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## Rosh Hashana

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On Rosh Hashana we stand before Hashem in unity,  
We daven for a sweet new year for our friends and family,  
But we don't need to worry,  
Rather we should be happy!

Our happiness is so great,  
Because as our King, Hashem we coronate,  
The reason that the coronation of a human king is filled with pomp and glory down here,  
Is because Hashem's coronation is so incredibly joyful up there!

We know that joy is the way to feel from Sefer Nechemia,  
Which is one of the 24 books of the written Torah.  
In Nechemia it describes the Yidden's return to Eretz Yisrael,  
After 70 years of being in Galus in Bavel.

On the first day of Rosh Hashana, the Yidden who were in a low state,  
Gathered to hear the Torah being read from Ezra who was so great,  
The Yidden started crying,  
Because the Torah they hadn't been keeping.

Ezra, Nechemia and the Leviim did say,  
For Hashem, today is a holy day,  
Therefore don't cry, mourn and be sad,  
Rather, be glad!

Ezra said, delicious foods, go home and eat,  
 Drink drinks that are sweet,  
 Send portions of food to those who are poor, to make them happy too,  
 And also to those who didn't have a chance to prepare food like you.

To Hashem this is a day that is holy,  
 Therefore, sad, don't be,  
 Because serving Hashem with joy,  
 Is what gives strength to every man, woman, girl and boy!

With the words, "On day two,"  
 The Pesukim continue,  
 It refers to the second day of Rosh Hashana, Rashi makes it clear,  
 From here we know that Rosh Hashana is kept for two days everywhere.

On that day, they read in the Torah,  
 About the Mitzvah of building a Sukkah,  
 And about the Mitzvah to shake the Daled Minim together as one,  
 From their commitment alone, Hashem considered the Mitzvos done.

Rosh Hashana is the time that we crown Hashem as our King,  
 And commit to serve Hashem with our entire being,  
 In our minds, we choose areas in which to do better in order to complete our mission,  
 And Hashem counts it as if we already brought it into action!

Just like Adam was born on Rosh Hashana day,  
 Rosh Hashana is a new start and every Jew's birthday,  
 We push the dirt away that covered our Neshama, so holy,  
 And we discover our true identity!

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