

# CHANUKAH BLESSINGS (ברכות)

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## As we light the candles we sing:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה

*Barukh atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melekh haolam, asher kideshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu lehadlik ner shel Chanukah.*

“Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Chanukah lights.”

## Then we say:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ וְאִמּוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזִמְנֵי הַזֶּה

*Barukh atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melekh haolam, she-asah nisim la-avoteinu v'imoteinu bayamim haheim baz'man hazeh.*

“Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors in days of old at this season.”

## On the very first night, we also add shehecheyanu:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶׁהַחַיִּינוּ וְקִיַּמְנוּ וְהִגִּיעְנוּ לְזִמְנֵי הַזֶּה

*Barukh atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melekh haolam, shehecheyanu v'kiy'manu v'higianu laz'man hazeh.*

“Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, for giving us life, for sustaining us, and for enabling us to reach this season.”