





Dear friend,

Your visit here this evening is a compassionate gift to those who are mourning.

תְּבֵּלוֹך הַבְּּמֹת (k'vod ha-meit) means "honoring someone who has died." It is a mitzvah – a spiritual act – of the highest caliber in Jewish tradition because of the kindness offered at the very time it is most needed. Grieving for a loved one is not easy to do; your companionship offers invaluable comfort and healing. Thank you for accompanying your friend on this journey through "the valley of the shadow" (Psalms 23).

If you are interested, we've placed at the end of this service booklet a brief article written by the staff of the Bereavement Center of Westchester, entitled, "How You Can Help A Grieving Person."

In Aggadat Shir HaShirim, we are taught: "Those who give care to others, give care to God." Thank you again for being here this evening.

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Zekher Tzadik Livrakha The Memory of the Righteous is a Blessing

A Siddur for the House of Mourning

YOU GIVE MEANING TO OUR DAYS, to our struggles and strivings. In the stillness of the night and in the press of the crowd, Yours is the voice within that brings joy and peace.

We do not ask for a life of ease, for happiness without alloy. We ask only to be uncomplaining and unafraid. In our darkness be our light, and in our loneliness help us discover the many souls akin to our own. Give us strength to face life with courage, to draw blessing even from its discords and conflicts. Make us understand that life calls us not merely to enjoy the richness of the earth, but to exult in heights gained after the toil of climbing.

Let our darkness be dispelled by Your love, that we may rise above fear and failure, our steps sustained by faith. You give meaning to our days; You are our support and our trust.

שְׁמֵע וּבִרְכוֹתֵיהְ The Shema and Its Blessings

Barekhu

<u>ברכו</u>

בַּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹרָךְ.

Bar-khu et Adonai hahm-vo-rakh.

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבֹרָךְ לְעוֹלָם וְעֶד.

Ba-rukh Adonai hahm-vo-rakh l'o-lahm va-ed

Praise Adonai to whom our praise is due! Praise Adonai to whom our praise is due, now and forever!

Maariv Aravim

<u>מעריב ערבים</u>

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מַעֲרִים עֲרָבִים, בְּחָכְמָה פּוֹתֵחַ שְׁעָרִים, וּבִתְבוּנָה מְשַׁנֶּה עִתִּים, וּמַחֲלִיף אֶת הַוְּמַנִּים, וּמְסַבֵּר אֶת הַכּוֹכְבִים בְּמִשְׁמְרוֹתֵיהֶם בְּרְקִיעַ כִּרְצוֹנוֹ. בּוֹרֵא יוֹם וְלְיְלָה, גּוֹלֵל אוֹר מִפְּנֵי חְשֶׁךְ, וְחְשֶׁךְ מִפְּנֵי אוֹר, וּמַעֲבִיר יוֹם וּמֵבִיא לְיִלָה, וּמַבְדִּיל בֵּין יוֹם וּבֵין לְיְלָה, יְיָ צְבָאוֹת שְׁמוֹ. אֵל חֵי וְקַיָּם, תְּמִיד יִמְלוֹךְ עָלֵינוּ לְעוֹלְם וְעֶד.

Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, e-lo-hay-nu me-lekh ha-o-lahm, a-sher bid-va-ro ma-a-riv a-ra-veem, b'khokh-ma po-tay-akh sh'a-reem, u-vit-vu-nah m'sha-neh ee-teem, u-makh-leef et haz-ma-neem, oom-sa-dayr et ha-ko-kha-veem b'mish-m'ro-tay-hem ba-ra-kee-ya keer-tzo-no. Bo-ray yom va-lai-lah, go-layl or mip-nay kho-shekh v'kho-shekh mip-nay or, u-ma-a-veer yom u-may-vee lai-lah, u-mav-deel bayn yom u-vayn lai-lah, Adonai tz'va-ot sh'mo. Eyl khai v'ka-yam, ta-meed yim-lokh a-lay-nu l'o-lahm va-ed!

בַּרוּךְ אַתַּה יִיַ, הַמַעַרִיב עַרַבִים.

Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, ha-ma-a-reev a-ra-veem.

PRAISED BE OUR ETERNAL GOD, Ruler of the universe, whose word brings on the evening, whose wisdom opens heaven's gates, whose understanding makes the ages pass and the seasons alternate, and whose will controls the stars as they travel through the skies.

You are Creator of day and night, rolling light away from darkness and darkness away from light; You cause day to pass and bring on the night; separating day from night; You command the hosts of heaven! May the living and eternal God rule as always, to the end of time! We praise You, Eternal One, whose word makes evening fall.

AHAVAT OLAM

אַהְבַת עוֹלָם בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךְ אָהַבְּתָּ, תּוֹרָה וּמִצְּוֹת,
חָקִים וּמִשְׁפְּטִים, אוֹתְנוּ לִמַּיְתְּ. עַל־בֵּן יִיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ,
בְּשְׁרְבֵּנוּ וּבְקוּמֵנוּ נְשִׂיחַ בְּחֻקֵּיך, וְנִשְׂמַח בְּדִבְּרֵי תוֹרְתֶךְ
וּבְמִצְוֹתֶיךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. כִּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ וְאְֶׂרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ, וּבְהֶם
נְּהְצָּוֹתְי לְעוֹלָם וְעֶד. בְּי הֵם חַיֵּינוּ וְאְֶׂרֶךְ יָמֵינוּ, וּבְהֶם
נָהְגָּה יוֹמָם וְלְיִלָה. וְאַהְבַתְּךְ אַל תִּסִיר מִמֶּנוּ לְעוֹלְמִים.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ, אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

A-ha-vat o-lahm beyt Yisrael am-kha a-hav-ta, To-rah u-mitz-vot, khu-keem u-mish-pa-teem, o-ta-nu lee-mahd-ta. Al keyn, Adonai e-lo-hay-nu, v'shokh-bey-nu oov-ku-mey-nu na-see-akh b'khu-ke-kha, v'nis-makh v'div-ray To-ra-te-kha oov-mitz-vo-te-kha l'o-lahm va-ed. Kee hem kha-yey-nu v'o-rekh ya-mey-nu, u-va-hem ne-h'geh yo-mahm va-lai-lah. V'a-ha-vat-kha al ta-seer mee-me-nu l'o-la-meem! Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, o-hev a-mo Yisrael.

Unending is Your love for Your people, the House of Israel. Torah and mitzvot, laws and precepts have You taught us. Therefore, Adonai our God, when we lie down and when we rise up we will meditate on Your laws and rejoice in Your Torah and mitzvot forever. Day and night we will reflect on them, for they are our life and the length of our days. Then Your love shall never depart from our hearts! Blessed are You, Adonai, who loves Your people Israel.

IN NATURE'S EBB AND FLOW, God's eternal law abides. When tears dim our vision or grief clouds our understanding, we often lose sight of God's eternal plan.

Yet we know that growth and decay, life and death,

all reveal a divine purpose.

God, who is our support in the struggles of life, is also our hope in death.

We have set God before us and shall not despair.

In God's hands are the souls of all the living and the spirits of all flesh.

Under God's protection we abide, and by God's love are we comforted. O Life of our life, Soul of our soul, shine Your light into our hearts, and fill our spirits with abiding trust in You.

