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**Shabbath shalom!** We offer this prayer book to all our brothers and sisters in order to help you beautify your prayers and to help you enter your Shabbath in set-apartness and peace. We have found that by beginning and ending the Shabbath in this way we are able to more precisely and completely set aside that one very special twenty-four hour period which YHWH has given to us for fellowship and rest.

**The Sabbath begins** precisely at sunset on the sixth day of the week and continues until sunset on the seventh day of the week. At the moment of sunset, all work, buying, selling, cooking and kindling of fires must cease until the following evening. Traditionally, Kiddush and the kindling of the lights are done 18 minutes before local sunset time. This is done somewhat early so that there is absolutely no danger of accidentally breaking the commandment of YHWH to refrain from kindling a flame on His day of rest, and to cease from all of our labors. The kindling of lights must always be performed prior to sunset.

**In the home**, this service is typically halted after the Kiddush in order to enjoy the Sabbath evening meal. Some families then resume the service after supper and perform the entirety of the prayers. Others skip ahead to resume at the blessings upon the children, preferring a shorter and less formal home service.

**In the Synagogue** or any more formal service, the prayers must begin considerably earlier so that Synagogue Kiddush and candle lighting are performed well before sunset. The home Kiddush and candle lighting is then no longer required and is omitted.

We at Sabbath Keepers Fellowship sincerely hope that our effort in producing this prayer booklet will be a blessing and a help to you as you join us and all of the greater family of Yisrael together in a shared act of worshipping our Creator and Redeemer by setting apart His day of rest, in peace and in unity, as it is written:

"See how good and how pleasant it is for brothers to dwell together in unity – like the precious oil on the head, Running down on the beard, the beard of Aharon, running down on the collar of his robes – like the dew of Hermon,

# that comes down on the mountains of Tsiyon. For there YHWH commanded the blessing, life forever!" Contents

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(The text of all scripture and prayer done in small italicized print and not in parentheses is spoken softly and with reverence)

## The Commandment

#### Shemoth 20:8-11

Zakor et yom Hashabbath l'qadosho. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work; but the seventh day is a Shabbath unto YHWH Eloheyka: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: for in six days YHWH made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is therein, and rested on the seventh day: wherefore YHWH blessed the Shabbath and sanctified it.

#### **Preliminary Tehillim**

(When a Festival, or one of the Intermediate Days of a Festival, falls on Shabbath, the Inauguration Service commences with Tehillah 92.)

#### Tehillah 95

L'ku n'rananah l'YHWH, let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving: let us shout for joy unto Him with songs. For YHWH is the great El, and the great King above all elohym. In His hand are the deep places of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also. The sea is His, and He made it; and His hands formed the dry land. O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before YHWH our Maker. For He is Eloheynu, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand. Today, O that ye would hearken to His voice! Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, as in the day of Massah in the wilderness: when your fathers tried me, and proved me, although they had seen my work. Forty years long was I wearied with that generation and said; It is a people that do err in their heart, and they have not known my ways. Wherefore I swore in my wrath, that they should not enter into my rest.

#### Tehillah 96

**Shiru l'YHWH shir chodesh**, sing unto YHWH, all the earth, sing unto YHWH, bless His Name: proclaim His salvation from day to day. Declare His esteem among the nations, His wondrous works among all the peoples. For great is YHWH, and exceedingly to be praised: He is to be revered above all elohym. For all the elohym of the peoples are things of naught: but YHWH made the heavens. Splendour and majesty are before Him: strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Ascribe unto YHWH, ye families of the peoples, ascribe unto YHWH esteem and strength. Give unto YHWH the esteem due unto His Name: bring an offering and come into His courts. Worship YHWH in the beauty of set-apartness; tremble before Him, all the earth. Say among the

nations, YHWH reigneth: the world also is set firm that it cannot be moved: He shall judge the peoples with equity. Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; let the sea roar, and the fullness thereof; let the plain exult and all that is therein; yea, let all the trees of the forest sing for joy before YHWH, for He cometh; for He cometh to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples in His faithfulness.

## Tehillah 97

**YHWH malak**; let the earth be glad; let the many coast-lands rejoice. Clouds and darkness are round about Him: righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne. A fire goeth before Him, and burneth up His adversaries round about. His lightnings illumine the world. The earth seeth and trembleth. The mountains melt like wax before YHWH, before the Master of the whole earth. The heavens declare His righteousness, and all the peoples behold His esteem. Ashamed be all they that serve graven images, that make their boast of things of naught. Bow down to Him, all ye elohym. Zion heard and was glad, and the cities of Yehudah rejoiced, because of thy judgments, YHWH. For Thou, YHWH, art most high above all the earth, Thou art exalted far above all elohym. Ye that love YHWH, hate evil: He preserveth the souls of His chasidim; He delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked. Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. Rejoice in YHWH, ye righteous; and give thanks to His set-apart Name.

#### Tehillah 98

**Mizmor shiru I'YHWH shir chodesh**; for He hath done marvelous things. His right hand, and His set-apart arm, hath wrought salvation for Him. YHWH hath made known His salvation: His righteousness hath He revealed in the sight of the nations. He hath remembered His lovingkindness and His faithfulness toward the house of Yisrael: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of Eloheynu. Shout for joy unto YHWH, all the earth; break forth into exultation, and sing praises. Sing praises unto YHWH with the harp; with the harp and the voice of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the shofar shout for joy before Hamelek YHWH. Let the sea roar and the fullness thereof, the world, and they that dwell therein. Let the floods clap their hands, let the mountains exult together, before YHWH; for He cometh to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

#### Tehillah 99

**YHWH malak**; the peoples stand in awe. He is enthroned upon the keruvim; the earth is moved. YHWH is great in Zion; and He is high above all the peoples. Let them give thanks to Thy great and dreaded Name. Qadosh Hu!

