

אֲדוֹן עוֹלָם was added to the Siddur more than five hundred years ago. It was placed after the mourner's Kaddish, perhaps to provide comfort. The upbeat melodies to which it is sung help serve this purpose, and allow us to leave for home with a feeling of faith and joy.

אֲדוֹן עוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר מֶלֶךְ, בְּטָרָם כָּל יְצִיר נִבְרָא.
לַעֲת נַעֲשֶׂה בְּחִפְצוֹ כָּל, אֲזִי מֶלֶךְ שְׁמוֹ נִקְרָא.

וְאַחֲרֵי כְּכֹלֹת הַכֹּל, לְבַדּוֹ יִמְלֹךְ נוֹרָא.
וְהוּא הָיָה, וְהוּא הוּהוּ, וְהוּא יִהְיֶה, בְּתַפְאָרָה.

וְהוּא אֶחָד וְאֵין שְׁנַי, לְהַמְשִׁיל לוֹ לְהַחֲבִירָה.
בְּלִי רֵאשִׁית בְּלִי תַכְלִית, וְלוֹ הָעוֹז וְהַמְשֻׁרָה.

וְהוּא אֱלֹהֵי וְחֵי גֹאֲלִי, וְצוֹר חֻבְלֵי בְּעֵת צָרָה.
וְהוּא נְסִי וּמְנוֹס לִי, מִנֶּת כּוֹסֵי בְּיוֹם אֶקְרָא.

בְּיָדוֹ אֶפְקִיד רוּחִי, בְּעֵת אֵישָׁן וְאָעִירָה.
וְעַם רוּחִי גְּוִיֹתִי, יְיָ לִי וְלֹא אִירָא.

Master of the universe who reigned before any thing was created. God was, is, and always will be. God is One; there is no other. None can compare. Without beginning or end; power and dominion are Yours. You are my God, my Redeemer, the Rock of my destiny in times of distress. Into Your hand I trust my spirit, when I sleep and when I wake. Adonai is with me; I shall not fear.