-Union Prayer Book

ַבְּרוּךְ אַתְּה יְיָ, אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, o-hev a-mo Yisrael.

SHEMA שמע

ֿשְׁמַעַ יִשְׂרָאֵל, יִיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יִיָ אֶחֶד.

Sh'ma Yisrael, Adonai E-lo-hey-nu, Adonai E-khad.

ָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כִּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלְם וָעֶד.

Ba-rukh shem k'vod mal-khu-to l'o-lahm va-ed.

Hear, O Israel, Adonai is our God, Adonai is One! Blessed is God's glorious name forever and ever!

V'AHAVTA

ואהבת

וְאָהַרְתָּ אֵת יִיָ אֶלֹהֶיךְ, בְּכְל לְבְרְךְ, וּבְכְל נַפְּשְׁךְ, וּבְכְל נַפְשְׁךְ, וּבְכְל מַצְּוְךְ הַיּוֹם, עַל מְאֹדֶךְ. וְהִיוּ הַדְּבָּוִים הָאֵלֶּה, אֲשֶׁר אֲנֹכִי מְצַוְּךְ הַיּוֹם, עַל לְבָבֶךְ. וְשִׁבְּתְּךְ בְּבֵיתֶךְ, וְדִבַּרְתְּ בְּם, בְּשִׁרְתְּם לְאוֹת עַל וּבְלֶכְתְּךְ בַּבֶּיתֶךְ, וּבְשֶׁרְתָּם עַל מְזְזוֹת בֵּיתֶךְ יְבְיִי וְיִי, וְהְיִיתְם אֵת כְּל מִצְוֹתִי, וִהְיִיתֶם וּבִישְׁעְרֶיךְ. לְמַעַן תִּוְכְּרוּ וַעְשִׁיתָם אֶת כְּל מִצְוֹתִי, וִהְיִיתֶם וְבִּיִּים לֵאלְהִיכֶם. אֲנִי יְיָ אֱלְהֵיכֶם, אֲשֵׁר הוֹצֵאתִי אֶתְכֶם מֵאֶרֵץ מִצְרִים, לְהִיוֹת לְכֶם לֵאלֹהִים, אֲנִי יִיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם. מֵאֶרֵץ מִצְרִים, לְהִיוֹת לְכֶם לֵאלֹהִים, אֲנִי יִיָ אֱלֹהֵיכֶם.

V'a-hav-ta et Adonai eh-lo-he-kha b'khol l'vav-kha oov-khol nahf-sh'kha oov-khol m'o-deh-kha. V'ha-yu ha-d'va-reem ha-ey-leh a-sheyr a-no-khee m'tzav-kha ha-yom al l'va-ve-kha. V'shee-nahn-tahm l'va-ne-kha v'dee-bar-ta bahm b'sheev-t'kha b'vay-teh-kha oov-lekh-t'kha va-deh-rekh oov-shokh-b'kha oov-ku-meh-kha. Ook-shar-tahm l'ot al ya-deh-kha v'ha-yu l'to-ta-fot beyn ay-neh-kha. Ookh-tahv-tahm al m'zu-zot bey-teh-kha oo-vish-a-re-kha. L'ma-an teez-k'ru va-a-see-tem et kol mitz-vo-tai vee-h'yee-tem k'do-sheem ley-lo-hey-khem. A-nee Adonai eh-lo-hey-khem a-sheyr ho-tzay-tee et-khem mey-eh-retz mitz-ra-yeem l'hee-yot la-khem ley-lo-heem. A-nee Adonai eh-lo-hey-khem.

YOU SHALL LOVE ADONAI YOUR GOD with all your heart, with all your strength, and with all your being. Set these words which I command you this day upon your heart. Teach them faithfully to your children; speak of them in your home and on your way, when you lie down and when you rise up. Bind them as a sign upon your hand; let them be a symbol before your eyes; inscribe them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. Be mindful of all My mitzvot and do them, so shall you consecrate yourselves to your God. I am Adonai your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt to be your God. I, Adonai, am your God.

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TRUE AND ENDURING, BELOVED AND PRECIOUS, awesome, good, and beautiful is this eternal teaching.

This truth we hold to be forever certain: the Eternal God is our Ruler. You are the Rock of Jacob, our protecting Shield. You abide through all generations; Your name is Eternal. Your throne stands firm; Your sovereignty and faithfulness are everlasting.

Your words live and endure, true and precious to all eternity.

Adonai our God, You redeemed us from Egypt;

You set us free from the house of bondage.

For this the people who felt Your love sang songs of praise to You:

The living God, high and exalted, mighty and awesome,

Who humbles the proud and raises the lowly, who frees the captive and redeems the oppressed,

who is the Answer to all who cry out to You.

MEE KHAMOKHA

מי כמכה

מִי כָמְכָה בָּאֵלִים יְיָ, מִי כָּמְכָה נָאְדָּר בַּקְּׂדֶשׁ, נוֹרָא תִהִילֹת, עִשֵּׁה פֶּלֶא.

Mee kha-mo-kha ba-ey-leem, Adonai? Mee ka-mo-kha, ne-dar ba-ko-desh, no-ra t'hee-lot, o-seh feh-leh?

מַלְכוּתְדְּ רָאוּ בָנֶיךְ בּוֹקֵעַ יָם לִפְנֵי משֶׁה וּמִרְיָם: "זֶה אֵלִיוּ" עָנוּ וְאָמְרוּ: "יְיָ יִמְלוֹךְ לְעוֹלְטֶם וְעֶדוּ"

Mal-khoot-kha ra-u va-ne-kha, bo-key-a yam lif-ney Mo-sheh oo-Mir-yam. "Zeh ey-lee!" a-nu v'ahm-ru, "Adonai yim-lokh l'o-lahm va-ed!"

ּוְנֶאֲמֵר: כִּי פָּדָה יְיָ אֶת יַעֲקֹב, וּגְאָלוֹ מִיֵּד חְזָק מִמֶּנוּ. בַּרוּך אַתַּה יִיָ, גָאַל יִשִּׂרָאֵל.

V'ne-e-mar: "Kee fa-dah Adonai et Ya-a-kov, oo-g'a-lo mee-yad kha-zahk mee-meh-nu." Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, ga-al Yisrael.

Who is like You, O God, among the gods people worship? Who is like You, majestic in holiness, awesome in splendor, doing wonders? Your children witnessed Your sovereign power, the sea splitting before Moses and Miriam. "This is my God!" they sang. "Adonai will reign forever and ever!" As You redeemed Israel and saved us from arms stronger than our own, so may You redeem all the oppressed and persecuted. Praised are You, Adonai, Redeemer of Israel.

HASHKIVENU/OH GUIDE MY STEPS (TAUBMAN, WINSTON)

השכיבנו

ָזְשְׁכִּיבֵנוּ יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ לְשָׁלוֹם,

וְהַצְמִידֵנוּ שׁוֹמְרֵנוּ לְחַיִּים.

Hash-kee-vey-nu, Adonai eh-lo-hey-nu, l'sha-lom, V'ha-a-mee-dey-nu, shom-ray-nu, l'kha-yeem.

