

Anim Z'mirot: Hymn of Glory '95

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Words: Jewish Sabbath liturgy

Translation: Rabbi Zalman Schachter-Shalomi

Music: Shawn Israel Zevit

I chant to please You, I weave You dear songs
For You my soul yearns, for You she longs
Nestled in Your palm her love for You grows
She will not rest until its You she knows

I look for words to speak Your praises
My heart to you its yearning raises
Therefore I will speak the virtues of Your Fame
And garland with excellence the honor of Your Name

Chorus:

Anim Z'mirot- a hymn of glory
Anim Z'mirot- for every living story
Anim Z'mirot- a hymn of glory

Though I do not see You, still I draw Your face
Portray your features, name Your place
Our prophets spoke, Your servants darkly knew
In symbols and myths they referred to You

When describing Your power and declaring Your care
Of Your awesome compassion, they made us aware
It is not Your being that they could describe
Only the way Your compassion touches our life

Chorus (2x)

*My teacher and friend Reb Zalman handed me this translation.
one day and asked me to write music to it. His feedback and support
in the initial stages of my rabbinic life made an immense difference.
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