

Blow the Shofar in Zion

The Shofar as a Divine Warning!



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Lighting of the Candles

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Baruch atah Adonai,
Eloheynu Melech ha-olam,
Asher kidshanu al y'dey emunah
B'Yeshua ha-Mashiach or ha-olam
Uvishmo madlikim ha-nair shel
Yom Tov.

Lighting of the Candles

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Blessed are You O' Lord our God,
King of the Universe

Who has sanctified us by Your word
and has given us Yeshua, the Messiah,
the Light of the world

And it is by faith in His Name
we kindle the festival lights.

Shehecheyanu

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

נְשַׁחֲחֶינּוּ וְנִקְיָמנוּ וְהַגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמֶן הַזֶּה:

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God,

King of the universe

Who has kept us alive,

sustained us,

and brought us to this season.

Reading of the Word

Leviticus 19:18

You shall not take vengeance,
nor bear any grudge against the sons of
your people, but you shall love your
neighbor as yourself; I am the LORD.

Reading of the Word

John 13:34-35

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

Avinu Malkeynu

Our Father

Our King

Avinu Malkenu

Our Father, Our King, be merciful to us, for we have no deeds to commend us. Deal with us in charity and lovingkindness, and save us.

Our Father, Our King, we confess our sins before You. Grant us repentance and forgiveness for our transgressions.

Avinu Malkenu

Our Father, Our King, our deeds cannot save us, for we have no righteousness of our own. Our salvation comes only through the blood of the Lamb of God, Yeshua, the Messiah of Israel.

Our Father, Our King, reveal Yourself to us that we may know You intimately, love you wholeheartedly, and walk in holiness before You.

Avinu Malkenu

Our Father, Our King, enable us by the Ruach HaKodesh to accomplish the good works You have prepared for us so that we may finish the race you have set before us.

Our Father, Our King, complete the work You have begun in each of us, in the Body of Messiah, and in all mankind.

Avinu Malkenu

Our Father, Our King, pour out Your Spirit so that a great harvest of souls may be gathered to You and that many of the House of Israel may be saved.

Our Father, Our King, sound the Shofar, the Tekiah Gedolah, when we will be changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye.

Avinu Malkenu

Our Father, Our King, look mercifully upon Israel. Deliver her from those gathered against her and bring her to faith in Messiah, the Holy One of Israel.

Our Father, Our King, hasten the day when all Israel shall be saved.

Avinu Malkenu

Our Father, Our King, establish peace among all people, Jews and Gentiles, through Yeshua the Messiah, the Sar Shalom, the Prince of Peace.

Reading of the Word

Leviticus 23:23-25

²³ Then the Lord spoke to Moses, saying,
²⁴ "Speak to the children of Israel, saying:
'In the seventh month, on the first *day* of
the month, you shall have a sabbath-*rest*,
a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy
convocation. ²⁵ You shall do no customary
work *on it*; and you shall offer an offering
made by fire to the Lord.' "

Joel 2

Blow the trumpet in Zion,
And sound an alarm in My holy mountain!
Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble;
For the day of the Lord is coming,
For it is at hand:

2 A day of darkness and gloominess,
A day of clouds and thick darkness,
Like the morning *clouds* spread over the mountains.
A people *come*, great and strong,
The like of whom has never been;
Nor will there ever be any *such* after them,
Even for many successive generations.

Blow the Shofar in Zion

The Shofar as a Divine Warning!



The Shofar is a Divine Warning!

Isaiah 18:3 All you inhabitants of the world, you who live on the earth: when a banner is hoisted on the mountains, look!

When the shofar is blown, listen!

Toot your own horn!

Have you ever heard
of a car trumpet?

What are some
purposes of horns?

Rosh Hashana is the day of
appreciating who God is.

Proclaiming that God is the King of
the Universe.

It is a part of most of our daily
prayers.

The Shofar Sound is to announce
the coming of the King!

In Jewish tradition, a king is first and foremost a servant of the people. His only concern is that the people live in happiness and harmony.

Maimonides adds one important qualification: It isn't enough that God is MY King alone. If ALL humanity doesn't recognize God as King, then there is something lacking in my own relationship with God. Part of my love for the Almighty is to help guide all people to an appreciation of Him.

The Shofar Blast as Divine Intervention!

