Introduction: The Passover event foreshadows the Messiah's life, ministry, death and resurrection. Tonight, we will observe this truth through the Hebrew Scriptures, the New Testament fulfillments and the traditional Jewish Seder.

The Primary Hebrew Scriptures that we will utilize is Exodus 12, which details the Passover lamb. In the New Testament or Brit Chadashah, we will examine Luke 22 and within the Jewish Seder Tradition, we will follow the order contained in the Haggadah (telling or story). Seder is a Hebrew word that means "order." So we will naturally follow the thirteen stages of the Jewish Seder. Interestingly, Jewish Tradition recognizes that like the thirteen stages of the Seder, there were thirteen steps that the Jewish people walked when entering the temple. In the New Testament, Yeshua (Jesus) had twelve disciples plus himself, which makes up the number thirteen. As you will see, the Passover, the Haggadah tradition and of course, the New Testament tell an amazing story regarding Israel's Messiah whom we believe to be Yeshua of Nazareth, God the Son, the 2nd person of the Triune God.

The Lord's Passover:

Exodus 12:1-4 1 The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, 2 "This month shall be for you the beginning of months. It shall be the first month of the year for you. 3 Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. 4 And if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb.

<u>Biblical Truth:</u> The first night of Passover is celebrated in the home (*Bayit*). We invite family and friends to celebrate this special night of redemption from bitter bondage in Egypt. The home is a central meeting spot for followers of God. We are called to train up our children, fellowship with one another as well as show hospitality toward our family, neighbors and friends in our homes.

<u>New Testament Truth:</u> In a similar way, followers of Yeshua (Jesus) celebrate their deliverance from bitter bondage to sin and death with their *oikos* or family and sphere of influence.

<u>Jewish Tradition</u>: Notice that verse 1 calls Passover the beginning of months. In Jewish tradition, Rosh Hashanah, which is a celebration during of the Jewish new year in the seventh biblical month. Passover is literally, the biblical new year.

<u>Special Note:</u> The chapter begins with the LORD speaking to Moses in the land of Egypt. The story of the Passover highlights that God is the one true God and neither Pharaoh nor any of the so-called Gods can stand before him.

Exodus 12: 11-13 In this manner you shall eat the Passover: with your belt fastened, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. And you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD's Passover. 12 For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the LORD. 13 The blood shall be a sign for you, on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague will befall you to destroy you, when I strike the land of Egypt. 14 "This day shall be for you a memorial day, and you shall keep it as a feast to the LORD; throughout your generations, as a statute forever, you shall keep it as a feast.

<u>Biblical Truth:</u> Egypt was a symbol of the world and Pharaoh was a type of anti-god or even anti-Messiah because he claimed to be a so-called god man. As the LORD sought to deliver his children from Egypt (world) at the hands of the anti-god (Pharaoh) who was in his own right a persecutor of the children of God and a defamer of the God himself when he said things like "who is this God that I should let his people go (Exodus 5:2)?" The Israelites exodus from Egypt was a power encounter between God and Egypt and everything in it. God wanted them to leave quickly. Once their new life began, it was time to Go and start to address their new life and the plan that God had for them.

<u>Personal:</u> What about you? Do you recognize the power of God all around you and in your life? Have you started your journey? Stalled? Let the Passover and the work of Israel's Messiah move you to a new place of blessing and victory in your life.

Luke 22:14-15 And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. 15 And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.

New Testament Truth: Yeshua celebrated the Passover. The Passover was his last supper.

Special Note: For three and a half years, Yeshua revealed himself as Israel's Messiah in a public Ministry. He lived a perfect life dedicated to the will of the Father. He did signs and wonders and fulfilled Messianic Prophecy (Scriptures from the first testament that direct us toward the person, nature, work, suffering, death and resurrection of the Messiah). Now his ministry would change to the that of the suffering servant. In the Scriptures, there are many passages that reveal the Messiah's suffering. At this point in the New Covenant narrative, Yeshua's suffering would intensify because from this point on he would be betrayed, arrested, mocked, scourged and crucified for your sins and mine.

Bedikat Chametz (Removal of the leaven):

Exodus 12:14-15 14 "This day is to be a memorial for you.[a] You are to keep it as a feast to Adonai. Throughout your generations you are to keep it as an eternal ordinance. 15 For seven days you are to eat Matzaht, but on the first day you must remove chametz from your houses,[b] for whoever eats chametz from the first day until the seventh day, that soul will be cut off from Israel.

