בס"ד

PRODUCED BY SRULY MEYER & AVRAHAM ZAMIST

MORDECHAI SHAPIRO



KOL HADERECH

כל הדרך

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Composed by: **Yitzy Waldner**
Arranged by: **Udi Damari**
Lyrics: **Miriam Israeli**

אנא מלך מלכי המלכים
הקב"ה אנא מלך

כל הדרך שהלכנו, שמך לא שכחנו
כי בך בטחנו קל קיים
אליך בכינו, אליך קיווינו
כי אתה אבינו אב הרחמן

אנא, לך אתנו וגם אם חטאנו
אל תשכח אותנו לעולם
אנו עבדיך ומבלעדיך
אין לנו מלך אלא אתה



All the paths that we have taken, we have not forgot Your name. For we had faith in You. You are our merciful Father.

2

SCHAR MITZVAH

Composed by: **Elie Schwab**
Arranged by: **Ian Freitor**

העושה מצוה אחת
קטנה בשמחה
יגלגלו לו לעשות מצוה
גדולה מהראשונה

שכר מצוה מצוה
אין לדבר קצבה
זוען מען טוט א מצוה
כאפט מען נאך א מצוה
פרותיה בעולם הזה
ומתרבה לעולם הבא



One Who does a Mitzvah with true happiness earns an opportunity to do a greater mitzvah in the future.

3 KI MALACHOV

Composed by: **Baruch Levine**
Arranged by: **Tzvi Blumenfeld**

כי מלאכיו יצוה לך לשמרך בכל דרכיך
ה׳ ישמר צאתך ובואך מעתה ועד עולם



One who performs many mitzvos will be given angels to protect him. Therefore, upon taking leave of the angels after shalom aleichem, we are comforted by the pledge that Hashem will send us numerous other angels to watch over us.

CHIZKU 4

Composed by: **Elie Schwab**
Arranged by: **Udi Damari**

לא אוכל עוד לצאת ולבוא וה׳ אמר אלי לא תעבור
בן מאה ועשרים שנה אנכי היום
אבל חזק ואמץ חזק ואמץ כי ה אלוקיך הוא עבר לפניך
חזקו חזקו ואמצו אל-תיראו לא אל-תיראו
ואל-תערצו מפניהם כי יהוה אלהיכם ההלך עמכם

As Moshe Rabeinu reaches the age of 120 and his life is coming to an end, he tells Klal Yisroel that he can no longer be the shaliach between them and Hashem. "Be strong and courageous and don't be afraid, for Hashem will always be with you!



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SHIR HAMAALOS

Composed by: **Baruch Levine**
Arranged by: **Tzvi Blumenfeld**

Kids Choir: **Noam Klein, Jordan Vogel**
Isaac Goldschmiedt, Mordechai Miller
Soloist: **Mordechai Miller**

שיר המעלות
בשוב ה׳
את שיבת ציון
היינו כחולמים

אז ימלא שחוק
פינו ולשוננו רינה



Song inspired from a letter written following a series of tragedies in which the author yearns for the day when all of K'lal Yisrael will soon wake up from this "Dream" of Golus!

לזכר נשמת
אריאל רב-נוי ז"ל נדיב דובער קהתי ז"ל

6
IVDU

Composed by: **Yitzy Waldner**
Arranged by: **Eli Lishinsky**

אין השכינה שורה אלא
מתוך שמחה של מצוה

עבדו את ה בשמחה
בואו לפניו ברננה



The Shechina resides among those who do Hashem's mitzvos with happiness.
Serve Hashem with Joy, come before him with song!

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HAYOM

Composed by: **Yitzy Waldner**
Arranged by: **Yoni Eliav**
Lyrics by: **Miriam Israeli**

היום הזה הוא זמן שמחתנו
שמע את התפילה שבליבנו

ותמחל את כל עוונותינו
ביום הזה
ויהי רצון מלפניך
שיהיה ביתנו גם ביתך
ותשרה עלינו שכינתך
מהיום הזה

היום זו התחלה , היום זו התפילה
שתשלח את מלאכיך
הקדושים באהבה לברך
את החתן ואת הכלה

היום זה עת רצון, היום זה עת שלום

היום הזה תבנה בנין חדש, בית מקדש, ונברך
משמח החתן עם הכלה

The wedding day is a joyous and unforgettable day. The Chosson and Kallah have a special Siyata D'shmaya to ask for anything and everything they desire. As their sins are being forgiven just as on Yom Kippur, they start a pure life together in complete holiness. This day is the beginning of the building of a new Bayis Neeman B'yisroel as they ask Hashem that He resides his Shechina in their home always and forever.