Exodus 20:18-20

¹⁸ Now all the people witnessed the thunderings, the lightning flashes, the sound of the shofar, and the mountain smoking; and when the people saw *it, they trembled and stood afar off.* ¹⁹ *Then they said to Moses, “You speak with us, and we will hear; but let not God speak with us, lest we die.”*

²⁰ And Moses said to the people, “Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin.” ²¹ So the people stood afar off, but Moses drew near the thick darkness where God was.

The Shofar of Divine Destruction

Joshua 6:15

¹⁵ But it came to pass on the seventh day that they rose early, about the dawning of the day, and marched around the city seven times in the same manner. On that day only they marched around the city seven times. ¹⁶ And the seventh time it happened, when the priests blew the shofar, that Joshua said to the people:

“Shout, for the Lord has given you the city!

¹⁷ Now the city shall be doomed by the Lord to destruction, it and all who *are in it*.

2 Samuel 6:14-15

Then David danced and spun around with abandon before Adonai, wearing a linen ritual vest. **So David and all the house of Isra'el brought up the ark of Adonai with shouting and the sound of the shofar.**

The Shofar of Protection!

Neh 4:18 As for the construction-workers, each one had his sword sheathed at his side; that is how they built. The man to sound the alarm on the shofar stayed with me.

Neh 4:20 But wherever you are, when you hear the sound of the shofar, come to that place, to us.

Our God will fight for us!"

The Shofar Announces a New Month

Psalm 81:3-4

**Sound the shofar at Rosh-Hodesh
and at full moon for the pilgrim feast,
because this is a law for Israel, a ruling
of the God of Jacob.**



GOG AND
MAGOG

The Non-Arab
Invasion of Israel

Gog and Non-Arab Allies Attack Israel

Ezekiel 38:1-3

Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying,
2 "Son of man, set your face against Gog, of the land of Magog,
*the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal, and prophesy against
him, 3 and say, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Behold, I *am* against
you, O Gog, the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal. 4 I will
turn you around, put hooks into your jaws, and lead you out,
with all your army, horses, and horsemen, all splendidly clothed,
a great company *with* bucklers and shields, all of them handling
swords. 5 Persia (Iran), *Ethiopia, and *Libya are with them, all
of them *with* shield and helmet; 6 Gomer and all its troops; the
house of Togarmah *from* the far north and all its troops--many
people *are* with you.

Gog and Non-Arab Allies Attack Israel

Ezekiel 38:14

"Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say to Gog,

'Thus says the Lord God:

"On that day when My people Israel dwell safely, will you not know *it*? 15 Then you will come from your place out of the far north, you and many peoples with you, all of them riding on horses, a great company and a mighty army. 16 You will come up against My people Israel like a cloud, to cover the land. It will be in the latter days that I will bring you against My land, so that the nations may know Me...



Gog, Magog and Non-Arab Allies Attack Israel

Ezekiel 38:18

"And it will come to pass at the same time, when Gog comes against the land of Israel," says the Lord God, "*that My fury will show in My face. 19 For in My jealousy and in the fire of My wrath I have spoken: 'Surely in that day there shall be a great earthquake in the land of Israel...*

Gog and Non-Arab Allies Attack Israel

Ezekiel 38:12

And I will bring him to judgment with pestilence and bloodshed; I will rain down on him, on his troops, and on the many peoples who *are* with him, flooding rain, great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. 23 Thus I will magnify Myself and sanctify Myself, and I will be known in the eyes of many nations. Then they shall know that I *am* the Lord."

The Good Watchman

Ezekiel 33

Again the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ² “Son of man, speak to the children of your people, and say to them: ‘When I bring the sword upon a land, and the people of the land take a man from their territory and make him their watchman, ³ when he sees the sword coming upon the land, if he blows the shofar and warns the people, ⁴ then whoever hears the sound of the trumpet and does not take warning,..... his blood shall be on his own head. ...But he who takes warning will save his life.

The Bad Watchman

Ezekiel 33

6 But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the shofar, and the people are not warned, and the sword comes and takes any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at the watchman's hand.'

We are the Watchman!

Ezekiel 33

7 “So you, son of man:

**I have made you a watchman for
the house of Israel**

Ezekiel 33

¹⁰ “Therefore you, O son of man, say to the house of Israel: ‘Thus you say, “If our transgressions and our sins *lie upon us, and we pine away in them, how can we then live?*” ’ ¹¹ Say to them: ‘As I live,’ says the Lord God,

‘I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn, turn from your evil ways! For why should you die, O house of Israel?’

