

Shabbat Morning Worship Services: Blessings on Reading the Haftarah

Blessing Before the Reading of the Haftarah

Prior to chanting the Haftarah (a reading from Prophets or Writings that varies weekly), the reader says:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר בְּנְבִיאִים
טוֹבִים, וְרָצָה בְּדַבְרֵיהֶם הַנְּאֻמִּים בְּאֵמֶת, בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי,
הַבּוֹחֵר בַּתּוֹרָה וּבַמִּשָּׁה עֲבָדוֹ, וּבַיִשְׂרָאֵל עַמּוֹ, וּבְנְבִיאֵי
הָאֵמֶת וְצֶדֶק.

*Baruch atah, Adonai
Eloheinu, Melech haolam,
asher bachar bin'vi-im tovim,
v'ratzah v'divreihem
hane-emarim be-emet.*

*Baruch atah, Adonai, habocheh baTorah
uv'Moshe avdo, uv'Yisrael amo,
uvin'vi-ei ha-emet vatzedek.*

Praise to You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe,
who has chosen faithful prophets to speak words of truth.

Praise to You, Adonai, for the revelation of Torah, for Your servant Moses,
for Your people Israel and for prophets of truth and righteousness.

Blessing After the Reading of the Haftarah

Upon finishing the chanting of the Haftarah, the reader says:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, צוּר כָּל הָעוֹלָמִים,
צַדִּיק בְּכָל הַדּוֹרוֹת, הָאֵל הַנֶּאֱמָן הָאוֹמֵר וְעוֹשֶׂה, הַמְדַבֵּר
וּמְקַיֵּם, שְׁכָל דְּבָרָיו אֱמֶת וְצַדִּיק. עַל הַתּוֹרָה, וְעַל הָעֲבוּדָה,
וְעַל הַנְּבִיאִים, וְעַל יוֹם הַשַּׁבָּת הַזֶּה, שְׁנַתַּת לָנוּ, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ,
לְקַדְּשָׁה וְלִמְנוּחָה, לְכַבוֹד וְלִתְפִאֲרָת. עַל הַכֹּל, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ,
אֲנַחְנוּ מוֹדִים לָךְ, וּמְבָרְכִים אוֹתְךָ, יִתְבָּרַךְ שְׁמֶךָ בְּפִי כָּל
חַי תָּמִיד לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד. בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, מְקַדֵּשׁ הַשַּׁבָּת.

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech
haolam, tzur kol haolamim, tzaddik
b'chol hadorot, HaEl hane-eman,
haomeir v'oseh, ham'dabeir um'kayeim,
shekol d'varav emet vatzedek.
Al haTorah, v'al haavodah, v'al
han'vi-im, v'al yom HaShabbat hazeh,
shenatata lanu Adonai Eloheinu, lik'dushah
v'lim'nuchah, l'chavod ul'tifaret.
Al hakol Adonai Eloheinu, anachnu modim
lach, um'var'chim otach, yitbarach shimcha
b'fi kol chai tamid l'olam va-ed.
Baruch atah, Adonai, m'kadeish HaShabbat.*

Praise to You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe,
Rock of all creation, Righteous One of all generations,

the faithful God whose word is deed, whose every command is just and true.
For the Torah, for the privilege of worship, for the prophets,
and for this Shabbat that You, Adonai our God, have given us
for holiness and rest, for honor and glory: we thank and bless You.
May Your name be blessed for ever by every living being.
Praise to You, Adonai, for the Sabbath and its holiness.