

# Hoshanot

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## For the first day

Hosha'na for the sake of  
the Aura of life  
the Beams of Light  
the Clearness of Light  
the Dynamics of Light  
the Effulgence of Light  
the Diffraction of light  
the Glory of light  
the Haloes of light  
the Illumination of light  
the Joys of sight

## For the second day

Hosha'na for the sake of  
the Karma of the separation of sky and water  
the Luminosity of the sky  
the Majesty of the sky  
the Nourishment that comes in rain from the sky  
the Orient and Occident in the sky  
the Purple sunset sky  
the Quality of purity of the sky  
the Range of the sky  
the Stretch of the firmament of the sky  
the Treasures of rain that pour from the sky

## For the third day

Hosha'na for the sake of  
the Ubiquity of the plants  
the Variety of the plants  
the Wellness of the plants  
the Xanthia gum trees  
the Yucca plants  
the Zucchini and Zinnias  
the Aspen trees  
the Berry bushes  
the Chlorophyl made by the leaves  
the Date palms

## For the fourth day

Hosha'na for the sake of  
the Earth and planet  
the Faraway stars  
the Galaxies in space  
the Horizons of the sky  
the Infinity of space  
the Joyous music of the spheres  
the Kometes and Asteroids  
the Location of Latitude and Longitude  
on the map  
the Moons around the planet  
the Nodes of the Zodiac

In Hebrew, *Hosha'na* means ""Please save us!" The phrase came to mean particular prayers for salvation; the plural is *Hoshanot*. These prayers for the saving of the earth are chanted on the days of Sukkot while carrying the Torah scroll, Lulav and Etrog in a procession. The *Hoshanot* climax on the seventh day, Hoshana Rabbah when all of them are chanted in seven processions with the Torah Scroll. These *Hoshanot* in English by Reb Zalman follow the model of the traditional Hebrew Hoshanot, which are aimed at the protection and healing of the earth.

## For the fifth day

Hosha'na for the sake of  
Owls and Other Oviparous life  
Perches and Plovers  
Quail and Quohaug  
Robins and Red Snapper  
Seagulls and Swordfish  
Turtles and Turtledoves  
Univalves and Sea Urchins  
Varieties of Plankton  
Waterfowl and Whales  
Yellowtails and other Tuna

## For the sixth day

Hosha'na for the sake of  
Zebus and Zebras  
Aardvarks and Armadillos  
Bears and Babies  
Children and Chimpanzees  
Deer and Dromedaries  
Elks and Moose  
Fawns and Families  
Giraffes and Gorillas  
Homo Sapiens and Hominids  
Instinctual and Intelligent life

## For the seventh day

Hosha'na for the sake of of  
Letting Earth rest  
Letting Earth heal  
Letting Earth recover  
Leaving Earth in Peace  
Letting People find their center  
Letting people enjoy rest and freedom  
Letting children romp  
Living the Shabbat in Mindfulness  
Loving others and ourselves