

Zochreinu and Gevurah

Rosh Hashanah Musaf Amidah

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זָכְרֵנוּ לְחַיִּים, מֶלֶךְ חַיֵּי וְכַתְבֵּנוּ בְּסֵפֶר הַחַיִּים, לְמַעַן אֱלֹהִים
חַיִּים..... מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד, מְחַיֶּה מֵתִים בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים, סוֹמֵךְ
נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים..... מִי כְמוֹךָ בְּעַל גְּבוּרוֹת וּמִי
דּוֹמֶה לָּךְ, מֶלֶךְ מְמִית וּמְחַיֶּה וּמְצַמֵּחַ יְשׁוּעָה. מִי כְמוֹךָ אֵב הַרְחֲמִים,
זוֹכֵר יְצוּרֵי לְחַיִּים בְּרַחֲמִים.....

**Zochreinu l'chayim, melech chafetz ba'chayim, v'chotveinu b'sefer ha'chayim,
l'ma'anacha elohim chayim.... M'chalkel chayim b'chesed, m'chayeh meitim
b'rachamim rabbim, somech noflim, v'rofeh cholim, u'matir asurim.... Mi
chamocha ba'al gevurot u'mi domeh lach, melech meimit u'm'chayeh
u'matzmi-ach yeshu'a. Mi chamocha av ha'rachamim, zocher yetzurav l'chayim
b'rachamim...**

Remember us for life, O King who delights in life; inscribe us in the book of life for Thy sake, O Living God...

You sustain the living with kindness, and revive the dead with great mercy; You support all who fall, and heal the sick, you set captives free...

Who is like You, Lord of power? Who resembles You, O King? You bring death and restore life, and cause salvation to flourish.

Who is like You, merciful Father? In mercy You remember Your creatures for life...

These words are from the High Holyday Amidah. The first sentence is added before the end of the Avot, the first paragraph. The rest is from the Gevurah, the second paragraph of the Amidah. We recognise many of the same words as in our daily Amidah. But for the High Holydays, we also see phrases about remembrance, inscribing in the book of life, and God's mercy.