The Gathering of the Chosen Ones

Mat 24:30 "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, all the tribes of the Land will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with tremendous power and glory.

Mat 24:31 He will send out his angels with a great shofar; and they will gather together his chosen people from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

The Shofar at Sinai kept people away

Hebrews 12:18-24

¹⁸ For you have not come to the mountain that may be touched and that burned with fire, and to blackness and darkness and tempest, ¹⁹ and the sound of a trumpet and the voice of words, so that those who heard *it begged that the word should not be spoken to them anymore.*

The Shofar of Yeshua brings us near!

Hebrews 12:18-24

22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, 23 to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, 24 to Yeshua the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.

Reading of the Word

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

For the love of Messiah controls us, having concluded this, that One died for all, therefore all died; and He died for all, that they who live should no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf. Therefore from now on we recognize no man according to the flesh; even though we have known the Messiah according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer.

Reading of the Word

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Therefore if any man is in the Messiah, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

Reading of the Word

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brethren, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve, as do the rest who have no hope. For if we believe that Yeshua died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep in Yeshua. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, and remain until the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who have fallen asleep.

Reading of the Word

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of *the* archangel, and with the shofar of God; and the dead in Messiah shall rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

Reading of the Word

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

Behold, I tell you a mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last shofar; for the shofar will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed.

Congregational Reading

May the sound of the shofar shatter our complacency and make us conscious of the corruption in our lives.

May the sound of the shofar awaken us to the magnitude of our sins and the vastness of the Lord's mercy toward those who turn to Him.

Congregational Reading

May the sound of the shofar penetrate our hearts and cause us to turn to our Father in heaven through Yeshua the Messiah.

May the sound of the shofar ever remind us that Yeshua has freed us from slavery to sin and stir in us the desire to walk in this freedom.

Congregational Reading

May the sound of the shofar
inspire us to wholeheartedly seek
and devote ourselves to the one
and only true
God.

May the sound of the shofar
inspire us to respond the moment
He calls us to service with,
"Hineni, here am I."

Congregational Reading

May the sound of the shofar remind us of the day our Fathers stood at Mount Sinai and promised, "All that the Lord has spoken, we will do and we will be obedient."

May the sound of the shofar inspire us to proclaim liberty and life in Messiah Yeshua to Yisrael and to all people.

Congregational Reading

May the sound of the shofar remind us of the land God promised to our Fathers and stir in us a renewed devotion to Eretz Yisrael.

May the sound of the shofar signal the final ingathering of our exiled people to Eretz Yisrael.

Congregational Reading

May the sound of the shofar stir
our hearts to obey the Lord our
God, for blessed are those who
hearken to His call.

Sounding of the Shofar

Tekiah Shevarim Teruah Tekiah
Tekiah Shevarim Tekiah
Tekiah Teruah Tekiah Gedolah

Reading Hosea 6:1-3

Come, let us return to the Lord.
For He has torn us, but He will heal us.
He has wounded us,
but He will bandage us.
He will revive us after two days;
He will raise us up on the third day
That we may live before Him.
So let us know,
let us press on to know the Lord.
His going forth is as certain as the dawn;
And He will come to us like the rain,
Like the spring rain watering the earth.

A Prayer for Israel

Our Father who art in heaven, Protector and Redeemer of Israel, bless thou the State of Israel which marks the dawn of our deliverance. Shield it beneath the wings of thy love; spread over it the canopy of peace; send thy light and thy truth to its leaders, officers, and counselors, and direct them with thy good counsel.

A Prayer for Israel

O God, strengthen the defenders of our Holy Land; grant them salvation and crown them with victory. Establish peace in the land, and everlasting joy for its inhabitants.

Remember our brethren, the whole house of Israel, in all the lands of their dispersion.

A Prayer for Israel

Speedily let them walk upright in Zion, thy city, to Jerusalem, thy dwelling-place, as it is written in the Torah of thy servant Moses: "Even if you are dispersed in the uttermost parts of the world, from there the Lord your God will gather and fetch you. The Lord your God will bring you into the land which your fathers possessed, and you shall possess it.

A Prayer for Israel

Unite our heart to love and revere thy name, and to observe all the precepts of thy Torah. Shine forth in thy glorious majesty over all the inhabitants of thy world. Let everything that breathes proclaim: "The Lord God of Israel is King; his majesty rules over all." Amen.

