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לְמַנְצַח For the Choirmaster, a Psalm by the sons of Korach. All you nations, clap hands; sound [the *shofar*] to God with a sound of jubilation. For the Lord is most high, awesome, a great King over all the earth. He subdues peoples under us, nations beneath our feet. He chooses our heritage for us, the glory of Jacob whom He loves eternally. God ascends through *teruah*, the Lord—through the sound of the *shofar*. Sing, O sing to God; sing, O sing to our King. For God is King over all the earth; sing, O man of understanding. God reigns over the nations; God is seated on His holy throne. The most noble of the nations are gathered, the nation of the God of Abraham, for the protectors of the earth belong to God; He is greatly exalted.¹

The following verses are recited responsively. The one who blows the *shofar* leads, followed by the congregation.

Transliteration, Machzor for Rosh Hashanah Annotated Edition, page 343.

מִן From out of distress I called to God; with abounding relief, God answered me.²

קוּלִי Hear my voice in keeping with Your kindness; Lord, as is Your way, grant me life.³

רֵאשׁ The beginning of Your word is truth, and all Your righteous judgments are eternal.⁴

עֲרוֹב Guarantee Your servant goodness; do not let the wicked despoil me.⁵

שֵׁשׁ I rejoice in Your word, like one who finds great spoil.⁶

טוֹב Teach me the edifying reasons and knowledge [of Your Torah], for I believe in Your commandments.⁷

נִדְבוֹת Accept with favor, O Lord, the offerings of my lips, and teach me Your judgments.⁸

עֲלֶה God ascends through *teruah*, the Lord—through the sound of the *shofar*.⁹



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לְמַנְצַח לְבַנֵּי קִרְחַ מְזֻמֹּר: כָּל הָעַמִּים תִּקְעוּ בָהּ, הִרְיעוּ לְאֱלֹהִים בְּקוֹל רִנָּה: כִּי יי עָלִיּוֹן נוֹרָא, מִלֶּךְ גָּדוֹל עַל כָּל הָאָרֶץ: יִדְבַר עַמִּים תַּחְתִּינוּ, וְלְאֲמִים תַּחַת רַגְלֵינוּ: יִבְחַר לָנוּ אֶת נַחֲלָתֵנוּ, אֶת גְּאוֹן יַעֲקֹב אֲשֶׁר אָהַב סִלָּה: עֲלֶה אֱלֹהִים בְּתִרְוָעָה, יי בְּקוֹל שׁוֹפָר: זָמְרוּ אֱלֹהִים זָמְרוּ, זָמְרוּ לְמַלְכֵנוּ זָמְרוּ: כִּי מִלֶּךְ כָּל הָאָרֶץ אֱלֹהִים, זָמְרוּ מִשְׁפִּיל: מִלֶּךְ אֱלֹהִים עַל גּוֹיִם, אֱלֹהִים יֵשֵׁב עַל כִּסֵּא קִדְשׁוֹ: נְדִיבֵי עַמִּים נֶאֱסָפוּ, עִם אֱלֹהֵי אַבְרָהָם, כִּי לְאֱלֹהִים מִגִּנֵּי אָרֶץ, מֵאֵד נִעְלָה:¹

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מִן הַמִּצַּר קָרָאתִי יְהוָה, עֲנֵנִי בַמַּרְחָב יְהוָה:²

קוּלִי שְׁמָעָה כְּחֶסֶדְךָ יי, כְּמִשְׁפָּטֶיךָ חִינֵי:³

רֵאשׁ דְּבַרְךָ אֱמֶת, וְלַעוֹלָם כָּל מִשְׁפָּט צְדָקָה:⁴

עֲרוֹב עֲבֹדְךָ לְטוֹב, אֵל יַעֲשֶׂקֵנִי זָדִים:⁵

שֵׁשׁ אֲנֹכִי עַל אֲמַרְתֶּךָ, כְּמוֹצֵא שָׁלָל רָב:⁶

טוֹב טַעַם וְדַעַת לְמַדְנִי, כִּי בְּמִצְוֹתֶיךָ הָאֵמָנְתִּי:⁷

נִדְבוֹת כִּי רָצָה נָא יי, וּמִשְׁפָּטֶיךָ לְמַדְנִי:⁸

עֲלֶה אֱלֹהִים בְּתִרְוָעָה, יי בְּקוֹל שׁוֹפָר:⁹

1. Psalm 47. 2. Ibid. 118:5. 3. Ibid. 119:149. 4. Ibid. 119:160. 5. Ibid. 119:122. 6. Ibid. 119:162. 7. Ibid. 119:66. 8. Ibid. 119:108. 9. Ibid. 47:6.

The one who blows the *shofar* recites the following prayer in an undertone.

יהי May it be Your will, Lord our God and God of our fathers, the God of judgment, in the merit of these Names which are formed from the initials of the words: **אֵל נָא קְרַב תְּשׁוּעַת מְצַפֶּיךָ**, **פְּחֻדְךָ סָר תּוֹצִיאֵם מִמַּאֲסָר**, **פְּדָה סוֹעִים פֶּתַח סוֹמִים יְמִינְךָ מְצַפִּים**, **נְפוּצִים סְמוּךְ יְהוָה מְפַלְגִים** (O God, we beseech You, bring close the salvation of those who wait eagerly for You. Watch over those who fear You; take them out of imprisonment. Redeem the storm-beaten, open the [eyes of the] sightless who yearn for Your right hand. Save the ensnared, gather the dispersed; make near, O God, those who are distant), to tear asunder the screens and the accusers which separate between You and Your people Israel. I exalt You, my God, the King of judgment who hears the sound of the *shofar* of Your people Israel with mercy.

