

The Sh'ma שמע

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שמע ישראל, יהוה אחד.

ברוך שם כבוד מלכותו לעולם ועד.

Listen Israel, Adonai is our God, Adonai is one.

Big Idea: Listen!

The *Sh'ma* is one of the most important Jewish statements. It is one of the first expressions that Jewish children learn.

Many Jews say the *Sh'ma* three times each day as part of their regular prayers.

Some families have a tradition - before children doze off to sleep parents recite with them the *Sh'ma* asking God to protect and shelter the children as they sleep.



שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל, יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְיָ אֶחָד.

Here is the English translation of the *Sh'ma*:

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The *Sh'ma* appears in the Torah.

Look at this photo, and see if you can find it!



Key words:

שְׁמַע - hear / listen.

יִשְׂרָאֵל - Israel / Jewish people

יְיָ - Adonai

אֱלֹהֵינוּ - our God

אֶחָד - one