

Source: <https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/hanukkah-candle-lighting-ceremony/>

Before lighting the candles (but after placing them in the menorah), we recite three blessings

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וְצִיּוּנוֹ, אֲשֶׁר קִידְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי  
לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה

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

[https://youtu.be/\\_fb-tkAet5A](https://youtu.be/_fb-tkAet5A)

Praised are You,  
Our God, Ruler of the universe,  
Who made us holy through Your commandments  
and commanded us  
to kindle the Hanukkah lights.

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בַּיָּמִים, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים לְאַבוֹתֵינוּ, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי  
הֵהֱם בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה

*Baruch atah, Adonai Eloheinu, Melech haolam, she-asah nisim  
la'avoteinu bayamim hahem bazman hazeh.*

<https://youtu.be/6n3aQISSkCM>

Praised are You,  
Our God, Ruler of the universe,  
Who performed wondrous deeds for our ancestors  
in those ancient days  
at this season.

(First Night Only):

וְהִגִּיעַנוּ לְזִמַּן הַזֶּה, קִיּוּמָנוּ, שְׁהֵחֵינּוּ, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי  
*Baruch atah adonai elohenu melech ha'olam, shehecheyanu,*  
*v'kiyimanu, v'higiyanu lazman hazeh*

<https://youtu.be/LEO0z5jfYtw>

Praised are You, Our God, Ruler of the universe, Who has given us life and sustained us and enabled us to reach this season.

Ray Of Hope Adds The Following:

Leader: Almighty God, we bless you for putting into our hearts the desire to celebrate these eight days remembering your miracle of sustaining the light.

ALL: Sustain your light in our lives today and forever. As Psalm 119 declares; “Your word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path.”