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ברוך Blessed are You, Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments and commanded us to hear the sound of the *shofar*. (Cong: Amen)

ברוך Blessed are You, Lord our God, King of the universe, who has granted us life, sustained us and enabled us to reach this occasion. (Cong: Amen)

TEKIAH SHEVARIM-TERUAH TEKIAH
 TEKIAH SHEVARIM-TERUAH TEKIAH
 TEKIAH SHEVARIM-TERUAH TEKIAH

Confess silently.

TEKIAH SHEVARIM TEKIAH
 TEKIAH SHEVARIM TEKIAH
 TEKIAH SHEVARIM TEKIAH

Confess silently.

TEKIAH TERUAH TEKIAH
 TEKIAH TERUAH TEKIAH
 TEKIAH TERUAH TEKIAH-GEDOLAH

The one who blows the *shofar* recites the following prayer in an undertone.

יְהִי רְצוֹן מִלְּפָנֶיךָ יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֱלֹהֵי אֲבוֹתֵינוּ אֱלֹהֵי הַמְּשַׁפֵּט שְׂבוּזוֹת אֱלֹהֵי הַשְּׁמוֹת הַיּוֹצִיאִים מִרְאֵשֵׁי תְבוֹת אֵל נָא קְרַב תְּשׁוּעַת מְצַפֶּיךָ, פְּחֻדְךָ סָר תּוֹצִיאֵם מִמַּאֲסָר, פְּדָה סוֹעִים פֶּתַח סוֹמִים יְמִינְךָ מְצַפִּים, דְּלֵה יוֹקְשִׁים וְקַבֵּץ נְפוּצִים סְמוּךְ יְהוָה מְפַלְגִים, שְׁתַּקְרַע הַמַּסְכִּים וְהַמְקַטְרוּגִים אֲשֶׁר הֵם מְבַדִּילִים בֵּינְךָ וּבֵין עַמְּךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל. אַרְוַמְךָ אֱלֹהֵי הַמְּלֶכֶת הַמְּשַׁפֵּט שׁוֹמֵעַ קוֹל תְּרוּעַת עַמְּךָ יִשְׂרָאֵל בְּרַחֲמִים:

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ברוך אתה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מְלֶכֶת הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִוָּנוּ לְשִׁמּוֹעַ קוֹל שׁוֹפָר: (Cong.—אָמוֹ)

ברוך אתה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מְלֶכֶת הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחַיִּים וְקִיּוּמָנוּ וְהַנִּיעָנוּ לְזִמְנֵי הַיּוֹם: (Cong.—אָמוֹ)

תקיעה. שברים-תרועה. תקיעה.
 תקיעה. שברים-תרועה. תקיעה.
 תקיעה. שברים-תרועה. תקיעה.

Confess silently.

תקיעה. שברים. תקיעה.
 תקיעה. שברים. תקיעה.
 תקיעה. שברים. תקיעה.

Confess silently.

תקיעה. תרועה. תקיעה.
 תקיעה. תרועה. תקיעה.
 תקיעה. תרועה. תקיעה גדולה:

The one who sounded the *shofar* and the congregation recite the following in an undertone:

ובכן And so may it be Your will, Lord our God and God of our fathers, that the angels that are formed from the [blowing of the] *shofar*; and from the *tekiah*, the *shevarim*, the *teruah*, and the *tekiah*; and from the *tekiah-shevarim-teruah-tekiah*; and from the *tekiah-shevarim-tekiah*; and from the *tekiah-teruah-tekiah*, ascend before the Throne of Your Glory and intercede favorably in our behalf to atone for all our sins.

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Transliteration in the Machzor for Rosh Hashanah Annotated Edition, page 343.

אשרי Fortunate is the people who know the sound of the *shofar*; Lord, they walk in the light of Your countenance.¹

בשמך They rejoice in Your Name all day, and they are exalted through Your righteousness.²

כי Indeed, You are the splendor of their might, and in Your goodwill our glory is exalted.³



The one who sounded the *shofar* and the congregation recite the following in an undertone:

ובכן יהי רצון מלפניך יי אלהינו ואלהי אבותינו שיעלו
אלו המלאכים היוצאים מן השופר ומן התקיעה
ומן השברים ומן התרועה ומן התקיעה ומן קשר"ק ומן
תש"ק ומן קר"ק לפני כסא כבודך ומליצו טוב בעדנו
לכפר על כל חטאתינו:

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אשרי העם ידעי תרועה, יי באור פניך יהלכון:¹
בשמך יגילון כל היום, ובצדקתך ירומו:²
כי תפארת עזמו אתה, ובוצונך תרום קרננו:³



1. Psalms 89:16. 2. Ibid. 89:17. 3. Ibid. 89:18.