

Psalm 96

Shi·ru IA·do·nai shir cha-dash,
shi·ru IA·do·nai kol ha·a·retz.

Shi·ru IA·do·nai ba·r'chu sh'mo,
ba·s'ru mi·yom l'yom y'shu·a·to.
Sa·p'ru va·go·yim k'vo·do,
b'chol ha·a·mim nif·l'o·tav.

Ki ga·dol A·do·nai u·m'hu·lal m'od,
no·ra hu al kol e·lo·him.
Ki kol e·lo·hei ha·a·mim e·li·lim,
vA·do·nai sha·ma·yim a·sh.

Hod v'ha·dar l'fa·nav.
oz v'tif·e·ret b'mik·da·sho.

Ha·vu IA·do·nai mish·p'chot a·mim,
Ha·vu IA·do·nai ka·vod va·oz.
Ha·vu IA·do·nai k'vod sh'mo,
s'u min·chah u·vo·u l'chatz·ro·tav.

Hish·ta·cha·vu IA·do·nai b'had·rat ko·desh
Chi·lu mi·pa·nav kol ha·a·retz.
Im·ru va·go·yim A·do·nai ma·lach.
Af ti·kon tei·veil bal ti·mot.
Ya·din a·mim b'mei·sha·rim.

Yis·m'chu ha·sha·ma·yim v'ta·geil ha·a·retz,
Yir·am ha·yam u·m'lo·o,
Ya·a·loz sa·dai v'chol a·sher bo
az y'ra·n'nu kol a·tzei ya·ar ←

❖ li·f'nei A·do·nai ki va,
ki va li·sh'pot ha·a·retz.
Yish·pot tei·veil b'tze·dek
v'a·mim be·e·mu·na·to.

שִׁירוּ לַיְיָ שִׁיר חֲדָשׁ,
שִׁירוּ לַיְיָ כָּל הָאָרֶץ :

שִׁירוּ לַיְיָ בְּרַכּוּ שְׁמוֹ
בַּשָּׁרוּ מִיוֹם לַיּוֹם יְשׁוּעָתוֹ :
סַפְּרוּ בַּגּוֹיִם כְּבוֹדוֹ
בְּכָל הָעַמִּים נִפְלְאוֹתָיו :

כִּי גָדוֹל יְיָ וּמְהֻלָּל מְאֹד
נוֹרָא הוּא עַל כָּל אֱלֹהִים :
כִּי כָּל אֱלֹהֵי הָעַמִּים אֱלִילִים
וַיְיָ שָׁמַיִם עָשָׂה :

הוֹד וְהַדָּר לְפָנָיו
עוֹז וְתִפְאֵרֶת בְּמִקְדָּשׁוֹ :

הָבוּ לַיְיָ מִשְׁפָּחוֹת עַמִּים,
הָבוּ לַיְיָ כְּבוֹד וְעוֹז :
הָבוּ לַיְיָ כְּבוֹד שְׁמוֹ
שְׂאוּ מִנְחָה וּבָאוּ לַחֲצֵרוֹתָיו :

הִשְׁתַּחֲוּוּ לַיְיָ בְּהִדְרַת קֹדֶשׁ
חִילוּ מִפְּנֵי כָּל הָאָרֶץ :
אִמְרוּ בַּגּוֹיִם יְיָ מִלָּךְ
אֶף תִּכּוֹן תִּבְּל בַּל תִּמוּט
יְדִין עַמִּים בְּמִישְׁרֵים :

יִשְׂמְחוּ הַשָּׁמַיִם וְתִגַּל הָאָרֶץ
יִרְעַם הַיָּם וּמְלֵאוּ :
יַעֲלֹז שָׂדֵי וְכָל אֲשֶׁר בּוֹ
אֲזוּ יִרְנְנוּ כָּל עֵצֵי יַעַר ←

❖ לְפָנָיו יְיָ כִּי בָא
כִּי בָא לְשַׁפֵּט הָאָרֶץ :
יִשְׁפֹּט תִּבְּל בְּצִדְקָה
וְעַמִּים בְּאֱמוּנָתוֹ :

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Sing to Adonai a new song,
sing to Adonai all the earth.

Sing to Adonai, bless God's Name,
proclaim God's victory from day to day.
Recount among the nations God's glory,
among all the peoples God's wonders.

For great is Adonai and most deserving of praise,
to be held in awe above all gods.
For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but Adonai made the heavens.

Splendor and majesty are before The One,
strength and beauty are in The Sanctuary.

Give to Adonai, O families of the peoples,
give to Adonai glory and power.
Give to Adonai the glory due The Name,
bear an offering and enter God's courts.

Bow down to Adonai in the majesty of holiness.
Tremble before God all the land.
Say among the nations: "Adonai rules.
Firmly established is the world, it cannot be shaken.
Adonai judges the peoples with uprightness."

Let the heavens be glad, and the earth rejoice.
Let the sea roar, and all that fills it.
Let the field exult and everything in it.
Then shall all the trees of the wood sing out ←

❖ before Adonai, when You come,
when You come to judge the earth.
You will judge the world with righteousness
and the peoples with divine Faithfulness.

Psalm 96 suggests that we will "sing to Adonai a new song" when declaring God's beauty and speaking of God's wonders. On that day "the heavens will be glad and the earth will rejoice," for God will have come to judge the people in righteousness, and the nations in truth.

A midrash teaches that the word "sing" is mentioned three times in this psalm because each corresponds to one of the three daily prayer services. We "sing to Adonai a new song" at *Sha·cha·rit* (morning), for God renews creation; *Min·chah* (afternoon) is the time for "all the earth" to "sing to Adonai" having enjoyed the light of the day; and at *Ma·a·riv* (evening) we "sing to Adonai, bless God's Name," when God shelters us with peace and watches over us throughout the night.