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MI KAHASHEM

Composed by: **Yitzy Waldner**
Arranged by: **Avrumi Berko**

רם על כל גוים ה׳ על השמים כבודו
מי כה׳ אלוקינו המגביהי לשבת
יהי שם ה׳ מבורך מעתה ועד עולם



In the first paragraph of Hallel we read, "High above all nations is Hashem, above the heavens in His glory. Who is like Hashem who is enthroned on high yet deigns to look upon the Heaven and the earth. May Hashem's name be Blessed from now until forever"

9 LO ALECHA

Composed by: **Mordechai Shapiro**
Arranged by: **Avraham Zamist**
Featuring: **Ron Weinreich**

לא עליך המלאכה לגמור, ולא אתה בן חורין להיבטל ממנה
כל העולם כולו גשר צר מאוד והעיקר לא לפחד כלל



The world is a long and narrow bridge. We must not fear while crossing the bridge of life. One may think that the goal is to complete the journey we are on and only then do we receive reward. However, the mishnah in Avos teaches us that our reward is not when we complete our work, rather it is earned when we have true emunah, faith in Hashem.

UMELOCH 10

Composed by: **Boruch Sholom Blesofsky**
Arranged by: **Ian Freitor**

השיבה שופטינו כבראשונה ויועצינו כבתחילה,
והסר ממנו יגון ואנחה
ומלוך עלינו מהרה, אתה השם לבדך



When Eliyahu calls for Moshiach to come, he will first reestablish the Sanhedrin, and only then the Redemption will begin. A secondary theme of this Tefillah is the wish that Hashem will help all Jewish judges rule wisely and justly.

DEDICATION

Thank you to the following families for believing in me and for being a part of this production. I could not have done this without you!

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You guys are the best of the best!

- Mordechai Shapiro

THANK YOU

I never imagined I would ever do this one day. I also never knew how much work went into making an album like this. Every production I am a part of I learn so much more, and I see how much love and pure soul is poured into every note, every chord, every sound that goes from an idea and a thought and turns into the incredible music you hold now in your hands.

I am honored to have been a part of this, and I am very proud to present it to you. It was a very special experience working with Mordechai and I can't wait for you to hear what we have created for you, and I hope you will love it as much as I do. Avraham, thank you for being my musical partner and suggesting way back when to take a listen to this new singer. I did, and here we are!

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- Sruly Meyer

THANK YOU

Fifteen months ago my phone started ringing off the hook from friends and family "You've got to check out Mordy Shapiro". I all but dismissed the hype until I stumbled upon the most spectacular and moving Chupah I had heard in years. Divine Provenience connected us soon after, and we were on our way. I quickly discovered in Mordechai an old soul, intelligent and talented well beyond his years.

Joining me on this awesome journey was the incomparable Sruly Meyer, someone I'm lucky enough to work with on a daily basis and even more honored to call a dear friend. Sruly's incredible and creative mind is ever flowing with ideas. His passion and love for our special work is endless.

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I am proud and privileged to present to you, Mordechai Shapiro.

- Avraham Zamist

MUSICIANS

KOL HADERECH & CHIZKU

Arrangement & Musical Production: Udi Damari
Guitars: Shimon Yachia Bass: Avi Yifrach Saxophone: Gilad Ronen *(Kol Haderech)*
Background Vocals: Udi Damari & Mordechai Shapiro

SCHAR MITZVAH & UMELOCH

Guitars, Drums: Vlad Orzhekhovskiy of PlayMasters
Schar Mitzvah Background Vocals: Mordechai Shapiro
Umeloch Background Vocals: Moshe Roth (Israel)

KI MALACHOV & SHIR HAMAALOS

Drums: Ron Vered Bass: Aryeh Volnitz Guitars: Avi Singolda
Piano: Yaron Gutfried Strings: Ayal Shiloach & Ensemble
Additional Programing: Tzvi Blumenfeld
Background Vocals: Mordechai Shapiro & Tzvi Blumenfeld
Music Recorded at: Zmirot - Banet Studios By Chaim Gottesman
Vocals Recorded at: Blue Rhythm Studios By Tzvi Blumenfeld

HAYOM

Drums: Avi Avidani Bass: Neth Karni Guitars: Michael Rippoll
Violins: Yaakov Rigler Programming: Michael Rizo
Choirs: Yaakov Rotblat, Moti Rotler, Gil Yisraelov, Sini Bromowitz.
Strings Arranged & Conducted by Leib Yaakov Rigler

LO ALECHA

Drums: Yuval Lion Guitar, Bass, Percussion: Ilya Lishisnky Piano: Shai Bachar
Additional Programing: Avraham Zamist Penny Whistle: Dor Assaraf Choir: Yedidim Israel
Strings: Ayal Shiloach & Co.
Additional Vocal Recording: KA-Z Studios - Teaneck, NJ - Engineered by Avraham Zamist
Additional Vocal Editing by Yitzy Glicksman - Glicks Studios
Piano Recorded at: Vibromonk Studios Engineered By: Dani Satzki

MI KAHASHEM

Programed by Avrumi Berko Guitars: Avi Singolda Brass: AB Group *(Recorded in Israel by Chaim Gottesman)*
Background Vocals: Moshe Roth (Israel)

IVDU

All music performed by Eli Lishinsky
Background Vocals: Yitzy Waldner & Mordechai Shapiro
Thank you to Rabbi Elan Segelman for helping complete the words to Ivdu



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