Oh guide my steps and help me find my way.

I need Your shelter now.

Rock me in Your arms and guide my steps.

And help me make this day a song of praise to You.

Rock me in Your arms and guide my steps.

וּפְרוֹשׁ עָלֵינוּ סָכַּת שְׁלוּמֶךְ.

Oof-ros a-ley-nu su-kat sh'lo-me-kha.

Help us, O God, to lie down in peace, and awaken us each morning to renewed life and strength. Spread Your shelter of peace over us.

תְּפַלָּה TEFILLAH

AVOT V'IMAHOT

אבות ואמהות

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיְ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ, אֱלֹהֵי אֲבְרְהָם, אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק, וֵאלֹהֵי יַעְקֹב. אֱלֹהֵי שָׂרָה, אֱלֹהֵי רְבְקָה, אֱלֹהֵי רְחֵל וֵאלֹהֵי לֵאָה. הָאֵל הַגְּּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר רְבְקָה, אֱלֹהִי רְחֵל וֵאלֹהֵי לֵאָה. הָאֵל הַגְּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא, אֵל עֶלְיוֹן, גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים, וְקוֹנֵה הַכּּל, וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת וְאִמְּהוֹת, וּמֵבִיא גְאֻלָה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהְבָר. מֶלֶךְ עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמְגַן. בְּרוּךְ אַתְּה יְיָ, מְגֵן אַבְרָהָם וְעֶזְרַת שְׂרָה.

Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, eh-lo-hey-nu vey-lo-hey a-vo-tey-nu v'ee-mo-tey-nu: eh-lo-hey Av-ra-ham, eh-lo-hey Yitz-khak, vey-lo-hey Ya-a-kov. Eh-lo-hey Sa-rah, eh-lo-hey Riv-kah, eh-lo-hey Ra-khel vey-lo-hey Ley-ah. Ha-eyl ha-ga-dol ha-gee-bor v'ha-no-rah, eyl el-yon, go-meyl kha-sa-deem to-veem v'ko-ney ha-kol, v'zo-kher khas-dey ah-vot v'ee-ma-hot, u'mey-vee g'u-lah liv-ney v'ney-hem, l'ma-an sh'mo b'a-ha-vah. Me-lekh o-zeyr u-mo-shee-a u-ma-geyn. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, ma-geyn Av-ra-ham v'ez-rat Sa-rah.

Praised be our God, the God of our fathers and our mothers: God of Abraham, God of Isaac, and God of Jacob; God of Sarah, God of Rebekah, God of Leah and God of Rachel; great, mighty, and awesome God, God supreme. Ruler of all the living, Your ways are ways of love. You remember the faithfulness of our ancestors, and in love bring redemption to their children's children for the sake of Your name. You are our Sovereign and our Help, our Redeemer and our Shield. We praise You, Eternal One, Shield of Abraham, Protector of Sarah.

GEVUROT

גבורות

אַתְה גִּבּוֹר לְעוֹלְם אֲדֹנָי, מְחֵיֵּה הַכֹּל אֲתְה, רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ.

A-tah gee-bor l'o-lam, Adonai, m'kha-yey ha-kol a-tah, rav l'ho-shee-ah.

. בּוֹרֵיד הַגּשִׁיב הַרְרַחַ וּמוֹרִיד הַגּּשְׁים (Simḥat Torah to Pesakh)

Mah-sheev ha-roo-akh oo-mo-reed ha-ga-shem.

י בּוֹרִיד הַטַּל.

Mo-reed ha-tahl.

מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד, מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים, סוֹמֵך נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים, וּמְקַיֵּם אֲמוּנְתוֹ לִישׁנִי עָפָר. מִי כָמְוֹךְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת וּמִי דְוֹמֶה לְּךְ, מֶלֶךְ לִישׁנִי עָפָר. מִי כָמְוֹךְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת וּמִי דְוֹמֶה לְּךָ, מֶלֶךְ מֵמִית וּמְחַיֶּה וּמַצְמְיחַ יְשׁוּעָה. וְנָאָמָן אַתָּה לְהַחְיוֹת הַכֹּל. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ, מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל.

M'khal-keyl kha-yeem b'khe-sed, m'kha-yey ha-kol b'ra-kha-meem ra-beem. So-meykh nof-leem, v'ro-feh kho-leem, u-ma-teer a-soo-reem, oom-ka-yeym eh-moo-na-to lee-shey-ney a-far. Mee kha-mo-kha ba-al g'voo-rot, u-mee do-meh lakh, me-lekh mey-meet oom-kha-yey u-matz-mee-akh y'shoo-ah? V'ne-eh-mahn a-tah l'ha-kha-yot ha-kol. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, m'kha-yay ha-kol.

ETERNAL IS YOUR MIGHT, O God; all life is Your gift; great is Your power to save! With love You sustain the living, with great compassion give life to all. You send help to the falling and healing to the sick; You bring freedom to the captive and keep faith with those who sleep in the dust. Who is like You? Who is Your equal, God of life and death, Source of salvation? Blessed are You, the Source of life.

Woodlands Community Temple

KEDUSHAH

קדושה

אַתָּה קָדוֹשׁ וְשִׁמְךּ קָדוֹשׁ וּקְדוֹשִׁים בְּכְל יוֹם יְהַלְּלְוּךְ, פֵּלָה. בָּרוּךְ אַתַּה יִיָ, הָאֵל הַקַּדוֹשׁ.

A-tah ka-dosh v'shim-kha ka-dosh, ook-do-sheem b'khol yom y'ha-l'lu-kha se-lah. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, he-eyl ha-ka-dosh.

YOU ARE HOLY, Your name is holy, and Your holy ones declare Your glory day by day. Blessed are You, Adonai, the Holy God.

<u>Binah</u>

בינה

אַתָּה חוֹנֵן לְאָדָם דַעַת, וּמְלַמֵּד לֶאֶנוֹשׁ בִּינָה. חְנֵּנוּ מֵאִתְּךְ חָכִמָּה, בִּינָה וִדְעַת. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ, חוֹנֵן הַדְּעַת.

A-tah kho-nein l'a-dahm da-at oom-la-meid le-e-nosh bee-nah. Kho-nei-nu mei-eet-kha khokh-mah, bee-nah v'da-at. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, kho-nen ha-da-at.

YOU GRACE humans with knowledge and teach mortals understanding. Graciously share with us Your insight, wisdom, and knowledge. Blessed are You, Adonai, who graces us with knowledge.

TESHUVAH

נשובר

הֲשִׁיבֵנוּ לְתוֹרָתֶךּ, וְקְרְבֵנוּ לַעֲבוֹדְתֶךּ, וְהַחְזִירֵנוּ בִּתְשׁוּבָה שְׁלֵמָה לְפָנֶיךּ. בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ, הָרוֹצֶה בִּתִשׁוּבַה.

Ha-shee-vei-nu l'To-ra-te-kha v'kar-vei-nu la-a-vo-da-te-kha v'ha-kha-zee-rei-nu bit'shu-vah shlei-mah l'fa-ne-kha. Ba-ruck a-tah, Adonai, ha-ro-tzeh bit'shu-vah.

