L'shanah Tovah Happy New Year 5781

Hornblowing Time

הּנִקְעוּ בַחֹדֶשׁ שׁוֹפָר בַּכֵּסֶה לְיוֹם חַגֵּנוּ. כִּי חֹק לְיִשְׂרָאֵל הוּא מִשְׁפָּט לֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב.

Tik'u va-chodesh shofar, ba-kesè l'yom chaggenu. Ki chok l'Yisra'el hu, mishpat Lelohei Ya'akov.

Hornblowing time is coming soon, pray sound the trumpet on the autumn moon. The law kept by king and priest, the law of the yearly feast.

For the Body

Thank You, God, for eyes that see, for ears that hear, for lips that speak. Thank You, God, for minds that think. Thank You, God, for hearts that beat.

ַבָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, אֲשֶׁר יָצַר אֶת הָאָדָם בְּחָכְמָה.

Baruch attah, Adonai, asher yatzar et ha-adam b'chochmah.

We praise You, Eternal God. Thank You for my body. It is a miracle!

Call to Worship

בְּרְכוּ אֶת יְיָ הַמְבֹּרָדְ. בָּרוּדְ יְיָ הַמְבֹרָדְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Barchu et Adonai ha-m'vorach. Baruch Adonai ha-m'vorach l'olam va-ed.

Creation

When God made the world, God made it full of light; the sun to shine by day, the moon and stars by night. God made it full of life: lilies, oaks, and trout, tigers and bears, sparrows, hawks, and apes.

Then God took clay from earth's four corners to give it the breath of life. And God said: This is very good!

Man, woman, and child – all are good; man, woman, child resemble God.

Like God, we love. Like God, we think. Like God, we care.

Man, woman, and child – all are good.

God Loves Us

God, You gave us mitzvot in the Torah because You love us: Play fair. Be kind. Share with others. Tell the truth. When we want to know the right thing to do, we remember what the Torah says. It helps us decide what is right, when no one is there to tell us.

ַבָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, אוֹהֵב עַמּוֹ יִשְׂרָאֵל.

Baruch attah, Adonai, ohev ammo Yisra'el.

We praise You, Eternal God. You gave the Jewish people the Torah. It is a sign that You love us.

Oneness of God

ָשְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְיָ אֶחָד.

Sh'ma Yisra'el Adonai Eloheinu Adonai echad.

Hear, O Israel: the Eternal One is our God, the Eternal God alone.

ַבָּרוּדְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מַלְכוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

Baruch shem k'vod malchuto l'olam va-ed.

Blessed is God's glory forever and ever!

וְאָהַרְתָּ אֵת יְיָ אֱלֹהֵידְ בְּכָל לְבָבְדְ וּבְכָל נַפְשְׁדְ וּבְכָל מְאֹדֶדְ. וְהָיוּ הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶה אֲשֶׁר אָנֹכִי מְצַוּדְ הַיּוֹם עַל לְבָבֶדְ. וְשִׁנַּיְתָם לְבָנֵידְ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם בְּשִׁבְתְּדְ בְּבֵיתֶדְ וּבְלֶכְתְדְ בַדֶּרֶדְ וּבְשָׁכְבְּדְ וּבְקוּמֶדְ. וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְבָנֵידְ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם בְּשִׁבְתְדָ בְּבֵיתֶדְ גַּינֶידְ. וּכְתַבְתָּד הַדֶּעָכְבִדָּ וּבְשָׁכְבְּד וּבְקוּמֶדָ. וּקְשַׁרְתָּם לְבָנֶידְ וְדִבַּרְתָּ בָּם בְּשָׁכְתְּדָ בְבָבָרָ מֵעְנֶידְ. וּכְתַבְתָּד הַיּצְאָתִי אָתְכָם אָזוֹת בֵּיתֶדְ וּבִשְׁעְרֵידָ. לְמַעַן תִּזְכְּרוּ וַעֲשִׂיתֶם אֶת כָּל מִצְנִירְ. וּכְתַבְתָּם לְאלֹהִים אֶנִי יְיָ אֶלֹהֵיכָם. אָנִי יְיָ אֶלְהֵיכָם מָאֶרָץ מִצְרָיִם לְהִיוֹת לְכָם לֵאלֹהִים אַנִי ייָי אֶלָהֵיכָם.

