

יוצר אור

Root – א–ר–ב

Meaning – Create

Words in the prayer with the same root ובורא

יוצר אור is found immediately following the ברכו. It is only said during the morning service and not in the evening service. This prayer thanks God for creating light and darkness and for creating peace in the world. This prayer also praises God as the creator of all things.

The prayer is based on a section from the prophet Isaiah. Isaiah points out that since creates everything it means that God creates Good **and** Evil. All parts of our lives, the good and the not so good are, in traditional Judaism, created by God.

Vocabulary and Translation

The World – העולם

Creates – יוצר

Light – אור

Darkness – חושך

Past Roots

Bless - ב - ר - כ

ר - ח - ב - Choose -

ל - א - Roots of the names of God -

Ruler - כ - ל - מ -

Guard, Protect - ר - מ - ש

Holy - ש - ד - ק

Blessed are you, Adonai our God, Ruler of the World, Creator of Light and Creator of
Darkness, Maker of Peace, and Creator of all things.