RETURN US to Your Torah and draw us to Your service, in complete repentance restore us to Your presence. Blessed are You, Adonai, who welcomes repentance.

S'LIKHAH

שליחו

סְלַח לְנוּ כִּי חָטָאנוּ, מְחַל לְנוּ כִּי פָּשֶׁעְנוּ, כִּי מוֹחֵל וְסוֹלֵחַ אֶתָה. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, הַמַּרְבֶּה לִסְלְחַ. S'lakh lah-nu kee kha-ta-nu, m'khal la-nu kee fa-sha-nu, kee mo-kheil v'so-lei-akh a-tah. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, ha-mar-beh lis'lo-akh.

FORGIVE US for we have sinned, pardon us for we have transgressed, for You pardon and forgive. Blessed are You, Adonai, abounding in forgiveness.

GE'ULAH

<u>גאולה</u>

רְאֵה בְעָנְיֵנוּ וְרֵיבָה רִיבֵנוּ, וּגְאָלֵנוּ מְהֵרָה לְמַעַן שְׁמֶךּ, כִּי גּוֹאֵל חָזָק אֲתָה. בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ, גּוֹאֵל יִשְׂרָאֵל.

R'eih v'on-yei-nu v'ree-vah ree-vei-nu, oog'a-lei-nu m'hei-rah l'ma-an sh'me-kha, kee go-eil kha-zak a-tah. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, Go-eil Yis-ra-el.

LOOK UPON our affliction and make our struggles Your own. Redeem us swiftly and fully for Your Name's sake, for You are the mighty redeemer. Blessed are You, Adonai, Redeemer of Israel.

R'FUAH

רפואה

ְרְפָּאֵנוּ יְיָ וְנַרְפֵּא, הוֹשִׁיעֵנוּ וְנִוְּשֵׁעָה, וְהַעְּלֵה רְפוּאָה שְׁלֵמָה לְכָל מַכּוֹתֵינוּ, וּלְכָל תַּחֲלוּאֵנוּ, וּלְכָל מַכְאוֹבֵנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, רוֹפֵא הַחוֹלִים.

R'fa-ei-nu, Adonai, v'nei-ra-fei, ho-shee-ei-nu v'ni-va-shei-ah, v'ha-a-leih r'fu-ah sh'lei-mah l'khol ma-ko-tei-nu, ool'khol ta-kha-lu-ei-nu, ool'khol ma-kho-vei-nu. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, ro-fei ha-kho-lim.

HEAL US and let us be healed; save us and let us be saved. Grant full healing to our every illness, wound and pain. Blessed are You, Adonai, who heals the sick.

BIRKAT HASHANIM

<u>ברכת השנים</u>

בְּרֵךְ עָלֵינוּ יְיָ אֶת הַשְּׁנְה הַוֹּאת וְאֶת כְּל מִינֵי תְבוּאָתְהּ לְטוֹכָה. וְתֵן בְּרָכָה עַל פְּנֵי הָאֲדְמָה, וְשַׂבְּעֵנוּ מִטוּכֶךְ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, מְבָרֵךְ הַשְּׁנִים.

Ba-reikh a-lei-nu et ha-sha-nah ha-zot v'et kol mee-nei t'voo-a-tah l'to-vah. V'tein b'ra-kha al p'nei ha-a-da-mah, v'sahb-ei-nu mi-tu-ve-kha. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, m'va-reikh ha-sha-nim. ADONAI our God, bless this our year and its abundant harvest for good. Grant blessing throughout the earth and satisfy us with Your goodness. Blessed are You, Adonai, who blesses the year.

KHERUT

<u>חרות</u>

תְּקַע בְּשׁוֹפָר גָּדוֹל לְחֵרוּתֵנוּ, וְשָׂא נֵס גָדוֹל לַעֲשׁוּקֵנוּ, וְקוֹל דְרוֹר יִשָּׁמֵע בְּאַרְבַּע כַּנְפוֹת הָאֶרֶץ. בָּרוּךְ אַתְּה יְיָ, פּוֹרֵה עֵשׁוּקִים.

T'ka b'sho-far ga-dol l'khei-ru-tei-nu, v'sa neis ga-dol la-a-shoo-kei-nu, v'kol d'ror yi-sha-ma b'ar-ba kahn-fot ha-a-retz. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, po-deh a-shoo-keem.

SOUND the great shofar to proclaim our freedom, raise a great banner for our oppressed and let the voice of liberty be heard in the four corners of the earth. Blessed are You, Adonai, who redeems the oppressed.

MISHPAT

משפט

עַל שׁוֹפְטֵי אֶרֶץ שְׁפּוֹךְ רוּחֲדְ, וְהַדְרִיכֵם בְּמִשְׁפְּטֵי צִּדְקֶדְ, וּמְלוֹךְ עָלֵינוּ אַתָּה לְבַדְּךָ, בְּחֶסֶד וּבְרַחֲמִים. בְּרוּךְ אַתְּה יִיָּ, אוֹהֵב צִדְקָה וּמִשִּׁפָּט.

Ahl shof-tei e-retz sh'fokh roo-kha-kha v'ha-dree-kheim b'mish-p'tei tzid-ke-kha, oom-lokh a-lei-nu a-tah l'vad-kha, b'khe-sed oov'ra-kha-mim. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, o-hev tz'da-kah oo-mish-paht.

POUR Your spirit upon the rulers of all lands; guide them that they may govern justly. O may You alone rule over us in steadfast love and compassion. Blessed are You, Adonai, who loves righteousness and justice.

AL HARISH'AH

<u>נל הרשעו</u>

ּוְלָרִשְׁעָה אַל תְּהִי תִקְנָה, וְהַטוֹעִים אֵלֶיךְ יָשְׁוּבוּ, וּמַלְכוּת זְדוֹן מְהַרָה תְּשָׁבֵּר. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, שׁוֹבֵר רֶשְׁע מִן הָאָרֶץ.

V'la-rish-ah ahl t'hee tik-vah, v'ha-to-eem ei-le-kha ya-shoo-voo, oo-mal-khut za-don m'hei-rah t'sha-beir. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, sho-veir re-sha min ha-a-retz.

Y'SHUAH

ישועה

אֶמֶת מֵאֶרֶץ תִּצְמָח וְצֶדֶק מִשְּׁמֵים נִשְׁקָף, וְקֶרֶן עּמְּךְ תָּרוּם בִּישׁוּעָתֶך, כִּי לִישׁוּעָתְךּ קּוְינוּ כְּל הַיּוֹם. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, מַצְמִיחַ קֶרֶן יְשׁוּעָה.

E-met mei-e-retz titz-makh v'tze-dek mee-sha-ma-yim nish-kaf, v'ke-ren ahm-kha ta-room bee-shu-a-te-kha, kee lee-shu-aht-kha kee-vee-nu kol ha-yom. Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, mahtz-mee-akh ke-ren y'shu-ah.

TRUTH springs up from the earth; justice looks down from the heavens. May Your people's strength flourish through Your deliverance for which we continually hope. Blessed are You, Adonai, who causes salvation to flourish.