V'ahavta et Adonai Elohecha b'chol l'vavcha uv-chol nafsh'cha uv-chol m'odecha. V'hayu ha-d'varim ha-elleh asher anochi m'tzavv'cha ha-yom al l'vavecha. V'shinnantam l'vanecha v'dibbarta bam b'shivt'cha b'veitecha uv-lecht'cha va-derech uv-shochb'cha uv-kumecha. Ukshartam l'ot al yadecha v'hayu l'totafot bein einecha. Uchtavtam al m'zuzot beitecha u-vish'arecha. L'ma'an tizk'ru va-asitem et kol mitzvotai vihyitem k'doshim Leloheichem. Ani Adonai Eloheichem asher hotzeti et'chem me-eretz Mitzrayim lihyot lachem Lelohim ani Adonai Eloheichem.

You shall love God with all your mind,

with all your strength, with all your being.

Set these words which I command you this day upon your heart.

Teach them faithfully to your children;

speak about them in your home

and when you are away,

when you lie down and when you get up.

Bind them as a sign upon your hand;

let them be a symbol before your eyes;

write them on the doorposts of your house

and on your gates.

Remember My mitzvot, and do them.

In this way, you become holy.

I freed your people from Egyptian slavery long ago,

so that you might be My People.

I am the Eternal One, your God.

For a Better Tomorrow

When our people were slaves in Egypt, they prayed to God for help. God freed them. Our people sang out with respect and love.

Today, as well, we trust God to help us. We dream of a better tomorrow. We sing those words our ancestors sang when they crossed the Sea of Reeds.

מִי כָמְכָה בָּאֵלִם יְיָ מִי כָּמְכָה נֶאְדָר בַּקְדָשׁ נוֹרָא תְהִלֹת עְׂשֵׂה פֶּלֶא.

Mi chamochah ba-elim Adonai mi kamochah nedar ba-kodesh nora t'hillot oseh felè.

Who is like you, Adonai? No one is as holy and as wonderful as You.

When the Jewish people were freed from Pharaoh's oppression and slavery, they declared Adonai would be our God forever.

ָיָ יִמְלֹדְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, גָּאַל יִשְׂרָאֵל. יִי

Adonai yimloch l'olam va-ed. Baruch attah, Adonai, ga'al Yisra'el.

O God, as You helped our people before, we pray that You will shelter and protect us now. We praise You, God, who saves our people, Israel.

Standing Prayer

אַדֹנָי שְׂפָתַי תִּפְתָּח וּפִי יַגִּיד תְּהַלָּתֶךָ.

Adonai s'fatai tiftach u-fi yaggid t'hillatecha.

Eternal God, open my lips, that my mouth may declare Your glory.

בְּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ וֵאלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ, אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם, אֱלֹהֵי יִצְחָק, וֵאלֹהֵי יַעֲקֹב, אֱלֹהֵי שָׁרָה, אֱלֹהֵי רִבְקָה, אֱלֹהֵי לֵאָה, וֵאלֹהֵי רָחֵל, הָאֵל הַנָּדוֹל הַגִּבּוֹר וְהַנּוֹרָא, אֵל עֶלִיוֹן, גּוֹמֵל חֲסָדִים טוֹבִים, וְקֹנֵה הַכּּל, וְזוֹכֵר חַסְדֵי אָבוֹת וְאִמָּהוֹת, וּמֵבִיא גְאֵלָה לִבְנֵי בְנֵיהֶם, לְמֵעַן שְׁמוֹ בְּאַהַבָה. מֶלֶד עוֹזֵר וּמוֹשִׁיעַ וּמָגַן. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, מְגון אַבְרָהָם וְעֶזְרַת שָׁרָה.

Baruch attah, Adonai Eloheinu Velohei avoteinu v'immoteinu, Elohei Avraham, Elohei Yitzchak, Velohei Ya'akov, Elohei Sarah, Elohei Rivkah, Elohei Le'ah, Velohei Rachel, ha-El ha-gadol ha-gibbor v'ha-nora, El elyon, gomel chasadim tovim, v'koneh ha-kol, v'zocher chasdei avot v'immahot, u-mevi g'ullah livnei v'neihem, l'ma'an sh'mo b'ahavah. Melech ozer u-moshia u-magen. Baruch attah, Adonai, magen Avraham v'ezrat Sarah.

