

Brich Rachamana

Lyrics: Aramaic Grace after meals
Music and additional lyrics: Judith Silver

♩ = 100

#1 Brich ra - cha - ma - na mal - ka di al - ma

#2 Bless - ed is the all - mer - ci - ful cre -

#3 Brich, brich, brich ra - cha - ma - na

#4 We have ea - ten and been sa - tis - fied. May we

#5 #6 Make po - ver - ty his - to - ry,

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#1 Brich ra - cha - ma - na ma'a - rey d' - hai pi - ta

#2 a - tor of the earth.

#3 mal - ka di al - ma ma'a - rey d' - hai pi - ta

#4 not ig - nore those who lack the food they need;

#5 #6 make po - ver - ty his - to - ry

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#1 Brich ra - cha - ma - na _____ mal - ka di al - ma _____

#2 Bless - ed is the all - mer - ci - ful cre -

#3 Brich, _____ brich, _____ brich ra - cha - ma - na _____

#4 O - pen our eyes, our hearts, our hands so we may

#5 Make po - ver - ty _____ his - to - ry, do it

#6

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#1 Brich ra - cha - ma - na ma'a - rey d' - hai pi - ta.

#2 a - tor of this _____ bread.

#3 mal - ka di al - ma ma'a - rey d' - hai pi - ta.

#4 share your gifts _____ and ba - nish hun - ger from this world.

#5 now, make it his - to - ry! _____

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This is said to be the shortest form of Grace one should say/sing after eating. The original text literally means: "Blessed is the merciful One, ruler of the world, creator of this bread." The words in the "We have eaten and been satisfied..." section are said as part of the Reform and Liberal Grace after meals in the UK, attributed to Rabbi Hugo Gryn. The "make poverty history" phrase is the name of a campaign founded in the UK in 2005. As I worked through the song, creating the lines one by one, that phrase felt like it flowed and fitted perfectly: a call to action when we're at a peak moment of recognising and giving thanks for what we've been given and others have not...