

## Hal'lu Eil B'kodsho

הַלְלוּהוּ, הַלְלוּ אֵל בְּקֹדֶשׁוֹ, הַלְלוּהוּ בְּרִקְיעַ עֲזוֹ:  
הַלְלוּהוּ בְּגְבוּרָתוֹ, הַלְלוּהוּ כְּרַב גְּדֻלוֹ:  
הַלְלוּהוּ בְּתַקַּע שׁוֹפָר, הַלְלוּהוּ בְּנִבְל וְכִנּוֹר:  
הַלְלוּהוּ בְּתוֹף וּמְחֹל, הַלְלוּהוּ בְּמִנִּים וְעִגְבִּי:  
הַלְלוּהוּ בְּצִלְצְלֵי שָׁמַע, הַלְלוּהוּ בְּצִלְצְלֵי תְרוּעָה:  
כָּל הַנְּשָׁמָה תְהִלֵּל יְהוָה הַלְלוּהוּ.  
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Ha-l'lu-ya,  
Ha-l'lu eil b'kod-sho, ha-l'lu-hu bir-kia u-zo.  
Ha-l'lu-hu vig'vu-ro-tav, ha-l'lu-hu k'rov gud-lo.  
Ha-l'lu-hu b'tei-ka sho-far, ha-l'lu-hu b'nei-vel v'khi-nor.  
Ha-l'lu-hu b'tof u'ma-khol, ha-l'lu-hu b'mi-nim v'u-gav.  
Ha-l'lu-hu v'tzil-tz'lei sha-ma, ha-l'lu-hu b'tzil-tz'lei t'rua.  
Kol han-sha-ma t'ha-leil ya ha-l'lu-ya.

Praise God. Praise the Almighty in the Sanctuary, praise God in the firmament of God's power. Praise God for God's mighty acts, praise God according to the bounty of God's greatness. Praise God with a blast of the shofar, praise God with a lyre and a harp. Praise God with drum and with dance, praise God with stringed (instruments) and flute. Praise God with cymbals resounding, praise God with cymbals arousing. Let all souls praise God. Halleluyah! Let all souls praise God. Halleluyah!

## D'rash

**Praise God**—With word and deed, boast of God's majesty and power to those whose minds and hearts are open. **Praise the Almighty in the Sanctuary**—Praise God in all places where His Holy Name is sanctified by action that uplifts life. **Praise God in the firmament of God's power**—Praise God in all places where the order and unity of creation, from the molecular building blocks of matter to the wheeling constellations of the cosmos, is revealed. **Praise God for God's mighty acts, praise God according to the bounty of God's greatness**—Look into a wilderness night sky, ride the roiling waves of a stormy sea, resonate to the trembling of an earthquake, and acknowledge the power that is masterminding creation. **Praise God with a blast of the shofar, praise God with a lyre and a harp**—The shofar calls us to do God's will; the harp and lyre help us contemplate our moral and ethical abilities. **Praise God with a drum and with dance, praise God with stringed (instruments) and flute**—Our praises must not be solitary and silent; they must be communal and joyful to have useful effect; so we are to dance and sing our praises. **Praise God with cymbals resounding, praise God with cymbals arousing**—Let us stir ourselves to broadcast the benchmark of our peoplehood to all the nations. **Let all souls praise God**—May each of us, with every breath, recognize the presence of God in every facet of Creation.

## Iyun Tefilla

### GOD IN ALL THINGS

How could heaven  
Be contained  
In a wildflower?  
Surely God's touch  
Is there  
Waking the bloom,  
But not the Hand.  
Nor could the heavens

Themselves,  
That blue bowl  
For all the stars,  
Contain It.  
As the blossom strives  
To turn itself  
Out of the seed,  
Let me strive  
To become  
The vessel  
That reveals  
Your touch.

\* Psalm 150.

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