



# This Chanukah, Spark Change

Each year, the Chanukah story reminds us that there is light, even in the darkest of times.

Our tradition beckons us to act in the face of the challenges before us: To have courage in the face of fear, to have hope in the face of anguish, to believe that good can triumph. Our world has faced innumerable obstacles this year—but just as our ancestors did, together we can seek out the light in our world.

As you light each candle this Chanukah, we invite you to say...

- 🕯 I spark **CHANGE** by kindling these candles, and letting them inspire me to change our world.
- 🕯 I spark **JOY** by savoring this tradition—an opportunity to celebrate courage and survival.
- 🕯 I spark **DIGNITY** by working to uphold the inherent worth of every human being.
- 🕯 I spark **GENEROSITY** by giving to others, from my family and friends to people in need around the globe.
- 🕯 I spark **COMMUNITY** by deepening my relationships—and expanding my circles to build kinship with people whose lives and views are different from my own.
- 🕯 I spark **ACTION** by raising my voice to fight the injustices all around us.
- 🕯 I spark **JUSTICE** by rededicating myself to *tikkun olam*—working to repair what's broken.
- 🕯 I spark **HOPE**—by persevering in my belief that a better world is possible.

## BLESSING FOR LIGHTING THE CANDLES

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

*Barukh ata Adonai, Eloheinu melekh ha'olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner shel chanukah.*

“Blessed are You, Our God, Ruler of the universe, who made us holy through Your commandments and commanded us to kindle the Chanukah lights.”

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזְמַן הַזֶּה.

*Barukh ata Adonai, Eloheinu melekh ha'olam, she'asa nisim la'avoteinu ba'yamim ha'hem ba'zman ha'ze.*

“Blessed are You, Our God, Ruler of the universe, who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time.”

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה', אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהִחְיָנוּ וְקִיְּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזְמַן הַזֶּה.

*Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu melekh ha'olam, shehecheyanu vekiyemanu vehigi'anu lazman hazeh.*

“Blessed are You, Our God, Ruler of the universe, who has kept us alive, raised us up and brought us to this moment.”



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