The King's strength also loveth justice; Thou didst establish equity; Thou hast wrought justice and righteousness in Ya'akov. Exalt ye YHWH Eloheynu, and worship at His Temple: Qadosh Hu! Moshe and Aharon among His Kohanim, and Sh'muel among them that call upon His Name, called upon YHWH, and He answered them. He spake unto them in the pillar of cloud: they kept His testimonies, and the statute that He gave them. Thou didst answer them, YHWH Eloheynu: a forgiving El Thou wast unto them, though Thou didst punish their misdeeds. Exalt ye YHWH Eloheynu, and worship at His set-apart mount; for YHWH Eloheynu is set-apart.

#### Tehillah 29

**Habu l'YHWH**, ye sons of might, ascribe unto YHWH esteem and strength, ascribe unto YHWH the esteem due unto His Name; worship YHWH in the beauty of set-apartness. The voice of YHWH is upon the waters: El hakavod thundereth, even YHWH upon the many waters. The voice of YHWH is powerful; the voice of YHWH is full of majesty, the voice of YHWH breaketh the cedars; yea, YHWH breaketh in pieces the cedars of Lebanon. He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young wild-ox. The voice of YHWH heweth out flames of fire; the voice of YHWH shaketh the wilderness; YHWH shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh. The voice of YHWH maketh the hinds to calve, and strippeth the forests bare: and in His Temple everything saith, "Esteem!" YHWH sat enthroned at the flood; yea, YHWH sitteth as King forever. YHWH will give strength unto His people; YHWH will bless His people with shalom.

# The Le'ka Dodi

(All stand)

#### \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

"Observe" and "Remember the Shabbath day," the only El caused us to hear in a single utterance: YHWH is one and His name one to His renown and His esteem and His praise.

### \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

Come, let us go to meet the Shabbath, for it is a well-spring of blessing; from the beginning, from of old it was ordained, -- last in production, first in thought.

#### \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

O sanctuary of our King, O regal city, arise, go forth from thy overthrow; long enough hast thou dwelt in the valley of weeping; verily He will have compassion upon thee.

#### \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

Shake thyself from the dust, arise, put on the garments of thy esteem O my people! Through the son of Yishai the Bethlehemi, draw Thou nigh unto my soul and redeem it.

## Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

Arouse thyself, arouse thyself, for thy light is come: arise, shine; awake, awake; give forth a song: the esteem of YHWH is revealed upon thee.

## \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

Be not ashamed, neither be confounded. Why art thou cast down, why art thou disquieted? The poor of my people trust in thee, and the city shall be builded on her own mound.

## \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

And they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that would swallow thee shall be far away: Elohayk shall rejoice over thee, as a bridegroom rejoices over His bride.

#### \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

Thou shalt spread abroad on the right hand and on the left, and thou shalt reverence YHWH. Through the offspring of Peretz we also shall rejoice and be glad.

## \*Le'ka dodi liqrat kalah p'ney Shabbath n'qabilah

Come in peace, thou crown of thy husband, with rejoicing and with cheerfulness, in the midst of the faithful of the chosen people; come, O bride, come, O bride.

(\*Come my friend, to meet the bride; let us welcome the presence of the Shabbath).

## Kindling of the Lights

(The following is said by the lady of the house and is omitted when no candles are lit)

**Rabon Haolamim,** I am about to perform the sacred duty of kindling the lights in honour of the Shabbath, even as it is written: "And thou shalt call the Shabbath a delight, and the set-apart day of YHWH honourable." And may the effect of my fulfilling this commandment be, that the stream of abundant life and heavenly blessing flow in upon me and mine; that Thou be gracious unto us and cause Thy Presence to dwell among us.

**Ab Harachamim**, continue Thy lovingkindness unto we and our dear ones. Make us worthy to walk in the way of the righteous before Thee, loyal to Thy Torah and clinging to excellent deeds. Keep Thou far from us all manner of shame, grief, and care; and grant that shalom, light, and joy ever abide in our home. For with Thee is the fountain of life; in Thy light do we see light. Amein.

Baruk atah YHWH Eloheynu, Melek Haolam asher qidshanu b'mitzvotav natan lanu l'hadlik ner shel Shabbath.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH Eloheynu, King of the Universe, who has sanctified us by Thy commandments, and has given to us the kindling of the Shabbath light.

(The lady of the house lights the candles and then beckons the light of them to her as she says:)

Baruk Hu u'va'ruk Sh'mo.

Blessed be He, and blessed be His Name.

## Qiddush

(The following is said in the home by the master of the house, previous to partaking of the Shabbath meal.)

And it was evening and it was morning, the sixth day.

And the heaven and the earth were finished and all their host. And on the seventh day Elohym had finished His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And Elohym blessed the seventh day, and He sanctified it, because He rested thereon from all His work which Elohym had created and made.