We praise You, our God. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, Sarah, Rebekah, Leah and Rachel – each of them prayed to You and praised You. You have always loved and protected us. We thank You for all that You have done, and we praise You, our Shield and our Protector. אַתָּה גִּבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי, מְחַיֵּה הַכּּל אַתָּה, רַב לְהוֹשִׁיעַ. מְכַלְבֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד, מְחַיֵּה הַכּל בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים, סוֹמֵדְ נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים, וּמְקַיֵּם אֱמוּנָתוֹ לִישֵׁנֵי עָפָר, מִי כָמְוֹדְ בַּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת וּמִי דְּוֹמֶה לְדָ, מֶלֶדְ מֵמִית וּמְחַיֶּה וּמַץמֵיחַ יְשׁוּעָה. וְנֶאֶמָן אַתָּה לְהַחֵיוֹת הַכּל. בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה, יְיָ, מְחַיֵּה הַכּּל.

Attah gibbor l'olam Adonai, m'chayyeh ha-kol attah, rav l'hoshia. M'chalkel chayyim b'chesed, m'chayyeh ha-kol b'rachamim rabbim, somech noflim, v'rofé cholim, u-mattir asurim, umkayyem emunato lishenei afar, mi chamocha ba'al g'vurot u-mi domeh lach, melech memit umchayyeh u-matzmiach y'shu'ah. V'ne'eman attah l'hachayot ha-kol. Baruch attah, Adonai, m'chayyeh ha-kol.

O God, as we remember all You do, we make this promise: to be like You.

We will raise up those who fall, heal those who are sick, free those who are in need.

As Your partners, we will support the poor, feed the hungry, house the homeless, befriend the lonely and give hope to all people.

We will be faithful Jews.

As you have helped us live better lives, we shall help others.

We praise You, O God, who gives meaning to our lives.

Healing

מִי שֶׁבֵּרַדְ אֲבוֹתֵינוּ מְקוֹר הַבְּרָכָה לְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ.

Mi she-berach avoteinu m'kor ha-b'rachah l'immoteinu.

May the Source of strength who blessed the ones before us, help us find the courage to make our lives a blessing: and let us say, Amen.

ָמִי שֶׁבֵּרַדְ אַמּוֹתֵינוּ מְקוֹר הַבְּרָכָה לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ.

Mi she-berach immoteinu m'kor ha-b'rachah la-avoteinu.

Bless those in need of healing with רְפוּאָה שְׁלַמָה r'fu'ah sh'lemah, the renewal of body, the renewal of spirit: and let us say, Amen.

If I Had a Shofar

(Tune: If I Had a Hammer)

If I had a shofar,

 I'd blow it in the morning,
 I'd blow it in the evening, all over this land.
 I'd blow it loudly,
 I'd blow it softly,
 I'd blow it with love between my brothers and my sisters,
 All over this land.

2. If I had an apple,

I'd eat it in the morning, I'd eat it in the evening, all over this land. I'd eat it with honey, I'd eat it with challah, I'd eat it with love between my brothers and my sisters, All over this land.

3. If I had a Torah,

I'd read it in the morning, I'd read it in the evening, all over this land. I'd read out danger, I'd read out warning, I'd read out love between my brothers and my sisters, All over this land.

4. Well, I've got a shofar, And I've got an apple, And I've got a Torah too, all over this land. It's the shofar of justice, It's the apple of sweetness, It's the Torah of love between my brothers and my sisters, All over this land.

We Are Called

עָלֵינוּ לְשַׁבְּחַ לַאֲדוֹן הַכּּל, לָתֵת גֵּדָלָה לְיוֹצֵר בְּרֵאשִׁית, שָׁלֹא עָשְׂנוּ כְּגוֹיֵי הָאֲרָצוֹת, וְלֹא שָׁמְנוּ כְּמִשְׁפְּחוֹת הָאֲדָמָה, שָׁלֹא שָׁם חֶלְקֵנוּ כָּהֶם, וְגֹרָלֵנְוּ כְּכָל הַמוֹנָם. וַאֲנַחְנוּ כּוֹרְעִים וּמִשְׁתַּחֲוִים וּמוֹדִים לִפְנֵי מֶלֶדְ מַלְכֵי הַמְּלָכִים, הַקָּדוֹשׁ בָּרוּדָ הוּא.

