

How Goodly

Ma Tovu

How goodly are your tents, O Jacob,

your dwelling places, O Israel!

And I, in Your great kindness, Shall enter Your House;

I shall prostrate myself, I shall prostrate myself

Toward Your Holy Temple in the fear of You

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O Lord, I have loved the dwelling of Your house.

And the place of the residence of Your glory.

And I will prostrate myself and bow down

I will bend the knee before the Lord, my maker.

But, as for me, may my prayer to You, O Lord,

Be in an acceptable time; God, in Your abundant kindness,

Answer me in the truth of Your salvation.

מָה טוֹבוֹ, מָה טוֹבוֹ, מָה טוֹבוֹ אֹהֲלֶיךָ יַעֲקֹב

(Ma tovu, ma tovu, ma tovu ohalekha Ya'akov)

מִשְׁכְּנֹתֶיךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל, מִשְׁכְּנֹתֶיךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל

(Mishk'notekha Yisra'el, mishk'notekha Yisra'el)

וְאֲנִי בְּרַב חַסְדֶּךָ אָבָא בֵּיתְךָ

(Va'ani b'rov hasd'kha, avo veytekha)

אֲשַׁתְּחֹוּהָ, אֲשַׁתְּחֹוּהָ

(Eshtachaveh, eshtachaveh)

אֶל הַיֵּכָל קֹדֶשְׁךָ בִּירְאָתְךָ

(El heikhal kodsh'kha b'yir'atekha)

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יְהוָה אֲהַבְתִּי מֵעוֹן בֵּיתְךָ

(Adonai ahavti m'on beitekha)

וּמְקוֹם מִשְׁכַּן כְּבוֹדְךָ

(Um'kom mishkan k'vodekha)

וְאֲנִי אֲשַׁתְּחֹוּהָ וְאֶכְרַעָהּ

(Va'ani eshtahave v'ekhra'a)

אֶבְרָכָהּ לְפָנַי יְהוָה עֲשֵׂי

(Evr'kha lifnei Adonai osi)

וְאֲנִי תַפְלִיתִי לְךָ יְהוָה עֵת רָצוֹן

(Va'ani t'filati l'kha Adonai et ratzon)

עֵת רָצוֹן אֱלֹהִים בְּרַב חַסְדֶּךָ

(Et ratzon elohim b'rov hasdekha)

עֲנֵנִי בְּאֵמֶת יִשְׁעֶךָ

(Aneini b'emet yish'ekha)