

Kadesh

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Source:

The Hebrew word "Kiddush" means sanctification. But it is not the wine we sanctify. Instead, the wine is a symbol of the sanctity, the preciousness, and the sweetness of this moment. Held together by sacred bonds of family, friendship, peoplehood, we share this table tonight with one another and with all the generations who have come before us. Let us rise, and sanctify this singular moment.

Baruch ata Adonai, Elohaynoo melech ha-olam, boray pree ha-gafen. Baruch atah Adonai, Elohaynoo melech ha-olam, asher bachar banoo meekol am, v'romemanoo meekol lashon, v'keedshanoo b'meeztvotav. Va'teetayn lanoo Adonai Elohaynoo b'bahava, mo'adeem lsimcha, chageem oo-z'maneem l'sason. Et yom chag ha-matzot ha-zeh,

z'man chayrootaynoo, meekra kodesh, zecheer leetzeeyat Meetzrayeem. Kee vanoo vacharta, v'otanoo keed-ashta meekol ha-ameem. Oo'mo'adday kodsheh'cha b'seemcha oo-v'sason heen'chaltanoo. Baruch ata Adonai m'kadesh Yisrael v'ha-z'maneem.

Praised are You, Lord our God, Whose presence fills the universe. Who creates the fruit of the vine. Praised are You, Lord our God, Whose presence fills the universe, Who has called us for service

from among the peoples of the world, sanctifying our lives with Your commandments. In love, You have given us festivals for rejoicing and seasons of celebration, this Festival of Matzot, the time of our freedom, a commemoration of the Exodus from Egypt.

Praised are You, Lord, Who gave us this joyful heritage and Who sanctifies Israel and the festivals.