

**RECITE THE FOLLOWING BLESSINGS
BEFORE LIGHTING THE CHANUKAH CANDLES:**

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

*Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech Ha-Olam,
asher kiddeshanu bemitzvotav, vetzivanu, lehadlik ner shel Hanukkah.*

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us to kindle the Chanukah light.

**בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם
שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה.**

*Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech Ha-Olam,
she-asah nissim la-avotaynu bayamim ha-hem bazman hazeh.*

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who performed miracles for our forefathers in those days, at this time.

THE FOLLOWING BLESSING IS RECITED ON THE FIRST NIGHT ONLY:

**בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם
שֶׁהֲחַיְנוּ וְקִיְּמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לְזֶמַן הַזֶּה.**

*Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech Ha-Olam,
she-hekheyanu vekiyimanu, vehigianu lazman hazeh.*

Blessed are You, Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has granted us life, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this occasion.

**RECITE THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH AFTER LIGHTING THE
FIRST CANDLE, WHILE YOU KINDLE THE REST OF THE LIGHTS:**

**הַנִּירוֹת הַלְלוּ אֶנְחָנוּ מִדְּלִיקוֹן עַל הַנִּסִּים וְעַל הַנִּפְלְאוֹת וְעַל
הַתְּשׁוּעוֹת וְעַל הַמְּלַחְמוֹת שֶׁעָשִׂיתָ לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם
בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה עַל יְדֵי כֹהֲנֶיךָ הַקְּדוֹשִׁים. וְכָל שְׁמוֹנַת יָמֵי חֲנֻכָּה
הַנִּירוֹת הַלְלוּ קִדְּשׁ הֵם וְאִין לָנוּ רֵשׁוֹת לְהִשְׁתַּמֵּשׁ בָּהֶם אֶלָּא
לְרְאוֹתָם בְּלִבָּד כְּדֵי לְהוֹדוֹת וּלְהַלֵּל לְשִׁמְךָ הַגָּדוֹל עַל נִסְיֶיךָ וְעַל
נִפְלְאוֹתֶיךָ וְעַל יְשׁוּעוֹתֶיךָ.**

We are kindling these lights upon the miracles, the wonders, the salvations, and the battles which You [God] performed for our ancestors in those days at this season, through Your holy priests. During all eight days of Chanukah, these lights are holy, and we are not permitted to make ordinary use of them [such as reading or doing work by their light]; we are permitted only to gaze at them in order to express thanks and praise to Your great Name for Your miracles, Your wonders, and Your salvations.





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