

## Parashat Pekude

אַמַּת הַשְּׂמִים כְּסָאָה | וְהָאָרֶץ הַדּוֹם רָגְלָהּ:  
הָאָמֶנֶם תֵּשֵׁב עִם הָאָדָם | וְהַשְּׂמִים לֹא יִכְלָלוּהָ:  
רְעִיּוֹן קָצָר מְלֵה־שֵׁיג גְּדֻלָּהּ:  
נִזְרָאוֹת מִרְאוֹת | וְצוּרוֹת מִפְּלָאוֹת תִּזְלִיחַ:  
אִי זֶה בֵּית אֲשֶׁר יִבְנוּ לָהּ | וְאִי זֶה תְּאֻנָּה וּגְבוּל יִגְבִּילָהּ:  
וּמַעֲלָה וּמַטָּה | וְכָל אֲשֶׁר בָּהֶם פְּעֻלָּתָהּ:  
וְאִי זֶה מְקוֹם | יְכִילָהּ:  
הֶרְחַמְתִּים מִדֹּתֶיהָ | וְהִצַּדֵּק מֵעֲגָלָהּ:  
מִשְׁפָּט וּמִשְׁרִים | מוֹרֶיחַ וּפְלוּלָהּ:  
אִין לָהּ עֶרְוָה | וּלְמִי יִמְשִׁילָהּ:  
מִיִּסְדִּים | עַל אֲדָנֶי כֶסֶף גְּלֻגְלִיחַ:  
חֲזָרִים | לְהַשִּׁיג יְפַעַת הַלּוּלָהּ:  
סֹהַר וְכִכְבִּים | לְמַשֵּׁל בְּלִילָהּ:  
וְחָרֶס בַּיּוֹם | זוֹרֵחַ בְּגִבּוּלָהּ:  
נְפִשׁוֹת הַיְקָרוֹת | מְנַצְּחוֹת לְמוּלָהּ:  
וּכְרוּבִים וְשִׁנְאָנִים וְאַפְנִים סְבִיבָהּ | וְלֹא יִדְעוּ שְׁבִילָהּ:  
וְשָׂרְפֵי לְהִבִּים | יִרְנְנוּ עִזָּה בְּהִיכָלָהּ:  
בְּלִי מְדוֹן לְפָנֶי הָאָדוֹן | עוֹנִים מִהַלְלָהּ:  
וְנוֹתְנִים רִשׁוֹת זֶה לְזֶה | לְהַלֵּל בְּרַב גְּדֻלָּהּ:

◇ חזון: תָּנוּ עֵז לְאֱלֹהֵים עַל־יִשְׂרָאֵל גְּאֻנָּתוֹ | וְעֵזוֹ בְּשִׁתְּקִים: גִּנְרָא אֱלֹהִים מִמְקַדְוִישֵׁיחַ אֵל  
יִשְׂרָאֵל הוּא נָתַן | עֵז וְתַעֲצָמוֹת לְעַם | בְּרֹוֹה אֱלֹהִים: (תהלים סח: לה לו)  
חִי־יִתְּנָה וּבְרֹוֹה צוּרֵי | וְיָרוּם אֱלֹהֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: (תהלים יח: מז)  
רוֹמְמוֹ יִתְּנָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ | וְהַשְׁתַּחֲוִי לְהַדָּם רָגְלֵינוּ קְדוֹשׁ הוּא: (תהלים צט: ה)

קהל: קְדוֹשׁ | קְדוֹשׁ קְדוֹשׁ יִתְּנָה צְבָאוֹת | מְלֵא כְּלֵי־הָאָרֶץ כְּבוֹדוֹ: (ישעיהו ו: ג)

## Pikkude

In truth, the heavens are Your throne, and the earth is Your footstool,  
Can You indeed dwell amidst humanity, when the heavens cannot contain You?  
Thought is too short to understand Your greatness.  
Your armies are awesome visions and wondrous forms.  
What is the house that they could build for You, and what line and border could  
bound You?  
[That which is] above and below, and all that are in them, are Your works,  
So where is the place that could contain You?  
Your attributes are mercy, and Your ways are righteousness,  
Justice and uprightness are what You indicate and rule.  
You cannot be evaluated, and to whom could one compare You?  
Your spheres are founded on sockets of desire,  
They circulate, to attain the beauty of Your praises,  
The moon and the stars have dominion over the nights,  
And the sun, in the day, shines in Your area.  
Glorious souls make music to You,  
And cherubim and *shin'anim* and *ofannim* surround You, but do not know Your  
path,  
And flaming seraphim sing Your might in Your lair,  
Without strife, in front of the Master, they respond with Your praise.  
**Cong. And they give permission, one to another, to laud [You] regarding Your  
intense greatness.**

*Cantor.* Ascribe might to God; His pride is over Israel, and His might is in the  
heavens. God is awesome from thy temples; the God of Israel gives might and  
formidability to the people; blessed be God! (Psalms 68:35–36)

Adonai lives, and my Rock is blessed; and may the God of my rescue be lofty.  
(Psalms 18:47)

Declare the loftiness of Adonai our God, and prostrate yourselves to his footstool –  
holy is He! (Psalms 99:5)

**Congregation: Holy, holy, holy is Adonai Zeva'oth; the entire world is full of  
His glory.** (Isaiah 6:3)