

# Hatikvah

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Source:

כל עוד בלבב פְּנִימָה  
נִפְּשׁ יְהוּדֵי הוֹמִיָּה  
וּלְפָאֲתֵי מִזְרַח, קְדִימָה  
עֵין לְצִיּוֹן צוֹפֵיָה

עוד לא אָבְדָה תְּקוּוֹתֵנוּ  
הַתְּקוּוֹה בֵּת שְׁנוֹת אֲלֵפִים  
לְהִיּוֹת עִם חֶפְשֵׁי בְּאֶרְצֵנוּ  
אֶרֶץ צִיּוֹן וִירוּשָׁלַיִם.

As long as in the heart within,  
The Jewish soul yearns,  
And toward the eastern edges, onward,  
An eye gazes toward Zion.

Our hope is not yet lost,  
The hope that is two-thousand years old,  
To be a free nation in our land,  
The Land of Zion, Jerusalem.

- lyrics Naphtali Herz Imber, 1878, music Samuel Cohen 1888

- adopted as anthem by 1st Zionist Congress 1897 and officially by Israel in **2004!**