

בְּרָכוֹ

בְּרָכוֹ אֵת יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ

בְּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד



בְּרָכוּ

Root: ב - ר - כ

Meaning - Bless

Words in the prayer with the same root: בְּרָכוּ הַמְבָרָךְ בְּרוּךְ

The בְּרָכוּ is found in the beginning of the second section of the Shabbat morning service. This section is called, “The שְׁמַע and its Blessings.” The section consists of the שְׁמַע and blessings both before and after it. The בְּרָכוּ is the first blessing in the section.

Just prior to chanting the בְּרָכוּ worshipers recite a number of prayers and special readings to warm up, for the start of the service; to prepare to pray.

The בְּרָכוּ signals the beginning of the formal start of the service. It is the official call to the congregation to begin worshipping. The leader of the service announces our presence to God, and the congregation responds.

The words of the prayer make it clear that we are identifying ourselves with one God, not just today, but for all time, past, present, and future.

Vocabulary

Adonai - יי	בְּרָכוּ - bless/praise
לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד - forever and ever	בְּרוּךְ - bless

Translation

Bless/Praise Adonai, the one to be blessed!

Blessed is Adonai, the one to be blessed, forever and ever.