(Omit the following blessing if there is no wine or grape juice:)

Baruk atah, YHWH Eloheynu, Melek Haolam, boray pri hagafen. Blessed art Thou, YHWH Eloheynu, King of the Universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

**Baruk atah, YHWH Eloheynu**, King of the Universe, who hast sanctified us by Thy commandments and hast taken pleasure in us, and in love and favor has given us Thy set-apart Shabbath as an inheritance, a memorial of the creation-that day being also the first of the set-apart convocations, in remembrance of the departure from Mitzrayim. For Thou hast chosen us and sanctified us above all nations, and in love and favor hast given us Thy set-apart Shabbath as an inheritance.

Baruk atah, YHWH, m'qadesh	Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who
Hashabbath.	sanctifiest the Shabbath.

(Blessing for meals including bread :)

Baruk atah, YHWH Eloheynu,	Blessed art Thou, YHWH
Melek Haolam, hamotzi lechem	
min haaretz.	who brings forth bread from the
	earth.

(For meals without bread say :)

Baruk atah YHWH Eloheynu, Malak Haalam baray minay	Blessed art Thou YHWH
Melek Haolam, boray minay	Eloheynu King of the Universe,
m'zunot.	who creates various kinds of
	food.

(In the home, it is traditional to serve the evening meal after Kiddush)

#### Song for the Shabbath day

(Stand for the following Tehillim)

#### Tehillah 92

Tov l'hodoth l'YHWH, and to sing praises onto Thy Name, O Elyon: to declare Thy lovingkindness in the morning, and Thy faithfulness every night, with an instrument of ten strings and with a harp, with solemn music upon the lyre. For Thou, YHWH, hast made me rejoice through Thy work: I will exult in the works of Thy hands. How great are Thy works, YHWH: Thy thoughts are very deep. A brutish man knoweth it not, neither doth a fool understand this: when the wicked sprang up as the grass, and all the workers of iniquity flourished, it was that they might be destroyed forever. But Thou, YHWH, art on high for evermore. For Thine enemies, YHWH, for Thine enemies shall perish; all the workers of iniquity shall be scattered. But my strength hast Thou exalted, like that of the wild-ox: I am anointed with fresh oil. Mine eye also hath seen the defeat of mine enemies; mine ears have heard the doom of them that rose up against me, doers of evil. The righteous shall spring up like a palm-tree; he shall grow tall like a cedar in Lebanon. Planted in the house of YHWH, they shall blossom in the courts of Eloheynu. They shall still shoot forth in old age; they shall be full of sap and green: to declare that YHWH is upright; He is my Rock, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

#### Tehillah 93

**YHWH malak**; He hath robed him in majesty; YHWH hath robed him, yea, He hath girded Himself with strength: the world also is set firm, that it cannot be moved. Thy throne is set firm from of old: Thou art from everlasting. The floods have lifted up, YHWH, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. Than the voices of many waters, mighty waters, breakers of the sea, more mighty is YHWH on high. Thy testimonies are very sure: set-apartness becometh Thine house, YHWH, for evermore.

(All may be seated until the following prayer commences)

## The Barkhu

### Leader: Barkhu et YHWH hamvorak Congregation: Baruk YHWH hamvorak l'olam v'ed

**Baruk atah, YHWH Eloheynu, Melek Haolam**, who at Thy word bringest on the evening twilight, with wisdom openest the gates of the heavens, and with understanding changest times and variest the seasons, and arrangest the stars in their watches in the sky, according to Thy will. Thou createst day and night; Thou rollest away the light from before the darkness, and the darkness from before the light; Thou makest the day to pass and the night to approach, and dividest the day from the night, YHWH Tzava'oth is Thy name; El Chai, and enduring continually, mayest Thou reign over us for ever and ever.

Baruk atah, YHWH, hama'ariv aravim.

Blessed art Thou YHWH who bringeth the evening twilight.

## Ahavath Olam

With everlasting love Thou hast loved the house of Yisrael, Thy people; the Torah and commandments, statutes and judgments hast Thou taught us. Therefore, YHWH Eloheynu, when we lie down and when we rise up we will meditate on Thy statutes; yea, we will rejoice in the words of Thy Torah and in Thy commandments forever; for they are our life and the length of our days, and we will meditate on them day and night. And mayest Thou never take away Thy love from us.

Baruk atah, YHWH, ohev Amo Yisrael.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who lovest Thy people Yisrael.

El Melek Na'aman

### The Sh'ma

(shade the eyes with Tallith or hand)

## SH'MA YISRAEL: YHWH ELOHEYNU, YHWH ECHAD

Baruk shem kavod malchuto l'olam v'ed

Vahavta et YHWH Eloheyka with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be upon thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt bind them for a sign upon thine hand, and they shall be for frontlets between thine eyes. And thou shalt write them upon the door-posts of thy house, and upon thy gates.

And it shall come to pass, if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love YHWH Eloheykem, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul, that I will give the rain of your land in its season, the former rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil. And I will give grass in thy field for thy cattle, and thou shalt eat and be satisfied. Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other elohym, and worship them; and the anger of YHWH be kindled against you, and He shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and ye perish quickly from off the excellent land which YHWH giveth you. Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul; and ye shall bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. And ye shall teach them your children, talking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up. And thou shalt write them upon the doorposts of thine house, and upon thy gates: that your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, upon the land which YHWH sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of the heavens above the earth.

And YHWH spake unto Moshe, saying, Speak unto the children of Yisrael, and bid them that they make them a tzitzith upon the corners of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the tzitzith of each corner a cord of tekheileth: and it shall be unto you for a tzitzith, that ye may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of YHWH, and do them; and that ye go not about after your own heart and your own eyes, after which ye used to go astray; that ye may remember and do all my commandments, and be set-apart unto Eloheykem. I am YHWH Eloheykem, who brought you out of the land of Mitzrayim, to be your Elohym: I am YHWH Eloheykem.

