

גבורות

אָתָּה גִּבּוֹר לְעוֹלָם אֲדֹנָי, מַחֲיֵה מֵתִים אָתָּה, רַב לַהֲשִׁיעַ:
מְכַלְכֵּל חַיִּים בְּחֶסֶד, מַחֲיֵה מֵתִים בְּרַחֲמִים רַבִּים,
סוֹמֵךְ נוֹפְלִים, וְרוֹפֵא חוֹלִים, וּמַתִּיר אֲסוּרִים,
וּמְקַיֵּם אֲמוּנָתוֹ לַיָּשָׁנִי עֶפְרָי, מִי כָמוֹךָ בַּעַל גִּבּוֹרוֹת וּמִי
דוֹמֶה לָךְ,
מֶלֶךְ מַמִּית וּמַחֲיֵה וּמַצְמִיחַ יְשׁוּעָה:
וְנֶאֱמַן אָתָּה לְהַחְיֹת מֵתִים. בָּרוּךְ אָתָּה יְיָ מַחֲיֵה הַמֵּתִים:

גְּבוּרוֹת

Root: ג-ב-ר

Meaning - hero, power

Words in the prayer with the root: גְּבוּרוֹת גְּבוֹר

The גְּבוּרוֹת is the second prayer of the Amidah. It is immediately after אָבוֹת. Like the אָבוֹת, the גְּבוּרוֹת is recited out loud by the congregation during the Shabbat morning service.

This prayer speaks of God's power. Among the powers listed are: being mighty forever, causing the wind to blow and the rain to fall, sustaining our lives, supporting the fallen, healing the sick, freeing the captive, and keeping faith with all. The prayer tells us that there is none like God.

One of the main themes of this prayer is that God gives life to all. In traditional Judaism this came to mean (among other things) that God can give life to the dead - called resurrection.

Over the years the Jewish belief in resurrection has come to mean different things to different groups of Jews:

- Renewing the plants and the Earth with rain
- A metaphor for humans upon waking up each morning from sleep
- Bringing the dead back to life when the Messiah arrives

Whatever one believes about God, the main point of the prayer is that God's power is all encompassing and sustains us throughout our lives, during good times and bad.

Vocabulary

In kindness - בְּחֶסֶד	mighty - גִּבּוֹר	you are- אַתָּה
Lord, Ruler, Eternal - אֲדֹנָי		the living - חַיִּים

Past Roots and Prefixes

choose ב-ח-ר	place/put ש-י-מ	bless ב-ר-כ
life/live ח-י-(י)	root for the names of God and also the word God א-ל-(ה)	
to, for ל	save, redeem ל-א-ל	great/large ל-ג-ד
give נ-ת-נ	on, in, with ב or ב	And ו
	father א-ב	mother א-מ

Translation

You are mighty forever Adonai. You are the one who gives life to the dead with great salvation.

[You are] the one who sustains the living in kindness, who revives the dead with great mercy, supports the fallen, and heals the sick, and frees the captives, and maintains his faith with those who sleep in the dust.

Who is like you Master of mighty deeds and who compares to you the Ruler who creates life and death and brings forth salvation.

You are faithful to revive the dead.

Blessed are you, Adonai, who brings the dead back to life.