרְנִי לְהַמְשִׁיךְ  
הַשְׁמִיחָה שֶׁל שַׁבָּת לְשֵׁשֶׁת יְמֵי הַחֹל עַד שְׁאֲזֹכָה לְהִיּוֹת  
בְּשִׁמְחָה תָּמִיד. תוֹדִיעֵנִי אֶרְחַ חַיִּים. שִׁבַּע שְׁמִחוֹת אֶת-פָּנֶיךָ,  
נְעִימוֹת בִּימִינְךָ נִצַּח. יְהִיו לְרָצוֹן אֲמִרֵי פִי וְהִגִּיוֹן לִבִּי לְפָנֶיךָ  
יְהוָה צוּרִי וְגֹאֲלִי.