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## לקבע מזוזה - *Blessing For A Mezuzah*

In the Torah, it is written: "And you shall write them [these words]  
on the doorposts of your house..." (Deuteronomy 6:9)

From there, Judaism instituted the practice of placing a small container  
on the doorpost of the house with the words of Deuteronomy 6: 4-9  
inscribed on small parchment scrolls.

Since the act of placing a mezuzah is considered a *mitzvah* (commandment),  
a special blessing is said as the container is affixing to the doorpost.

The mezuzah is placed on the doorpost about one third of the way down  
at a 45 degree angle facing in toward the house.

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בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם,  
אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ לְקַבֵּעַ מְזוּזָה.

*Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha-olam,  
asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu likbo-ah mezzuzah.*

Blessed are You, *Adonai* our God, Sovereign of the universe,  
Who makes us holy with *mitzvot* (commandments) and commands us to affix the mezuzah.

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