

salaam achshav by jeremy gimbel and shira tirdof

peace, now

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Musically, "Salaam Achshav" is an homage to the Dave Matthews Band song, "Grey Street," a favorite of mine. Lyricaly, I really tried to get the point across that rallies and lectures about peace are necessary and wonderful, but at some point our leaders actually have to do something about it. The song came out of a place of frustration. For years, we have seen these movements to make something happen and to create a lasting peace, but we're still left in conflict. While conflict in general is inevitable, in present day Israel, it has gone on long enough. There must be some way to make a successful and lasting peace. And while I am not nearly qualified enough to be at the negotiation tables, this song is a call to action for those who can realize that the time for action is now.

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Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F#

8 G Bm A D/F# G

I. We turn _____ a - no - ther page And say

11 Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F#

_____ we'll take some ac-tion _____ If ev - ery - one wants _____ peace

14 G Bm A D/F# G A Bm

Then we've got _____ to let it hap-pen _____ This is what we have got

18 G A C

_____ to give This is what we _____ live _____

Chorus

21 D A Bm

This _____ is _____ our _____ time _____ this _____ is _____ our _____ fate _____ We _____ must _____ stand _____ up

24 G D A
— be - fore it's too — late We need sa - laam ach -

27 G D A
shav — This — is — our — chance — this — is — our — voice

31 Bm G D A
— We — have — no — o - ther — choice — Sa - laam Ach -

35 G Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F# G Bm A D/F#
To Coda ⊕
shav —

44 G Bm A D/F# G
2. If we put — our dif-feren-ces a - side — If we find

47 Bm Am D/F# G Bm Am D/F#
— our com-mon ground If we see — a way to o - pen the door

50 G Bm A D/F# G A Bm
— Peace — will — be — found — No one said it'd be ea -

54 G A C *D.S. al Coda* ⊕
- sy — But we still have to try —

Instrumental

♩ Coda
57 Bm A/C# D/F# G

61 Bm A/C# D/F# G

65 Bm A/C# D/F# G

69 G D A

We turn a - no - ther page And say__

72 Bm G D

__ we'll take some ac - tion__ If ev - ery-one wants__ peace

75 A G

Then we've got__ to__ let it hap - pen__

Final Chorus

78 D A Bm

This__ is__ our__ time__ this__ is__ our__ fate__ We__ must__ stand__ up

81 G D A G

__ be-fore it's too__ late We need sa - laam ach - shav__

85 D A

— This is our chance this is our voice

88 Bm G

— We have no o - ther choice

90 D A G

Sa - laam Ach - shav

Peace, now!

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