Aleinu l'shabbeach la-adon ha-kol, la-tet g'dullah l'yotzer b'reshit, she-lo asanu k'goyei ha-aratzot, v'lo samanu k'mishp'chot ha-adamah, she-lo sam chelkenu kahem, v'goralenu k'chol hamonam. Va-anachnu kor'im u-mishtachavim u-modim lifnei melech malchei ha-m'lachim, ha-kadosh baruch hu.

We pray that some day the world will be at peace. Then everyone will be free to pray in whatever way is authentic for them or not at all. May that great time come soon.

> וְנָאֶמַר, וְהָיָה יְיָ לְמֶלֶדְ עַל כָּל הָאֶָרָץ בַּיּוֹם הַהוּא יִהְיֶה יְיָ אֶחָד וּשְׁמוֹ אֶחָד.

V'ne'emar, V'hayah Adonai l'melech al kol ha-aretz ba-yom ha-hu yihyeh Adonai echad ushmo echad.

Remembrance

At this time,

we think about people who have died. Some were our family. Some were our friends. When we think about these people,

we miss them. We are grateful for memories of them.

We thank You, God,

for life and for the people we have loved.

יִתְגַּדַּל וְיִתְקַדַּשׁ שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא בְּעָלְמָא דִּי בְרָא כִרְעוּתֵהּ.

וְיַמְלִידְ מַלְכוּתֵה בְּחַיֵּיכוֹן וּבְיוֹמֵיכוֹן וּבְחַיֵּי דְכָל בֵּית יִשְׂרָאֵל, בַּעֲגָלָא וּבִזְמַן קָרִיב, וְאַמְרוּ אָמֵן.

יְהֵא שְׁמֵהּ רַבָּא מְבָרַדְ לְעָלַם וּלְעָלְמֵי עָלְמַיָּא.

ּיִתְּבָּרַדְּ וְיִשְׁתַּבַּח וְיִתְפָּאַר וְיִתְרוֹמַם וְיִתְנַשֵּׂא וְיִתְהַדָּר וְיִתְעַלֶּה וְיִתְהַלָּל שְׁמֵהּ דְּקֵדְשָׁא בְּרִידְ הוּא, לְעֵלָּא מִן כָּל בִּרְכָתָא וְשִׁירָתָא תֵּשְׁבְּחָתָא וְנֶחֱמָתָא, דַּאֲמִירָן בְּעָלְמָא, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן.

יְהֵא שְׁלָמָא רַבָּא מִן שְׁמַיָּא, וְחַיִּים עַלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאִמְרוּ אָמֵן. עשֵׁה שָׁלוֹם בִּמְרוֹמַיו, הוּא יַעַשֵׂה שָׁלוֹם עַלֵינוּ וְעַל כָּל יִשְׂרָאֵל, וְאָמְרוּ אָמֵן.

Yitgaddal v'yitkaddash sh'meh rabba b'alma di v'ra chir'uteh.

V'yamlich malchuteh b'chayyeichon uv-yomeichon uv-chayyei d'chol beit Yisra'el, ba-agala u-vizman kariv, v'imru amen.

Y'hé sh'meh rabba m'varach l'alam ul-almei almayya.

Yitbarach v'yishtabbach v'yitpa'ar v'yitromam v'yitnassé v'yit'haddar v'yit'alleh v'yit'hallal sh'meh d'kudsha b'rich hu, l'ella min kol birchata v'shirata tushb'chata v'nechemata, da-amiran b'alma, v'imru amen.

Y'hé sh'lama rabba min sh'mayya, v'chayyim aleinu v'al kol Yisra'el, v'imru amen.

Oseh shalom bimromav, hu ya'aseh shalom aleinu v'al kol Yisra'el, v'imru amen.

One Thing I Ask

אַחַת שָׁאַלְתִּי מֵאֵת יְיָ אוֹתָהּ אֲבַקֵּשׁ שִׁבְתִּי בְּבֵית יְיָ כָּל יְמֵי חַיַּי לַחֲזוֹת בְּנֹעַם יְיָ וּלְבַקֵּר בְּהֵיכָלוֹ.

Achat sha'alti me-et Adonai otah avakkesh (2x). Shivti b'veit Adonai kol y'mei chayyai. La-chazot b'no'am, b'no'am Adonai ul-vakker b'heichalo (2x).

One thing I ask of my God, this alone is the wish that I daily request.

One thing I ask of my God, this alone is the wish that will let my heart rest.

To live in the house of my God, that is all that I pray.

To gaze at God's beauty, to frequent God's Temple, to dwell in God's presence every day (2x).