



Ma'ariv Aravim - Blessing for the Evening

עֶרֶב וּבֹקֶר וּצְהָרִים אֲשִׁיחָה וְאֶהְמָה וַיִּשְׁמַע קוֹלִי:

Evening and morning and at noon I utter my complaint and moan, and he hears my voice. - Psalm 55:17

The *Ma'ariv Aravim* is a blessing often recited before the declaration of the Shema during the evening (*ma'ariv*) service (this blessing corresponds to the *Yotzer ha-Me'orot* blessing recited before the *Shacharit* Shema declaration). An abbreviated version of the blessing is provided here:



בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,
אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מַעְרִיב עֶרְבִים. אֵל חַי וְקַיִם,
תָּמִיד יִמְלֹךְ עָלֵינוּ, לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.
בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, הַמַּעְרִיב עֶרְבִים.

Blessed art Thou, LORD our God, Master of the universe, whose Word brings on the evening. May the living and eternal God rule over us always and forever.
Blessed art Thou, LORD, who brings on the evening.

*Barukh attah Adonai elohim melekh ha-olam,
asher bidvaro ma'ariv aravim. El chai v'kaiyam,
tamid yimlokh aleinu, l'olam vaed.
Barukh attah Adonai, ha-ma'ariv aravim.*



Transliterated:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,

ha-'o·lam me·lekh e·lo·hei·nu Adonai at·tah ba·rukḥ
the universe King of our God LORD are You Blessed

אֲשֶׁר בִּדְבָרוֹ מַעֲרִיב עֶרְבִים. אֵל חַי וְקַיִם,

ve·kaiyam chai el 'aravim ma'ariv bidvaro 'a·sher
and enduring living God brings on evenings by His word who

תָּמִיד יִמְלֹךְ עָלֵינוּ, לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד.

va'ed l'olam 'aleinu yimlokh tamid
forever and ever over us may He reign always

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, הַמַּעֲרִיב הָעֶרְבִים.

'aravim ha·ma'ariv Adonai at·tah ba·rukḥ
Who brings on evenings LORD are You Blessed

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