SHOMEIA T'FILAH

שומע תפילה

שְׁמַע קוֹלֵנוּ, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, חוּס וְרַחֵם עָלֵינוּ, וְקַבֵּל בְּרַחֲמִים וּבְרָצוֹן אֶת תְּפִּלְתֵנוּ, כִּי אֵל שׁוֹמֵעַ תְּפִּלוֹת וְתַחֲנוּנִים אֶתָּה. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, שׁוֹמֵעַ תְּפִּלְה.

Sh'ma ko-lei-nu, Adonai E-lo-hei-nu, khoos v'ra-kheim a-lei-nu, v'ka-beil b'ra-kha-mim oov'ra-tzon et t'fee-la-tei-nu, kee El sho-mei-a t'fee-lot v'ta-kha-nu-nim a-tah. Ba-rukh a-tah, Adonai, sho-mei-a t'fee-lah.

HEAR our voice, Adonai our God, have compassion upon us and accept our prayer with favor and mercy, for You are a God who hears prayer and supplication. Blessed is Adonai, who hearkens to prayer.

AVODAH

נבודה

רְצֵה, יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ, בְּעַמְּךְ יִשְׂרָאֵל וּתְפִּלְּתָם בְּאַהֲכָה תְּקַבֵּל,
וּתְהִי לְרָצוֹן תָּמִיד עֲבוֹדַת יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמֶּךְ. אֵל קְרוֹב לְכָל
קֹרְאִיו, פְּנֵה אֶל עֲבָדֶיךְ וְחְנֵּנוּ, שְׁפוֹךְ רוּחֲךְ עָלֵינוּ,
וְתֶחֲזֶינָה עֵינֵינוּ בְּשׁוּבְךְ לְצִיּוֹן בְּרַחֲמִים. בְּרוּךְ אַתְּה יִיָ,
הַמַּחֲזִיר שָׁכִינַתוֹ לְצִיּוֹן.

R'tzey, Adonai eh-lo-hey-nu, b'ahm-kha Yisrael oot-fee-la-tahm b'a-ha-vah t'ka-beyl, oot-hee l'rah-tzon ta-meed a-vo-daht Yisrael ah-me-kha. Eyl ka-rov l'khol kor-ahv, p'ney eyl ah-va-de-kha v'kho-ney-nu, sh'fokh roo-kha-kha ah-ley-nu, v'te-khe-zeh-nah ey-ney-nu b'shoov-kha l'tzee-yon b'ra-kha-meem.

Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, ha-ma-kha-zeer sh'khee-na-to l'tzee-yon.

FIND FAVOR, Adonai our God, with Your people Israel and accept their prayer in love. May the worship of Your people Israel always be acceptable. God who is near to all who call, turn lovingly to Your servants. Pour out Your spirit upon us. Let our eyes behold Your loving return to Zion. Blessed are You, Adonai, whose Presence returns to Zion.

HODA'AH

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מוֹדִים אֲנַחְנוּ לָך, שָׁאַתָּה הוּא, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. צוּר חַיֵּינוּ, מְגַן יִשְׁעֵנוּ, אַתָּה הוּא לְדוֹר וְדוֹר. נוֹדֶה לְּךְ וּנְסַפֵּר תְּהִלְּעֶךְ. עַל חַיֵּינוּ הַמְּסוּרִים לְדוֹר וְדוֹר. נוֹדֶה לְךְ וּנְסַפֵּר תְּהִלְּעֶךְ. עַל חַיֵּינוּ הַמְּסוּרִים בְּיָדֶר, וְעַל נִשְׁמוֹתֵינוּ הַפְּקוּדוֹת לְךְ, וְעַל נִסֶּיךְ שֶׁבְּכְל יוֹם עִבְּיֹל נִשְׁל נִפְּלְאוֹתֵיךְ וְטוֹבוֹתֵיךְ שֶׁבְּכְל עֵת, עֲבֶב וְבְקָר וְצְלְנִיךְ וְטוֹבוֹתֵיךְ שֶׁבְּכְל עֵת, עֲבֶב וְבְקָר וְצְהְרִים. הַטוֹב כִּי לֹא כְלוּ רַחֲמֶיךְ, וְהַמְרַחֵם כִּי לֹא תַמוּ חַסְּרֵיךְ מֵעוֹלֵם קְנִינוּ לָךְ.

Mo-deem a-nakh-nu lakh, sha-a-ta hoo, Adonai E-lo-hay-nu vay-lo-hay a-vo-tay-nu v'ee-mo-tay-nu l'o-lahm va-ed. Tzur kha-yay-nu, ma-gayn yish-ay-nu, a-ta hoo l'dor va-dor. No-deh l'kha oon-sa-payr t'hee- la-te-kha. Al kha-yay-nu hahm-soo-reem b'ya-de-kha, v'al nish-mo-tay-nu hahp-ku-dot lakh, v'al ni-se-kha she-b'khol yom ee-mah-nu, v'al nif-l'oh-te-kha v'to-vo-te-kha she-b'khol ayt, e-rev va-vo-kayr v'tzo-ho-ra-yim. Ha-tov kee lo kha-lu ra-kha-me-kha, v'hahm-ra-khaym kee lo tah-mu kha-sa-de-kha may-o-lahm kee-vee-nu lakh.

וְעֵל כָּלְם יִתְבָּרֵך וְיִתְרוֹמֵם שִׁמְךּ, מַלְבֵּנוּ, תְּמִיד לְעוֹלְם וְעֵד. וְכֹל הַחַיִּים יוֹדְוּךְ פֶּלְה, וִיהַלְלוּ אֶת שִׁמְךְ בָּאֲמֶת, הָאֵל יְשׁוּעָתֵנוּ וְעָזְרָתֵנוּ סֶלְה. בָּרוּךְ אַתִּה יְיָ, הַטּוֹב שִׁמְךְ וּלְךְ נָאֶה לְהוֹדוֹת.

V'al ku-lahm yit-ba-rakh v'yit-ro-mahm shim-kha, mal-kay-nu, ta-meed l'o-lahm va-ed. V'khol ha-kha-yeem yo-du-kha se-lah, vee-ha-l'lu et shim-kha be-e-met, ha-ayl y'shu-a-tay-nu v'ez-ra-tay-nu se-lah. Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, ha-tov shim-kha ool-kha na-eh l-ho-dot.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE with thanks that You are Adonai, our God and the God of our ancestors, forever. You are the Rock of our lives, and the Shield of our

salvation in every generation. Let us thank You and praise You — for our lives which are in Your hand, for our souls which are in Your care, for Your miracles that we experience every day and for Your wondrous deeds and favors at every time of day: evening, morning and noon. O Good One, whose mercies never end, O Compassionate One, whose kindness never fails, we forever put our hope in You. For all these things, O Sovereign, let Your Name be forever praised and blessed. O God, our Redeemer and Helper, let all who live affirm You and praise Your Name in truth. Blessed are You, Adonai, Your Name is Goodness, and You are worthy of thanksgiving.

SHALOM RAV

שלום רב

שָׁלוֹם רָב עַל יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמְּךְ תְּשִׂים לְעוֹלְם.

Sha-lom rav al Yisrael am-kha ta-seem l'o-lahm.

פִּי אַתְּה הוּא מֶלֶךְ אָדוֹן לְכָל הַשָּׁלוֹם.

