

## Birkat Hamazon (Passover) – Grace after the Passover meal

### **On a weekday, before Grace after Meals**

By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down, we also wept, when we remembered Zion. We hung our lyres on the willows in its midst. For those who carried us away captive required of us a song; and those who tormented us required of us mirth, saying; sing us one of the songs of Zion. How shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land? If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning. If I do not remember you, let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy. Remember, O Lord, against the Edomites, the day of Jerusalem who said; raze it, raze it, to its foundation. O daughter of Babylon, you are to be destroyed! Happy shall he be, who repays you for what you have done to us! Happy shall he be, who takes your little ones and dashes them against the rock!

### **On Passover (on the Sabbath or weekdays)**

A song of ascent: When God restored the exiles, we were like dreamers. Then our mouth filled with laughter and our tongues with joyous song. Then it was said among the nations: "God has done great things for them." God has done great things for us. And so we rejoiced. Return our exiles, God, as You return streams to the Negev. Those who sow in tears will reap in joyous song. Though one weeps will planting the measure of seed, one will return home with joyful song, bearing sheaves of grain.

We praise You, God, Ruler of the universe, Who sustains the entire world with goodness, kindness and mercy. God gives food to all creatures, for God's love is everlasting. Through God's abundant goodness we have never been in want; may we never be in want of sustenance for the sake of God's great Name. God sustains all, does good to all, and provides food for all of the creatures whom God has created. We praise You, God, Who provides food for all.

We thank You for having given a lovely, good and spacious land to our fathers; for having liberated us from the land of Egypt and freed us from the house of bondage; for Your covenant which You have sealed in our flesh, for the Torah which You have taught us; for the laws which You have made known to us; for the life, grace and loving kindness which You have bestowed upon us, and for the sustenance with which You nourish and maintain us continually, in every day, every season, and every hour.

Our God and the God of our forefathers, may there be rise, come, reach, be noted, be favored, be heard, be considered, and be remembered – the remembrance and consideration of ourselves; the remembrance of our forefathers; the remembrance of Messiah, son of David, Your servant; the remembrance of Jerusalem, the City of Your Holiness, the remembrance of Your entire people the Family of Israel— before You, for deliverance, for goodness, for grace, for kindness, and for compassion, for (good) life, and for peace on this day of Passover, the Festival of Matzot. Remember us on it, Our God, for goodness; consider us on it for blessing, and help us on it for good life. In the matter of salvation and compassion, pity, be gracious and compassionate with us and help us, for our eyes are turned on You, because You are God, the gracious and compassionate King.

May You rebuild Jerusalem, the holy city, soon and in our days. We praise You, God, Who in mercy rebuilds Jerusalem. Amen.

We praise You, God, Ruler of the universe who is our God, our holy one of blessing, our Ruler, our Mighty One, our Creator, Our Redeemer, our Maker, our Holy One, the Holy one of Jacob, our Shepherd, the Shepherd of Israel, the good Ruler who does good to all. May You continue to provide us with grace, kindness, and compassion, providing us with deliverance, prosperity and ease, life and peace, and all goodness. May we never go in want of goodness.

May the Merciful One reign over us forever and ever. May the Merciful One be extolled in heaven and on earth. May the Merciful One be praised in every generation and be glorified through us to all eternity, and be honored among us forever. May the Merciful One give us an honorable livelihood. May the Merciful One break the yoke of our exile off of our necks and lead us in dignity to our land. May the Merciful One send abundant blessing to this house and to the table at which we have eaten. May the Merciful One send us Eliyahu the prophet, of blessed memory, who will bring us good tidings of deliverance and comfort.

**At your home:** May the Merciful One bless me (my husband/my wife/my child(ren)) and all of my household.

**At another's home:** May the Merciful One bless (my father and teacher) the head of the household, and (my mother and teacher) the head of the household, their child(ren) and all of their household. Ours and all that is ours—just as our forefathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were blessed in everything, from everything, with everything. So may we be blessed all together with a perfect blessing. And let us say: Amen!

May our merit and the merit of our ancestors secure lasting peace for all of us. May we receive a blessing from God, and justice from the God of our salvation. May we find grace and favor in the sight of God and humans. May the Merciful One grant us a day that is entirely good.

**On the Sabbath:** May the Merciful One grant us a day that shall be entirely Shabbat and eternal rest. God is a tower of victory.

**On Weekdays:** May the Merciful One grant us great victories and show kindness to the anointed one, David and his descendants forever. Creator of peace above, create peace for us and all the people Israel, and let us say, Amen.

Revere God, you who are God's holy ones. For those who revere God suffer no want. Those who seek God will not lack anything that is good. Give thanks to God, for God is good; God's loving-kindness endures forever. Open Your hand and satisfy every living thing with favor. Blessed are those who trust in God, and God will become their security. I was young, I have grown older and I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor their children begging for bread. May God grant strength to God's people and bless God's people with peace.