

Khevre Freylekh (Friends, Rejoice)

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Khevre, freylekh, nit geshvign,

Git a zing dem sheynem nign,

[Friends, rejoice, don't sit still, belt out this tune so beautiful]

Zing dos lid fun treyst, nekhome,

Zing mit harts un mit neshome,

[Sing to comfort and console, sing with all your heart and soul]

Es vet di velt dos lid derhern,

Felker veln sholem vern,

[The whole wide world will hear this song, peoples all will get along]

Es vet di beyze nakht farshvindn,

Un di zun vet hel zikh tsindn,

[The evil night will pass away and the sun will light the day]

Un es vet onhebn tsu togn,

Felker veln zikh mer nit shlogn,

[And day will begin to break, nations no more war will wreak]

Sholem-glokn veln klingen,

Ir vet ale mit mir zingen,

[Bells of peace will ring, along with me you all will sing]