Kee a-tah hu me-lekh ah-don l'khol ha-sha-lom.

וְטוֹב בְּעֵינֶיךְ לְבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמְּךְ יִשְׂרָאֵל,

ּבְּכָל עֵת וּבְכָל שָׁעָה בִּשְּׁלוּמֶךְ.

V'tov b'ey-ne-kha l'va-rekh et am-kha Yisrael b'khol eyt oov-khol sha-ah bish-lo-me-kha.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ, הַמְבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּשָּׁלוֹם.

Ba-rukh a-tah Adonai, hahm-va-rekh et a-mo Yisrael ba-sha-lom.

GRANT ABUNDANT peace to Israel Your people forever, for You are the sovereign God of all peace. May it please You to bless Your people Israel in every season and moment with Your peace. Blessed are You, Adonai, who blesses Your people Israel with peace.

SIM SHALOM

ברכת שכום

שִׁים שָׁלֹּוֹם טוֹבָה וּבְרָכָה, חֵן וָחֶסֶד וְרַחֲמִים, עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל עַמֶּךְ.

Sim sha-lom to-va oov-ra-kha, khayn va-khe-sed v'ra-kha-meem, a-ley-nu v'al kol Yisrael ah-me-kha.

בָּרְכֵנוּ, יוֹצְרֵנוּ, כֻּלֵנוּ כְּאֶחָד בְּאוֹר פָּנֶיךְ, כִּי בְאוֹר פָּנֶיךְ נָתַתִּ לֵנוּ, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, תּוֹרַת חַיִּים וְאַהֲבַת חֱסֶד, וּצְדְקָה

וּבְרָכָה וְרַחֲמִים וְחַיִּים וְשָׁלוֹם, וְטוֹב בְּעֵינֶיךְ לְבָרֵךְ אֶת עַמִּךְ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּכָל עֵת וּבְכָל שָׁעָה בִּשְׁלוֹמֶךְ.

Bar-khey-nu yotz-ray-nu, ku-la-nu k'e-khad, b'or pa-ne-kha, kee v'or pa-ne-kha na-ta-ta la-nu, Adonai E-lo-hey-nu. To-rat kha-yim v'a-ha-vat khe-sed, ootz-da-kah oov-ra-khah v'ra-kha-meem, v'kha-yeem v'sha-lom. V'tov b'ey-ne-kha l'va-rekh et ahm-kha Yisrael, v'et kol ha-a-meem b'khol eyt oov-khol sha-ah bish-lo-me-kha.

בָּרוּךְ אַתְּה יְיָ, הַמְבְרֵךְ אֶת עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל בַּשָּׁלוֹם.

Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, hahm-va-rekh et a-mo Yisrael ba-sha-lom.

GRANT PEACE, goodness and blessing, grace, kindness, and mercy, to us and to all Your people Israel. Bless us our Creator, all of us together, through the light of Your Presence. Truly through the light of Your Presence, Adonai our God, You gave us a Torah of life — the love of kindness, justice and blessing, mercy, life, and peace. May You see fit to bless Your people Israel, at all times, at every hour, with Your peace. Praised are You Adonai, who blesses Your people Israel with peace.

תְּפִלַת הַלֶב Silent Prayer

YIH'YU L'RATZON

יהיו לרצון יִהְיוּ לְרָצוֹן אִמְרֵי פִּי וְהֶגְיוֹן לִבִּי לְפָּנֶיךְ, יִיָּ צוּרִי וְגוֹאֲלִי.

Yih'yu l'rah-tzon eem-rey fee v'heg-yon lee-bee l'fah-ne-kha, Adonai tzu-ree v'go-ah-lee.

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart, be acceptable in Your sight, Adonai, my Rock and my Redeemer.

OSEH SHALOM

<u>עושה שלום</u>

עֹשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמִיו, הוּא יַעֲשֶׂה שָׁלוֹם עָלֵינוּ, וְעַל כְּל־יִשְׂרָאֵל וְעַל כְּל־יוֹשְׁבֵי תֵבֵל וְאִמְרוּ: אָמֵן.

O-seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav, hu ya-a-seh sha-lom a-ley-nu v'al kol Yisrael v'al kol yosh-vei te-vel, v'eem-ru a-meyn.

May the One who makes peace in the heavens above cause peace to descend upon us, all Israel, and all who inhabit the earth. Amen.

AT A HOUSE OF MOURNING

WE ARE ASSEMBLED WITH OUR FRIENDS in the shadow that has fallen on this home. We raise our voices together in prayer to the Source of life, asking for comfort and strength.

We need light when gloom darkens our home; to whom shall we look, if not to the Creator of light? We need fortitude and courage when pain and loss assail us; where shall we find them, if not in the thought of the One who preserves all that is good from destruction?

Who among us has not passed through trials and bereavements? Some bear fresh wounds in their hearts, and therefore feel more keenly the kinship of sorrow; others, whose days of mourning are more remote, still recall the comfort that sympathy brought to their sorrowing hearts.

All things pass; all that lives must die. All that we prize is but lent to us, and the time comes when we must surrender it. We are travelers on the same road that leads to the same end.

As in the world around us, so too in human life: darkness is followed by light, and sorrow by consolation. Life and death are twins; grief and hope walk hand in hand. Although we cannot know what lies beyond the body's death, we put our trust in the undying Spirit that calls us into life and abides to all eternity.

<u>PSALM 23</u>

מִזְמוֹר לְדָוִד. יְיָ רֹעִי, לֹא אֶחְסָר. בּּנְאוֹת דֶּשֶׁא יַרְבִּיצֵנִי,
עַל מֵי מְנָחוֹת יְנַהַלֵּנִי, נַפְּשִׁי יְשׁוֹבֵב. יַנְחֵנִי בְמַעְגְלֵי צֶדֶק
לְמַעַן שְׁמוֹ. גַם כִּי אֵלֵך בְּגִיא צַלְמְנֶת לֹא אִירָא רְע, כִּי
אַתְּה עִמְדִי. שִׁבְתְּךְ וּמִשְׁעַנְּתֶּךְ הֵמָה יְנַחַמֻנִי. תַּעַרֹךְ לְפָנֵי
שֶׁלְחָן נָגֶד צֹרְרָי. דִּשַּׁנְתְּ בַשֶּׁמֶן רֹאשִׁי כּוֹסִי רְוָיָה. אַךְ טוֹב
וָחֶסֶד יִרְדְפוּנִי כְּל יְמֵי חַיִי, וְשַׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית יְיָ לְאֹּרֶךְ יָמִים.

God is my shepherd, I shall not want. You make me lie down in green pastures. You lead me beside still waters. You restore my soul, and lead me in the path of

righteousness for the sake of Your name. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me. With rod and staff You comfort me. You have set a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You have anointed my head with oil. My cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in Your house forever.

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At this hour, especially, the blessed presence of family and friends brings us comfort and strength. It says to us: "Be sure that love, the spring of life, abides."

May all who mourn take heart, as they remember the goodness they have given and received. And when the days of their mourning are ended, may the memory of their loved ones come to be a benediction.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָּ, מְחַיֵּה הַכֹּל.

