



# Derekh haYeshua'

## The Hebrew blessing for Salvation in the Messiah

וַיֹּאמֶר אֵלָיו יֵשׁוּעַ אֲנֹכִי הַדֶּרֶךְ וְהָאֱמֻנָה וְהַחַיִּים  
וְאִישׁ לֹא יָבֹא אֵלֶיכֶם בְּלֹא בְלֹתִי עֲלֵיכֶם

*“Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life.  
No one comes to the Father except through me.”*

Of all the various *berachot*, this is one of the most important of all, since we come to be in a right relationship with YHVH - the Father of Glory - by means of salvation through Yeshua the Mashiach. This simple Hebrew blessing expresses our thanks to the LORD for the way of salvation given through Yeshua the Messiah:



בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ כְּמֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,  
אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ אֶת דְּרֶךְ הַיְשׁוּעָה  
בְּמֹשִׁיחַ יֵשׁוּעַ בָּרוּךְ הוּא. אָמֵן.

*Blessed are You, LORD our God, King of the universe, Who gave  
to us the way of salvation through the Messiah Yeshua, blessed be  
He. Amen.*

The Messiah was named “Yeshua” since He came to save [Hebrew: *yeshua*] His people from their sins (Matthew 1:21). Yeshua did what the animal sacrifices only foreshadowed in the Torah but never finally accomplished (Hebrews 2:9, Revelation 5:9, Colossians 1:21-22, 2 Timothy 1:10, 1 Timothy 2:3-6; 1 Peter 2:24, Hebrews 9:12-14a). As our Great High Priest after the order of *Malki-Tzedek*, Yeshua took our sins upon Himself, mysteriously becoming the Sin Bearer of humanity, and was crucified on our behalf so that blood atonement with a holy God would be forever accomplished.

כִּי־הַדָּם הוּא בִּנְפֹשׁ יִכְפֹּר

*for it is the blood that maketh  
an atonement for the soul. Lev 17:11*

By means of His ultimate sacrifice, then, God reconciled the world to Himself in Messiah, not counting their sins against them (see Isaiah 53:5, 1 Corinthians 15:3, John 1:29, 2 Corinthians 5:21, 2 Corinthians 5:19).



*Transliterated:*

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,

ha-'o·lam    me·lekh    e·lo·hei·nu    Adonai    at·tah    ba·rukh  
*the universe    king (of)    our God    Lord    are you    Blessed*

אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ אֶת דֶּרֶךְ הַיְשׁוּעָה

ha·ye·shu·ah    de·rekh    et    la·nu    na·tan    a·sher  
*the way of salvation    ( )    to us    gave    Who*

בְּמַשִּׁיחַ יֵשׁוּעַ בְּרוּךְ הוּא. אָמֵן.

a·mein    hu    ba·rukh    ye·shu·a'    ba·ma·shi·ach  
*Amen    He    blessed be    in the Messiah Yeshua*

*Barukh attah Adonai eloheinu melekh ha-olam,  
asher natan lanu et derekh ha-yeshua'  
bamashiach Yeshua, barukh hu. Amen.*