BLESSING FOR RITUAL WASHING OF HANDS

ָבָרוּך אַתָּה, יי אֵלהֵּינוּ, מַלֵּךְ הָעוֹלָם,

Ba-ruch' A-tah', Adonai El-o-hei'<u>-nu</u>, me'-lech <u>ha</u>-o-lam', blessed (are) You, Adonai God <u>our</u>, King of <u>the</u> universe,

אָשֶׁר קּדְשָּׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיו וְצִּוָּנוּ

A-sher' kid-sha'-<u>nu</u> <u>be</u>-mits-vo-t<u>av'</u> <u>ve</u>-tsi-va'-<u>nu</u>
Who sanctified <u>us</u> <u>with</u> commandments <u>His</u> <u>and</u> commanded <u>us</u>

על נִטִילַת יָדָים.

al $ne-ti-la\underline{t}'$ * $ya-da'-yim^{**}$. about lifting up \underline{of} both hands . Gates of Prayer, p. 29

*from the root 701 defined by Klein (p. 413) as: to lift, bear, take, and ne-ti-lah' defined as "taking, lifting, carrying.".

THE BLESSING OVER BREAD

ָבְרוּך אַתָּה, יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ, מֶּלֶך הָעוֹלָם,

Ba-ruch' A-tah', Adonai El-o-hei'-nu, me'-lech <u>ha</u>-o-lam', blessed (are) You, Adonai God <u>our</u>, King of <u>the</u> universe,

הַמּוֹצִיא לֶּחֶם מִן הָאָּרֶץ

<u>ha</u>-mo-tsi' le'-chem min <u>ha</u>-a'-rets. <u>the</u> (One Who) brings out bread from <u>the</u> earth.

the suffix "-a'-yim" means two of whatever the main root signifies; in this case two hands. pa-a-ma'-yim = two times; ei-na'-yim = two eyes; chod-sha'-yim = two months, etc.