**True and trustworthy is all this**, and it is established with us that He is YHWH Eloheynu, and there is none beside Him, and that we, Yisrael, are His people. It is He who redeemed us from the hand of kings, Malkeinu, who delivered us from the grasp of all tyrants; Hael, who on our behalf dealt out punishment to our adversaries, and requited all our mortal enemies; who doeth great things past finding out, yea, and wonders without number; who maintaineth our soul in life, and hath not suffered our feet to be moved; who made us overcome and conquer our enemies. and exalted our strength above all them that hated us; who wrought for us miracles and vengeance upon Pharaoh, signs and wonders in the land of the children of Ham; who in His wrath smote all the first-born of Mitzrayim, and brought forth His people Yisrael from among them to everlasting freedom; who made His children pass through the divided Yam Suf, but sank their pursuers and their enemies in its depths. Then His children beheld His might; they praised and gave thanks unto His Name, and willingly accepted His sovereignty. Moshe and the children of Yisrael sang a song unto Thee with great joy, saying, all of them,

"Mi kamokah ba'elim YHWH? Mi kamokah ne'adar b'qodesh nora tehiloth oseyh pheleh?"

Thy children beheld Thy sovereign power, as Thou didst cleave the sea before Moshe; they exclaimed, "Zeh Eli anu!" and said,"YHWH yimlok l'olam v'ed!"

And it is said, For YHWH hath delivered Ya'akob, and redeemed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he.

Baruk atah, YHWH, ga'al Yisrael.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who hast redeemed Yisrael.

**Cause us, YHWH Eloheynu**, to lie down in shalom, and raise us up, Malkeinu, unto Life. Spread over us the Sukkoth Shalomeka; direct us aright through thine own excellent counsel; save us for Thy Name's sake; be Thou a shield about us; remove from us every enemy, pestilence, sword, famine and sorrow; remove also the adversary from before us and from behind us. Shelter us beneath the shadow of Thy wings; for Thou, O El, art our Guardian and our Deliverer; yea, Thou, O El, art a gracious and merciful King; and guard our going and our coming unto life and unto shalom from this time forth and for evermore; yea, spread over us the Sukkoth Shalomeka. Baruk atah, YHWH, haporeys Sukkoth Shalom aleynu v'al kal amo Yisrael v'al Yerushalayim. Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who spreads the Tabernacle of Thy Shalom upon us and upon all Thy people Yisrael, and over Yerushalayim.

And the children of Yisrael shall keep the Shabbath, to observe the Shabbath throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant. It is a sign between me and the children of Yisrael forever, that in six days YHWH made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day He ceased from work and rested.

## The Amidah

(Stand and face East, covering the head if you wish. Take 3 steps backward, pause, then 3 steps forward)

Adonay, Siphatay tiphtach uphy yagid Tehilateka.

Adonay, open Thou my mouth and my lips shall declare Thy praise.

(\*Bow then straighten at the Name)

**\*Baruk atah, YHWH** Eloheynu Velohey aboteinu, Elohey Avraham, Elohey Yitzchak, Velohey Ya'akov; Hael Hagadol Hagibor, V'hanora, El Elyon who bestowest lovingkindnesses, and art Master of all things; who rememberest the pious deeds of the patriarchs, and in love wilt bring a redeemer to their children's children for Thy Name's sake.

O King, Helper, Saviour and Shield.

\*Baruk atah, YHWH, Magein Avraham.

\*Blessed art Thou, YHWH, the Shield of Avraham.

Thou, YHWH, art mighty forever, Thou revivest the dead, Thou art mighty to save.

(From the day after Simchat Torah until the Eve of Passover, say: "Thou causest the wind to blow and the rain to fall.")

Thou sustainest the living with lovingkindness, revivest the dead with great mercy, supportest the falling, healest the sick, freest the bound, and keepest Thy faith to them that sleep in the dust. Who is like unto Thee, Master of mighty acts, and who resembleth Thee, O King, who orderest death and restores life, and causest salvation to spring forth? Yea, faithful art Thou to revive the dead.

Baruk atah YHWH m'chayeh hameytim.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH who revivest the dead.

Thou art set-apart, and Thy Name is set-apart, and the Qedoshym praise Thee daily.

Baruk atah YHWH Hael	Blessed art Thou YHWH the El
haqadosh.	who is set-apart.

Thou didst sanctify the seventh day unto Thy Name, as the end of the creation of heaven and earth; Thou didst bless it above all days, and didst sanctify it above all seasons; and thus it is written in Thy Torah: And the heaven and the earth were finished and all their host. And on the seventh day Elohym had finished His work which He had made; and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had made. And Elohym blessed the seventh day, and He sanctified it, because He rested thereon from all His work which Elohym had created and made.

Eloheynu and Elohym of our fathers, accept our rest; sanctify us by Thy commandments, and grant our portion in Thy Torah; satisfy us with Thy excellence and gladden us with Thy salvation; purify our hearts to serve Thee in truth; and in Thy love and favor, YHWH Eloheynu, let us inherit Thy set-apart Shabbath; and may Yisrael, who sanctifieth Thy Name rest thereon.

Baruk atah, YHWH, m'qadesh Hashabbath.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who sanctifies the Shabbath.

