

## Evening 3 – Hanukkah, Chanukah (Tuesday)

12.24,2019

**Significance:** Remembering the re-dedication of the Temple after it was defiled by the Greeks

**Observances:** Lighting candles, reciting prayers and scriptures

**Length:** 8 days – December 22-30, 2019

**Customs:** Praying, eating fried foods; playing with a dreidel (top)

The Torah reading for each day of Hanukkah is taken from **Numbers 6:22-8:4**, which recounts the dedication of the *mishkan* (temporary, moveable place of worship) by the Israelites in the desert. On Shabbat during Hanukkah, we read the regular weekly portion. During the Festival of Lights, the *Haftarah* readings, additional selections from the Prophetic books, are **Zechariah 4:1-7** and **I Kings 7:40-50**.

We light the Lead Candle and then we light the  
1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> candles and say:

(Candles are added from right to left and kindled from left to right.)



**Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, asher kid'shanu  
b'mitzvotav v'tsivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.**

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*English:* Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who hallows us with mitzvot, commanding us to kindle the Hanukkah lights.

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**Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim laavoteinu  
v'imoteinu bayamim hahaeim baz'man hazeh.**

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English: Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of all, who performed wonderful deeds  
for our ancestors in days of old at this season.

Thank You God that You are Who You say You are. You are the Beginning and  
the End and You are love and life! We hold fast to Your truth and Your promises  
for us this Hanukkah season and always and we ask for You to release faith in each  
one of us that would please You. We love You and call You Holy, Just, and  
Righteous in all Your ways are perfect, we ask for Your light to our paths in the  
matchless name of Your Son Jesus Christ! Amen.

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