

## Prayer for Israel During a Time of War

***Elohei Avraham v'Sarah***, Shield of Abraham and the Help of Sarah, at this hour of trial and uncertainty, we offer our prayer for the State and citizens of Israel.

**For the soldiers and civilians** taken captive far from their loved ones, we pray, give them strength, show them mercy, provide them hope, and *send them home*.

**For each injured soul, whether of body or spirit**, bring a complete and speedy healing. Grant to those who attend them, skill, and compassion.

***Shomer Yisrael***, Guardian of Israel, may peace descend upon the land of Israel, South, North, East, and West. **Grant to its government** the wisdom and discernment to ensure justice and security for all Israel's inhabitants together with all those men, women and children caught in the web of terror and tragedy.

Protect and watch over the **brave fighters of the Israel Defence Forces** – bolster their courage, keep them safe, hear their prayers, and bring them victory.

***El Ha'Rachaman***, God of Compassion, uphold and **comfort those who mourn**. Help them in time to transcend their grief, to live beside the pain none should endure.

Above all, remember for merit and for good **all our martyred dead**, the souls of each innocent victim whose life has been cut short. May they find eternal peace and may their memory be a blessing.

**Help us** to honour their memory through our prayers and our deeds, now and always. Amen

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