Accept, YHWH Eloheynu, Thy people Yisrael and their prayer; restore the service to the inner sanctuary of Thy most set-apart house; receive in love and favour both the offerings of Yisrael and their prayer; and may the worship of Thy people Yisrael be ever acceptable unto Thee. And, let our eyes behold Thy return in mercy to Zion.

Baruk atah, YHWH hamachazir Shekinato l'Tzion.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who restorest Thy Presence unto Zion.

#### (\*Bow, then straighten at the name)

**\*We give thanks unto Thee**, for Thou art YHWH Eloheynu and the Elohym of our fathers forever and ever; Thou art the Rock of our lives, the Shield of our salvation through every generation. We will give thanks unto Thee and declare Thy praise for our lives which are committed unto Thy hand, and for our souls which are in Thy charge, and for Thy miracles, which are daily with us, and for Thy wonders and Thy benefits, which are wrought at all times, evening, morn and noon. O Thou who art all-excellent, whose mercies fail not; Thou, merciful Being, whose lovingkindnesses never cease, we have ever hoped in Thee.

For all these acts Thy Name, Malkeinu, shall be continually blessed and exalted for ever and ever.

And everything that liveth shall give thanks unto Thee forever, and shall praise Thy Name in truth, Hael, our salvation and our help.

*Baruk atah, YHWH, hatov	*Blessed art Thou, YHWH,
Shimka Ul'ka na'eh l'hudoth.	whose Name is Excellence, and
	unto whom it is becoming to give
	thanks.

**Grant great shalom unto Yisrael** Thy people for ever; for Thou art the sovereign Master of all shalom; and may it be excellent in Thy sight to bless Thy people Yisrael at all times and in every hour with Thy shalom.

Baruk atah YHWH, hamvorak et	
Amo Yisrael b'shalom	

Blessed art Thou YHWH, who blesses Thy people Yisrael with peace.

**Elohay! guard my tongue from evil** and my lips from speaking guile; and to such as curse me let my soul be dumb, yea, let my soul be unto all as the dust. Open my heart to Thy Torah, and let my soul pursue Thy commandments. If any design evil against me, speedily make their counsel of no effect, and frustrate their designs. Do it for the sake of Thy Name, do it for the sake of Thy power, do it for the sake of Thy set-apartness, do it for the sake of Thy Torah, in order that Thy beloved ones may be delivered. O save by Thy right and and answer me.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable before Thee, O YHWH, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Take 3 steps back, then bow left, right, and center)

He who maketh peace in His high places, may He make peace for us and for all Yisrael, and say ye, Amein.

(Spoken softly)

May it be Thy will, YHWH Eloheynu and Elohym of our fathers, that the Temple be speedily rebuilt in our days, and grant our portion in Thy Torah. And there we will serve Thee with awe, as in the days of old, and as in ancient years. Then shall the offering of Yehudah, Yerushalayim and all of Yisrael be pleasant unto YHWH, as in the days of old, and as in ancient years.

(Take 3 steps forward. All may be seated)

## Synagogue Qiddush

(The Synagogue Qiddish is omitted when prayers are not said in congregation)

*Reader-*-Baruk atah, YHWH Eloheynu and Elohym of our fathers, Elohym of Avraham, Elohym of Yitzchak and Elohym of Ya'akob, the great El, the Mighty One, the Awesome One, El Elyon, Master of heaven and earth.

**Reader and Cong.--**He with His word was a shield to our forefathers, and by His bidding will revive the dead; the set-apart El, like unto whom there is none; who giveth rest to His people on His set-apart Shabbath day, because He took pleasure in them to grant them rest. Him we will serve with fear and awe, and daily and constantly we will give thanks unto His Name in the fitting forms of blessings. He is the El to whom thanksgivings are due, Adon Hashalom, who sanctifieth the Shabbath and blesseth the seventh day, and in set-apartness giveth rest unto a people sated with delights, in remembrance of the creation.

*Reader.*--Eloheynu and Elohym of our fathers, accept our rest; sanctify us by Thy commandments, and grant our portion in Thy Torah; satisfy us with Thy excellence, and gladden us with Thy salvation; purify our hearts to serve Thee in truth; and in Thy love and favor, YHWH Eloheynu, let us inherit Thy set-apart Shabbath; and may Yisrael, who sanctifieth Thy name, rest thereon.

Baruk atah, YHWH, m'qadesh Hashabbath.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who sanctifies the Shabbath.

(The reader, taking a cup of wine in his hand, says:)

Baruk atah, YHWH Eloheynu Melek Haolam, boray pri hagafen. Blessed art Thou, YHWH Eloheynu, King of the Universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH Eloheynu, King of the Universe, who hast sanctified us by Thy mitzvoth and hast taken pleasure in us, and in love and favor hast given us Thy set-apart Shabbath as an inheritance, a memorial of the creation-that day being also the first of the set-apart convocations, in remembrance of the departure from Mitzrayim. For Thou hast chosen us and sanctified us above all nations, and in love and favor hast given us Thy set-apart Shabbath as an inheritance.

Baruk atah, YHWH, m'qadesh Hashabbath.

Blessed art Thou, YHWH, who sanctifies the Shabbath.

## The Aleynu

(All stand. At \* bend the knees)

It is our duty to praise L'adon of all things, to ascribe greatness to Him who formed the world in the beginning; since He hath not made us like the nations of other lands, and hath not placed us like other families of the earth; since He hath not assigned unto us a portion as unto them, nor a lot as unto all their multitude. For we \*bend the knee and offer worship and thanks before Melek Melekey hamelekim, Haqadosh, baruk Hu, who stretched forth the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth, the seat of whose esteem is in the heavens above, and the abode of whose might is in the loftiest heights. He is Eloheynu; there is none else: in truth He is Malkeinu; there is none besides Him; as it is written in the Torah, And thou shalt know this day, and lay it to thine heart, that YHWH He is the Elohym in heaven above and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.