Ba-rukh a-ta Adonai, m'kha-yei ha-kol. Praised be the Eternal Source of life.

EL MALE RAKHAMIM

אל מלא רחמים

אֵל מְלֵא רַחֲמִים שׁוֹכֵן בַּמְּרוֹמִים. הַמְצֵא מְנוּחָה נְכוֹנְה תַּחַת כַּנְפֵּי הַשְּׁכִינָה. עִם קְדוֹשִׁים וּטְהוֹרִים כְּזוֹהֵר הָרְקִיעַ מַזְהִירִים, אֶת נִשְׁמַת שֶׁהָלַךְ לְעוֹלְמוֹ (שֶׁהְלְכָה לְעוֹלְמָה). בַּעַל הְרַחֲמִים יַסְתִּירֶהוּ (יַסְתִּירֶהְ) בְּמֵעֶר כְּנָפְיוֹ לְעוֹלְמִים. וְיִצְרוֹר בִּצְרוֹר הַחַיִּים אֶת נִשְׁמְתוֹ (נִשְׁמְתה). יְיָ הוּא נַחֲלָתוֹ (נַחֲלְתְה) וְיִנְוּחַ (וִתְנִוּח) בִּשָׁלוֹם עַל מִשְׁכָּבוֹ (מִשְׁכָּבה). וְנֹאמַר: אְמֵן:

Eil ma-lei ra-kha-mim, sho-khein bam-ro-mim, ham-tzei me-nu-kha n'kho-na ta-khat kan-fei hash-khi-na, im k'do-shim u-t'ho-rim k'zo-har ha-ra-ki-a maz-hi-rim, et nish-mat she-ha-lakh l'o-la-mo (she-hal-kha l'o-la-mah). Ba-al ha-ra-kha-mim yas-ti-rei-hu (yas-ti-rei-ha) b'sei-ter k'na-fav l'o-la-mim, v'yitz-ror bitz-ror ha-kha-yim et nish-ma-to (nish-ma-tah). Adonai hu nakh-la-to (nakh-la-tah). V'ya-nu-akh (v'ta-nu-akh) b'sha-lom al mish-ka-vo (mish-ka-vah). V'no-mar: A-men.

O GOD, FULL OF COMPASSION, eternal spirit of the universe, grant perfect rest under the wings of Your presence to our loved one who has entered eternity. Source of mercy, let him/her find refuge forever in the shadow of Your wings, and let his/her soul be bound up in the bond of eternity. Be his/her inheritance, and may he/she rest in peace. Amen.

ALENU

<u>עלינו</u>

עָלֵינוּ לְשַׁבֵּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכּּל, לָתֵת גְּדָלְּה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית, שֶׁלֹּא עָשֶׂנוּ כְּגוֹיֵי הָאֲרָצוֹת, וְלֹא שָׁמְנוּ כְּמִשְׁפְּחוֹת הָאֲדָמָה, שֶׁלֹּא שָׁם חֶלְקֵנוּ כָּהֶם, וְגֹרָלֵנוּ כְּכָל הֲמוֹנָם.

A-ley-nu l'sha-bey-akh la-a-don ha-kol, la-teyt g'doo-lah l'yo-tzeyr b'rey- sheet, she-lo a-sa-nu k'go-yey ha-a-ra-tzot, v'lo sa-ma-noo k'mish-p'khot ha-a-da-mah; she-lo sahm khel-key-nu ka-hem, v'go-ra-ley-nu k'khol ha-mo-nam.

וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים, לִפְנֵי מֶלֶך מַלְכֵי הַמְּלְכִים, הַקְּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּךְ הוּא.

Va-a-nakh-nu kor-eem u-mish-ta-kha-veem u-mo-deem lif-ney me-lekh mal-khey hahm-la-kheem, ha-ka-dosh ba-rukh hu.

It is our duty to praise God, ascribing greatness to God who formed the world in the beginning, for God did not make us like the others of all lands. God gave us a portion like no other. We bow in reverence and thanksgiving before the Ruler of rulers, the Holy One of Blessing.

<u>BAYOM HAHU</u>

ְוָנֶאֲמַר: וְהָיָה יְיָ לְמֶלֶךְ עַל כְּל הָאֲרֶץ. בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא יִהְיֶה יְיָ אֶחָד, וּשְׁמוֹ אֶחָד.

V'ne-e-mar: "V'ha-ya Adonai l'me-lekh al kol ha-a-retz; ba-yom ha-hu yi-h'yeh Adonai e-khad u-sh'mo E-khad."

It has been said: "God shall reign all over the earth. On that day, You shall be One and Your name shall be One."

WHEN CHERISHED TIES are broken, and the chain of love is shattered, only trust and the strength of faith can lighten the heaviness of the heart. At times, the pain of separation seems more than we can bear; but love and understanding can help us pass through the darkness toward the light.

Out of affliction the Psalmist learned the law of God. And in truth, grief is a great teacher, when it sends us back to serve and bless the living. We learn how

to counsel and comfort those who, like ourselves, are bowed with sorrow. We learn when to keep silence in their presence, and when a word will assure them of our love and concern.

Thus, even when they are gone, the departed are with us, moving us to live as, in their higher moments, they themselves wished to live. We remember them now; they live in our hearts; they are an abiding blessing.

KADDISH קדיש יתום

> יָתִגַּדַל וְיִתְקַדַשׁ שָׁמֵה רַבַּא. בִּעַלְמַא דִּי בִרָא כִּרְעוּתָה, וֹיַמִלִיךְ מַלכוּתָהּ, בִּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבִיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשִּׂרָאֵל, בַּעִגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב וִאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Yit-ga-dal v'yit-ka-dash sh'mey ra-ba b'al-ma dee v'ray kheer-u-tey, v'yahm-leekh mal-khu-tev b'kha-yev-khon oov-yo-mey-khon oov-kha-yev d'khol beyt Yisrael, ba-a-ga-la 00-viz-man ka-reev, v-eem-ru: A-men.

ָיָהָא שָׁמֶה רַבַּא מִבַרַך לְעַלָם וּלְעַלְמֵי עַלְמַיָּא.

Y'hey sh'mey ra-ba m'vo-rakh l'a-lam ool-al-mey al-ma-ya.

יִתבֶּרֶדְ וִיִשִּׁתַבַּח, וִיִתפָּאַר וִיִתרוֹמַם וִיִתנַשֵּא, וִיִתהַדֵּר וְיִתְעַכֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵה דְּקָדְשָׁא, בְּרִידְ הוּא. לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל ָבָּרְכַתָא וִשִּׁירַתָא, תַּשִּׁבִּחָתָא וְנֵחֲמָתָא, דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְכָא,

Yit-ba-rakh v'yish-ta-bakh v'yit-pa-ar v'yit-ro-mahm v'yit-na-sey, v'yit-ha-dar v'yit-ah-leh v'yit-ha-lal sh'mey d'kood-sha, b'rikh hu. L'ey-la min kol bir-kha-ta v'shee-ra-ta, toosh-b'kha-ta v'ne-khe-ma-ta da-a-mee-rahn b'al-ma, v'eem-ru: A-men.

