# **WOMEN: PRAYER**

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For women and bowing, see Bowing: Women.

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See Kaddish: Who Should Say: Women.

**WOMEN: YA'ALEH V'YAVO** 

#### Women: Ya'aleh V'Yavo

If a girl age 12 or up or a woman forgets to say <u>ya'aleh v'yavo</u> for the <u>Jewish festival</u> or <u>Rosh Chodesh amida</u>, she must repeat the prayer. She does not repeat <u>ya'aleh v'yavo</u> in any <u>birkat ha'mazon</u> except the two <u>seder</u> nights.

## **WOMEN: MINIMUM TO PRAY**

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The minimum amount of prayer that women and girls 12 years old and up must say varies according to several opinions:

- Opinion that *RMH* approves of:
  - Birchot ha'shachar (from al netilat yadaim--to u'maflee la'asot)
  - Birchot haTorah (from la'asok b'divrei Torah--to notein haTorah)
  - Yevarechecha/Eilu divarim she'ein/Eilu divarim she'adam
  - Elohai neshama
  - Asher natan 'sechvi... gomel chasadim tovim l'amo Yisrael
  - Shema (first line of shema plus Baruch shem kevod malchuto l'olam va'ed)
  - If they choose to say the morning <u>amida</u>, they should precede it with <u>emet, v'yatziv</u> until <u>ga'al</u> <u>yisrael.</u>
- Ramban: Women should say at least the anida of shacharit and of mincha.
- Another opinion: Women must say some prayer every day (but it may be any type of prayer, not only the fixed prayer services).
- Another opinion: Women do not need to say the <u>amida</u> and <u>emet v'yatziv</u> on <u>Shabbat</u> and <u>Jewish</u> festivals (that is, whenever we are not asking for anything).
- Women who have small children who require the mother's constant attention should not say any
  prayers except for <u>birchot ha'shachar</u> and <u>birchot haTorah</u>.

For more on women and the shema, see Women and Shema in Shacharit.

## WOMEN: ROOM DIVIDER/MECHITZA

### Women: Room Divider/Mechitza

For women and room divider/mechitza, see Where To Pray: Distracting People/Mechitza.