We therefore hope in Thee, YHWH Eloheynu, that we may speedily behold the esteem of Thy might; when Thou wilt remove all the abominations from the earth, and heathendom will be utterly destroyed; when the world will be perfected under the Kingdom of the Almighty, and all the children of flesh will call upon Thy Name; when Thou wilt turn unto Thyself all the evil-doers upon earth. Let all the inhabitants of the world perceive and know that unto Thee every knee must bow, every tongue must swear allegiance. Before Thee, YHWH Eloheynu, let them bow and worship; and unto Thy esteemed Name let them give honour; let them all accept the yoke of Thy Kingdom, and do Thou reign over them speedily, and for ever and ever. For the kingdom is Thine, and to all eternity Thou wilt reign in esteem; as it is written in Thy Torah, YHWH yimlok l'olam v'ed. And it is said, And YHWH shall be King over all the earth: in that day shall YHWH be one and His name one.

## The Mourner's Qaddish

*Mourner--***Magnified and sanctified** be His great Name in the world which He hath created according to His will. May He establish His kingdom during your life and during your days, and during the life of all the house of Yisrael, even speedily and at a near time, and say ye, Amein.

Cong. And Mourner--Let His great Name be blessed forever to all eternity.

*Mourner*--Blessed, praised and esteemed, exalted, extolled and honored, magnified and lauded be the Name of the Set-apart One, blessed be He; though He be high above all the blessings and hymns, praises and consolations, which are uttered in the world; and say ye, Amein.

May there be abundant shalom from heaven, and life for us and all Yisrael; and say ye, Amein.

He who makes shalom in His high places, may He make shalom for us and for all Yisrael; and say ye, Amein.

## **Avinu Prayer**

**Our Father**, who art in heaven, sanctified be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from all evil. Amein. Avinu sh'bashamayim, yitqadesh shimka, veyitbarech malkutka, retsonka yih'yay asuee b'shamayim uva'aretz, vetiten lachmaynu temidit, umechol lanu chatotaynu ka'asher anachnu mochalim lachotim lanu, v'al teviaynu liday nissayon, v'shomraynu mikol rah. Amein.

### The Blessing of the Children

(Place hands on the children's heads)

(To Sons say:)

Y'simka Elohym K'ephraim, V'k'menasheh. YHWH make thee as Ephraim and Manasseh.

(To Daughters say :)

Y'simayk Elohym K'sarah, Rivqah, Rachel, V'leah. YHWH make thee as Sarah, Rebekah, Rachel and Leah.

(*To Sons and Daughters:*) In the Temple, the kohanym used to say:

Y'vareka YHWH v'yishm'reka. Ya'ayr YHWH Panav ayleka vichuneka. Yissa YHWH Panav ayleka v'yasaym l'ka shalom. YHWH bless thee and keep thee; YHWH make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee; YHWH turn His face unto thee, and give thee peace.

#### **Closing Prayer**

(Some say the following in the Home:)

We give thanks unto Thee, YHWH Eloheynu and the Elohym of our fathers, for all the kindnesses that Thou hast shown unto us, and that Thou art ready to show unto us and to all Thy creatures. May it be Thy will, Adon hashalom Av Harachamim, to bless us and to ordain for us a happy and peaceful life. Make we and our families worthy to find favour and excellent understanding in Thine eyes and in the eyes of all who behold us, so that we are deserving to welcome each Shabbath amid ever-growing joy and ever-waning wrongdoing. Oh, remove from we and from our households sickness and suffering and poverty. Strengthen our better nature within us, so that we serve Thee in truth, in reverence and in love. We beseech Thee, Melek Hakavod, Adon Hashalom, may the Shabbath angels, the heavenly angels of shalom, by your leave Adonay, usher in unto us happiness and blessing, life and shalom, from now and for evermore. Amein.

(All may be seated)

## **Shalom Aleikhem**

Shalom aleikhem, malakey hashareyt, malakey Elyon, Mi Melek Malakey hamalekim, Haqadosh baruk Hu.

Boachem l'shalom, malakey hashalom, malakey Elyon, Mi Melek Malakey hamalekim, Haqadosh baruk Hu.

Barkuni l'shalom, malakey hashalom, malakey Elyon, Mi Melek Malakey hamalekim, Haqadosh baruk Hu.

Tzeyt-chem l'shalom, malakey hashalom, malakey Elyon, Mi Melek Malakey hamalekim, Haqadosh baruk Hu. Peace be unto you, ye ministering angels, messengers of the Most High, the supreme King of kings, set-apart and blessed is He.

May your coming be in peace, messengers of the Most High, the supreme King of kings, setapart and blessed is He.

Bless me with peace, ye messengers of the Most High, the supreme King of kings, setapart and blessed is He.

May your departure be in peace, ye messengers of the Most High, the supreme King of kings, set-apart and blessed is He.