> יָהֵא שִׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שִׁמַיָּא, וְחַיִּים עָלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אַמֶן.

Y'hey sh'lah-mah ra-ba min sh'ma-yah v'kha-yeem a-ley-nu v'al kol Yisrael, v'eem-ru: A-men.

> עשה שַׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמֵיו, הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שַׁלוֹם עַלֵינוּ וְעַל כַּל יִשְׂרַאֵל וִעַל כַּל יוֹשְׁבֵי תֵבֵל וְאִמְרוּ: אָמֵן.

O-seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav, hu ya-a-seh sha-lom a-ley-nu v'al kol Yisrael v'al kol yosh-vei te-vel, v'eem-ru: A-men.

Let the glory of God be extolled, and God's great name be hallowed in the world whose creation God willed. May God rule in our own day, in our own lives, and in the life of all Israel, and let us say: Amen. Let God's great name be blessed forever and ever. Beyond all the praises, songs, and adorations that we can utter is the Holy One, the Blessed One, whom yet we glorify, honor, and exalt. And let us say: Amen. For us and for all Israel, may the blessing of peace and the promise of life come true, and let us say: Amen. May the One who causes peace to reign in the high heavens, cause peace to reign among us, all Israel, and all the world, and let us say: Amen.

May the Source of peace send peace to all who mourn, and comfort to all who are bereaved. Amen.

OSEH SHALOM

עשה שַׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמֵיו, הוּא יַעֲשֵׂה שַׁלוֹם עַלֵינוּ, ָוְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

O-seh sha-lom bim-ro-mav, hu ya-a-seh sha-lom a-ley-nu v'al kol Yisrael, v'eem-ru a-meyn.

May the One who makes peace in the heavens above cause peace to descend upon us, all Israel, and all the world. Amen.

Zekher Tzadik Livrakha The Memory of the Righteous is a Blessing

Additional Readings

1. The Light

Once — no, not once alone, but once a thousand, thousand times — a brilliant light danced beneath that brow.

It lasered through trials and troubles. It ventured with defiance into thoughts and challenges that most would flee. It hopped with delight and humor. It pulsated with love and warmth of spirit.

The light was life.

The light was heart.

The light was the pent-up fire that made the man a man.

And, later, as the shadows drifted in,

He still had that smile.

He still had that touch.

He still had the light, but it flickered now.

It flickered and it dimmed.

It flickered.

And then it died.

—David Craig Berliner

2. Portrait of a Soul

They're gone now.

Their portraits hang in the gallery of memory.

When they lived, you savored each as a whole,

a finished masterpiece, a life blended into yours.

You thought you knew her.

You thought you knew him.

But now, you move closer to the canvas and discover that

No matter how many solid colors

and sublime shadings combine to create a picture of their soul,

There are always brush strokes that only become visible

in the light and shadow of remembrance.

We are all masterpiees, each an original painted by the hand of God.

Each an amalgam of mind and body, at once indelicate yet nuanced, majestic yet sublime.

Though they are gone, their portraits are on permanent display,

Their hidden treasures beckoning, waiting to soothe your pain.

Look for them. find them. Savor them.

They are there.

They always were.

They always will be.

—David Craig Berliner

3. The Dash

I read of a man who stood to speak At the funeral of a friend, He referred to the dates on the tombstone From the beginning ...to the end. He noted that first came the date of his/her birth And spoke of the second with tears, But said that what mattered most of all Was the dash betweens those years, For the dash represents all the time That he/she spent alive on earth, And now only those who loved him/her know What that little line is worth. For it matters not how much we own: the cars, the house, the cash. What matters is how we live and love When we're living out the dash. If we could just slow down long enough To consider what's true and what's real, And always try to understand The way other people feel, And be less quick to anger and show appreciation more, And love the people in our lives Like we 've never loved before. If we treat each other with respect And more often wear a smile, Remember that this special dash might only last a while. So when your eulogy is being read With your life's actions to rehash, Will you be pleased with what there is to say About how you spent your dash?

—Linda Ellis

4. To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me

When I am gone, release me, let me go -I have so many things to see and do. You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears, Be happy that we had these years. I give you my love. You can only guess How much you gave to me in happiness. I thank you for the love you each have shown, But now it's time I traveled on alone. So grieve a while for me if grieve you must, Then let your grief be comforted by trust. It's only for a while that we must part So bless the memories within your heart. I won't be far away, for life goes on So if you need me, call and I will come. Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near -And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear All of my love around you soft and clear. And then, when you must come this way alone, I'll greet you with a smile, and "Welcome home."

—Jing Jing

5. Kindness

Before you know what kindness really is you must lose things, feel the future dissolve in a moment like salt in a weakened broth.

What you held in your hand, what you counted and carefully saved, all this must go so you know how desolate the landscape can be between the regions of kindness.

How you ride and ride thinking the bus will never stop, the passengers eating maize and chicken will stare out the window forever.

Before you learn the tender gravity of kindness, you must travel where the Indian in a white poncho lies dead by the side of the road.

You must see how this could be you, how he too was someone who journeyed through the night with plans and the simple breath that kept him alive.

Before you know kindness as the deepest thing inside, you must know sorrow as the other deepest thing. You must wake up with sorrow.
You must speak to it till your voice catches the thread of all sorrows and you see the size of the cloth.
Then it is only kindness that makes any sense anymore, only kindness that ties your shoes and sends you out in to the day to mail letters and purchase bread, only kindness that raises its head from the crowd of the world to say
It is I you have been looking for, and then goes with you everywhere like a shadow or a friend.

—Naomi Shihab Nye

How You Can Help a Grieving Person

Bereavement Center of Westchester

Listen without trying to cure. Being truly present to a grieving person, without judging or denying their pain, without trying to fix the unfixable, is the single most important gift you may give someone who is grieving.

Understand that this will take time. This is not like a cold or a cut that will continuously get better. Grief will come in unexpected waves, affecting a person throughout their lifetime. Each person, even within a family, will have a different time schedule and, sometimes, it gets worse before the intensity and frequency of the waves change.

Be direct and honest. Use real language (for example, "he died") versus euphemisms (such as "passed away," "gone to a better place" or "not with us any more"). In our well-intentioned way, we are frequently overprotective and tip-toe around issues of death and dying. This language especially confuses children, who may think, "If he's in a better place, why am I not there?"

If you don't believe it, or you don't have an answer, don't say anything. It is always better to remain quiet, or admit what we don't know, rather than responding to fill the space. This will create a sense of trust between you and the person grieving. A simple hug or handshake can say it all.

Don't avoid topics that include the deceased. After a death, we need outlets to create the significance of the person who died. We do that through talking about that person, memories and legacies.

Allow for humor and lightness. Grieving people need breaks from their grief, and time to remember what it feels like to be "normal" while adjusting to the "new normal."

Take the lead from the person who is grieving. In public places (supermarkets, school grounds, etc.), reflect their mood and their words, allowing them the room to be where they are at the moment.

Be aware of your own limitations. Many people cannot sit with another person in pain, especially when there is nothing functional that can be done. There are many ways to support the grieving person – assisting with childcare, distracting them with movies and meals, offering a second home, helping with the household bills and mail, etc.



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