

A Prayer for Peace in Israel

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As Shabbat approaches, even though our hearts are breaking we refuse to despair. This is a Shabbat for dreaming and praying for better days to come.

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God, our Strength and Protection, we pray for Israel.

Watch over Israel, spread Your shelter of peace over the

land and over all our brothers and sisters who live there.

Shine your light upon Israel's leaders, officers and advisers.

Fill them with Your wisdom. Fill the men and women who

defend Israel with wisdom and with Your holy light. Watch

over them, God. Hear their prayers. Hear the prayers of

innocent civilians in Gaza who share our longings for an

end to this conflict. Bring peace, God. Let it rain down

from the heavens like a mighty storm. Let it wash away all

hatred and bloodshed. Peace, God, please, God.

Amen