#### **Eshet Chayil**

(To be said over one's wife)

A woman of worth who can find? For her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband trusteth in her; and he shall have no lack of gain. She doeth him excellence and not evil all the days of her life. She seeketh wool and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. She is like the merchantships; she bringeth her food from afar. She riseth also while it is yet night, and giveth food to her household, and their task to her maidens. She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth a vineyard. She girdeth her loins with strength, and maketh strong her arms. She perceiveth that her merchandise is excellent: her lamp goeth not out by night. She putteth her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she putteth forth her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of the snow for her household; for all her household are clothed with scarlet. She maketh for herself coverings of tapestry; her clothing is fine linen and purple. Her husband is known in

the gates, when he sitteth among the elders of the land. She maketh linen garments and selleth them; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant. Strength and dignity are her clothing; and she laugheth at the time to come. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and the law of lovingkindness is on her tongue. She looketh well to the ways of her household, and eateth not the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praiseth her, saying: Many daughters have done worthily, but thou excellest them all. Favor is false, and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth YHWH, she shall be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her works praise her in the gates.

#### The Happy Man

(to be said over one's husband)

**Halleluyah!** Happy is the man who fears YHWH, who has greatly delighted in His commands. Mighty in the earth shall be his seed, the generation of the straight ones shall be blessed. Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness is standing forever. Light has risen in the darkness to the straight ones, those showing grace, the compassionate, and the righteous. Excellent is a man showing grace and lending, He sustains his matters in right judgement, for he is never shaken. The righteous are remembered forever. He is not afraid of an evil report, his heart is steadfast, trusting in YHWH. His heart is upheld, he is not afraid, while he looks on his adversaries. He scattered abroad, he gave to the poor, his righteousness is standing forever. His horn is exalted with esteem. The wrong one sees it and shall be vexed; he gnashes his teeth and shall melt. The desire of the wrong ones does perish.

#### Birkat Hamazon

(To be said after the Sabbath meal)

**Blessed art Thou, YHWH Eloheynu**, King of the Universe, who feeds the whole world with Thy excellence, with grace, with loving-kindness and tender mercy; Thou givest food to all flesh, for Thy loving-kindness endures forever. Through Thy great excellence food hath never failed us: O may it not fail us forever and ever for Thy great Name's sake, since Thou nourishes and sustains all beings and doest excellence unto all, and provides food for all Thy creatures whom Thou hast created.

Baruk atah YHWH hazon et hakol.

Blessed art Thou YHWH who gives food unto all.

We thank Thee, YHWH Eloheynu, because Thou didst give as an heritage unto our fathers a desirable, excellent and ample land, the covenant and Torah, and food in plenty.

Baruk atah YHWH al ha'aretz hatovah v'al hamazon.

Blessed art Thou YHWH for the excellent land and for the food.

Our Father in heaven we thank you for our rest. Let us inherit the day which shall be wholly a Shabbath, and may all Yisrael find peace in that day. Make us worthy of the days of the Messiah and the life of the world to come. He who makes peace in His high places, may He make peace for us and for all Yisrael, and let us say Amein.

Avinu sh'bashamayim, we ask all these things in the name of your Messiah, Adoneinu Yehoshua Hamashiach, Amein v'amein.

#### The Conclusion of the Shabbath

(To be read just prior to Havdalah)

## Of David.

**Blessed be YHWH my rock**, who teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight: my lovingkindness, and my fortress, my stronghold, and my deliverer; my shield, and he in whom I take refuge: who subdueth peoples under me. YHWH, what is man, that thou regardest him? or the son of man, that thou takest account of him? Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that passeth away. Bow thy heavens, YHWH, and come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke. Flash forth lightning, and scatter them: send out thine arrows, and confuse them. Stretch forth thine hands from above; rescue me, and deliver me out of great waters, out of the hand of strangers; whose mouth speaketh deceit, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood. I will sing a new song unto thee, Elohym: upon a harp of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee. It is he that give h salvation unto kings: who rescueth David his servant from the hurtful sword. Rescue me, and deliver me out of the hand of strangers, whose mouth speaketh deceit and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood: - that our sons shall be as plants grown tall in their youth, and our daughters as corner-pillars hewn after the fashion of a palace; when our garners are full, affording all manner of store, and our sheep bring forth by thousands, yea, are multiplied by tens of thousands in our fields; when our princes bear their burdens: when there is no breach and no surrender, and no lamentation in our streets; happy is the people, that is thus favoured: yea, happy is the people whose Elohym is YHWH.

#### For the Chief Musician; on Neginoth. A Song.

May Elohym be gracious unto us, and bless us; may he cause his face to shine upon us. (Selah.) That thy way may be known upon the earth, thy salvation among all nations. Let the peoples give thanks unto thee, O Elohym; let all the peoples give thanks unto thee. O let the nations rejoice and exult: for thou wilt judge the peoples with equity, and lead the nations upon the earth. (Selah.) Let the peoples give thanks unto thee, O Elohym; let all the peoples give thanks unto thee. The earth hath yieled her increase.YHWH our Elohym, shall bless us. Elohym shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him. And he being merciful, forgiveth iniquity, and destroyeth not: yea, many a time he turneth his anger away, and doth not stir up all his wrath. Save, YHWH: may the King answer us on the day when we call.

And let the graciousness of YHWH our Elohym be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands do thou establish.