Blessing of the Cup

All:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה

Baruch atah Adonai,

אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

Eloheynu Melech Ha-Olam

בּוֹרֵא פְרֵי הַגָּפֶן:

Borey P'ree Hagafen. Ah-meyn

Blessing of the Cup

All:

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God,

King of the Universe

Who creates the fruit of the vine.

Amen

Ha-Motzi

(Blessing of the Bread)

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה

Baruch atah Adonai,

אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

Eloheynu Melech Ha-Olam

הַמּוֹצֵא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ:

Ha-Motzi Lechem meen

Ha-Aretz. Ah-men

Ha-Motzi

(Blessing of the Bread)

Blessed are You,

O Lord our God,

King of the universe,

Who brings forth bread from
the earth.

Amen

P'ree Ha-Aytz
(Blessing of the Fruit)

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה

Baruch atah Adonai,

אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם

Eloheynu Melech Ha-Olam

בּוֹרֵא פְרֵי הָעֵץ:

Borey P'ree Ha Eytz

Ah-men

Blessing of the Fruit

All:

Blessed are you,

O Lord our God,

King of the Universe

Who creates the fruit of the tree.

Amen



Adon
Olam

Hebrew traditional

Verse 1

A-don o-lam, asher malach,

Master of the universe

B'te-rem kal, y'tsir niv-ra,

who reigned before any form was created,

L'eit na-sa, v'chef tso kol,

when creation came about by His will,

A-zai ai ai melech sh'mo nik-ra

then as King was His name proclaimed to be.

Verse 2

Vay a-cha-rei kich-lot ha-kol

And after all has ceased to be,

L'va-ah doe yeem loch no-ra

He alone will reign in Awesomeness.

V'hu ha-ya, v'hu ho-veh

And He was, *and* He is,

v'hu yee-yeh b'teef-a-ra

and shall be eternally in splendor

Verse 3

V'hu echad, veh ein shei-nee

And He is First, and there is no second,

L'ham-shil lo, l'hach-bi-ra

to compare to Him, to be His equal,

B'lee ray-sheet, b'lee tach-leet

without beginning and without end,

v'low ha-ohz v'ha-mis-ra

His is the power and dominion.

Verse 4

V'hu ay-lee, v'chai go-a-lee

And He is my God, my living Redeemer,

Vets ower chev-lee b'ate tsa-ra,

and the rock of my pain in times of trouble,

V'hu nee-see u-ma-nos lee,

and He is my Banner and a refuge for me,

M'nat ko-see b'yom ek-ra

the portion of my cup in the day I call upon Him.

Verse 5

B'ya-ah doe af-keed ru-chee

In His hands I entrust my spirit,

B'ate ee-shan veh'ah-ee-rah

in the time I sleep or am awake,

Veh eem ru-chi g'vee-ya-tee,

and with my spirit, my body,

Adonai lee, veh'lo ee-ra

the Lord is with me, I shall not fear.

Aleinu

Aleinu l'shabei-ach la-Adon hakol,
lateit g'dulah L'yotzer b'reishit,
shelo asanu k'goyei ha-aratzot,
Velo samanu k'mishp'chot ha-adamah;
shelo sam Chelkeinu kahem,
v'goraleinu k'chol-hamonam.

(Bow during this phrase)

Va-Anachnu kor'im
umish'tachavim umodim lif'nei
Melech Mal'chei haM'lachim,
haKadosh Baruch Hu.

Aleinu

It is our duty to praise the Master of all, to offer greatness to the fashioner of creation, who has not made us like the nations of the land and who has not placed us like the families of the earth, who has not placed our portion with them, nor our lot with all their multitudes.

We bow and prostrate and acknowledge the Ruler, Ruler of Rulers, the Holy One of Blessing.

The Aaronic Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

יְבַרְכֶךָ יי וַיִּשְׁמְרֶךָ ✧
יְאֵר יי פְּנֵי אֱלֹהֶיךָ וַיַּחַנְךָ ✧
יִשְׂאֵל יי פְּנֵי אֱלֹהֶיךָ וַיִּשֶׂם לְךָ שָׁלוֹם ✧

The Aaronic Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

May the Lord bless you, and keep you;
May the Lord make His face to shine
upon you,
And be gracious unto you;
May the Lord lift up His countenance
upon you,
And give you peace.

L'SHANAH TOVAH
TIKATEVU!

May you be inscribed for a
good year!