#### Tehillah 91.

He that dwelleth in the shelter of the Most High abideth under the shadow of the Almighty. I say of YHWH, He is my refuge and my fortress; my Elohym, in whom I trust. For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his pinions, and under his wings shalt thou take refuge: his truth shall be a shield and armour. Thou shalt not be afraid of the terror by night, nor of the arrow that flieth by day; of the pestilence that stalketh in darkness, nor of the destruction that ravageth at noonday. A thousand may fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand, yet it shall not come nigh unto thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou look on, and see the retribution of the wicked. For thou, YHWH, art my refuge. Thou hast made the Most High thy dwelling place; there shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any scourge come nigh thy tent. For he shall give his messengers charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee upon their hands, lest thou strike thy foot against a stone. Thou shalt tread upon the lion and the adder; upon the young lion and the serpent shalt thou trample. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he knoweth my Name. When he calleth upon me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble: I will deliver him and honour him. With length of days will I satisfy him, and will let him see my salvation. Erek yamiym, ahsbiyeyhu v'areihu b'shuaty.

Happy is everyone that feareth YHWH, that walketh in his ways. When thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands, happy shalt thou be, and it shall be well with thee. Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine, in the recesses of thine house: thy children like olive plants, round about thy table. Behold thus shall the man be blessed that feareth YHWH. May YHWH bless thee out of Zion: mayest thou see the excellence of Yerushalayim all the days of thy life. Yea, mayest thou see thy children's children. Shalom be upon Yisrael.

#### The Havdalah Service

(To be said after sunset at the end of a Shabbath or High Day. At the conclusion of festivals, use only the blessings marked with an asterisk\*)

(A cup of wine is taken in the right hand, and the following is said:)

**Behold, El is my salvation**; I will trust, and will not be afraid: for Yah, YHWH is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation. Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation. Salvation belongeth unto YHWH: Thy blessing be upon thy people. (Selah.) YHWH Tzava'oth is with us; the Elohym of Ya'akov is our refuge. (Selah.) The Yehudym had light

and joy and gladness and honour. (So be it with us.) I will lift the cup of salvation and call upon the Name of YHWH.

Baruk atah YHWH Eloheynu, Melek Haolam, boray pri hagafen. \*Blessed art thou, O YHWH our Elohym, King of the Universe, who createst the fruit of the vine.

(The spice-box is taken, and the following is said:)

Baruk atah YHWH Eloheynu, Melek Haolam, boray minay b'sameem. Blessed art thou, O YHWH our Elohym, King of the Universe, who createst diverse kinds of spices.

(A candle is lit and the following is said:)

Baruk atah YHWH Eloheynu,	Blessed art thou, O YHWH our
Melek Haolam, boray moray	Elohym, King of the Universe,
haeish.	who createst the light of the fire.

(The cup is again taken in the right hand, and the following is said:)

Baruk atah YHWH Eloheynu, Melek Haolam, hamavdil bayn qodesh l'chol bayn or l'choshek bayn Yisrael laamim bayn yom hash'vy'y l'shashet y'may hamaaseh. Baruk atah YHWH Hamavdil bayn qodesh l'chol.

\*Blessed art thou. O YHWH our Elohym, King of the Universe, who makest a distinction between set-apart and profane, between light and darkness. between Yisrael and the heathen nations. between the seventh day and the six working days. Blessed art thou, YHWH, who makest 0 а distinction between set-apart and profane.

#### **L'Chayim!** (The cup is finished and the Shabbath is past)

## Hamavdil

May He who sets the set-apart and profane Apart, blot out our sins before His sight, And make our numbers as the sand again, And as the stars of night.

The day declineth like the palm-tree's shade; I call to El, who leadeth me aright. The morning cometh—thus the watchman said— Although it now be night.

Thy righteousness is like Mount Tabor vast; O let my sins be wholly put to flight, Be they as yesterday, forever past, And as a watch at night.

The peaceful season of my prayers is o'er, Would that again had rest my soul contrite, Weary am I of groaning evermore, I melt in tears each night.

Hear thou my voice, be it not vainly sped, Open to me the gates of lofty height; For with the evening dew is filled my head, My locks with drops of night.

O grant me Thy redemption while I pray, Be Thou entreated, YHWH of power and might, In twilight, in the evening of the day, Yea, in the gloom of night. Save me, O YHWH, my Elohym, I call on Thee! Make me to know the path of life aright, From sore and wasting sickness snatch Thou me, Lead me from day to night.

We are like clay within Thy hand, O YHWH, Forgive us all our sins both grave and light, And day shall unto day pour forth Thy word, And night declare to night.

## Prayer for the New Week

**Sovereign of the Universe**, Father of mercy and forgiveness, grant that we begin the working days which are drawing nigh unto us, in peace; freed from all sin and transgression; cleansed from all iniquity, trespass and wickedness; and clinging to the study of thy Teaching, and to the performance of excellent deeds. Cause us to hear in the coming week tidings of joy and gladness. May there not arise in the heart of any man envy of us, nor in us envy of any man. O, our King, our Elohym, Father of mercy, bless and prosper the work of our hands. And all who cherish towards us and thy people Yisrael thoughts of excellence, strengthen and prosper them, and fulfil their purposes; but all who devise against us, and thy people Yisrael, plans which are not for excellence, Oh frustrate them and make their designs of none effect; as it is said, "Take counsel together, and it shall be brought to naught; speak the word, and it shall not stand; for El is with us." Open unto us, Father of mercies and Master of forgiveness, in this week and in the weeks to come, the gates of light and blessing, of redemption and salvation, of heavenly help and rejoicing, of setapartness and peace, of the study of thy Torah and of prayer. In us also let the Scripture be fulfilled: How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth excellent tidings, that announceth peace, the harbinger of excellent tidings, that announceth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy Elohym reigneth! Amen. (Selah.)

#### **Shavua Tov!**

(Have an excellent week!)





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