<u>Biblical Truth:</u> Leaven or Yeast (Chametz) is removed from the home for seven days. Unleavened bread of Matzah is eaten for seven days. They did not have time to let the bread rise so they eat Matzah for seven days as a reminder of the night that the Lord freed them from Egypt.

<u>Special Note:</u> Leaven is a symbol of corruption. The Israelites eat non-corrupted bread or unleavened bread as a picture of their new identity as a holy people of God.

<u>Jewish Tradition:</u> The Jewish people remove all the leaven from their homes and eat Matzah for seven days. To prepare for the Passover Seder all the leaven is removed from their home. The final leaven crumbs are gathered up with a wood spoon and a feather. Then, the father burns the final crumbs to show that the house is cleansed of leaven. With his family and friends gathered around him, he asks God to forgive if he has missed any leaven and to make it like the dust of the earth so that he will not be cut off from Israel. He then can begin the Passover.

<u>New Testament Truth:</u> Yeshua ate Matzah on the night that he was betrayed. He also made leaven a symbol of sin when he said, "beware of the leaven of the Pharisees."

<u>Special Note:</u> We are called to live a life devoted to the will of God and free from sin. When we do sin, we need to confess and repent as soon as the *Ruach Ha Kodesh* (Holy Spirit) brings it to our attention. For the Scripture teaches, "if we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us of all unrighteousness (1John 1:9)."

Recite the blessing (before the beginning of Jewish festivals, the following prayer is said.)

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech haolam, shehechehyanu, v'kiy'manu, v'higianu laz'man hazeh.

Our praise to You, Eternal our God, Sovereign of all: for giving us life, sustaining us, and enabling us to reach this season.

Candle Lighting -

Psalm 118:27 The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us. Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!

<u>Jewish Tradition:</u> The mother of the house lights the Passover lights. She has directed the home to this moment and she alone deserves the high honor of ushering in the holy day.

<u>Biblical Truth:</u> In the same manner that the woman brings for the light of Passover, we are reminded that the woman brought forth the light of the light of the world - Yeshua. In Isaiah 7:14 it states, "Behold the virgin shall conceive and bring forth a child and we shall call him Emmanuel (God is with us).

New Testament Fulfillment: Mathew teaches that Yeshua is our Emmanuel (Matthew 1:23).

Blessed art thou, O Lord our God, King of the universe, who hast sanctified us by thy commandments and commanded us to kindle the Festival lights. Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitz-vo-tav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik neir shel yom tov. בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר קַדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיוּ וְצִוְנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל יוֹם טוֹב.

Light the candles

Explanation of the Four Cups at the Passover

<u>Biblical/Jewish Tradition:</u> Tonight we will drink four cups of wine or grape juice to remind us of the "four I wills" found in Exodus 6:6-7.

Exodus 6:6-7. 6 Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. 7 I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.

The first cup - I will sanctify you The second cup - I will deliver you The third cup - I will redeem you The fourth cup - I will accept you

New Testament Fulfillment: Through Messiah, we all receive the same promises. I will separate you from the world, I will deliver you from sin and death, I will redeem you for the purpose of spreading the gospel and I will accept you to be my people.

1) KADESH – The Cup of Sanctification

<u>Jewish Tradition</u>: *Hold the cup of wine or great juice in your right hand and recite:*

Blessed art thou O Lord Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יִיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ our God, King of the Melech ha-olam, borei p'ri Universe who created the ha-gafen fruit of the vine.

Luke 22:16-18 For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." 17 And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. 18 For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

New Testament Truth: Yeshua began his Passover with the blessing of the cup.

Drink the cup

2) URCHATZ - Handwashing -

<u>Jewish Tradition:</u> Pour water from a cup or dip fingers into a basin on each hand over a sink or bowl without reciting a blessing in preparation to eat the Karpas or Parsley.

Psalm 51:1-2 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. 2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!

We wash our hands without the prayer.

John 13:4-5 4 (Yeshua) rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. **5** Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and to wipe them with the towel that was wrapped around him.

<u>NT Truth:</u> Yeshua reveals a new kind of ministry when he washes the feet of his disciple and ushers in the ministry of servant leadership.

3) KARPAS – Dipping of the green vegetable

JT: Parsley is dipped to symbolize the rebirth of spring and the new harvest season. The salt water reminds us of the tears shed in Egypt. A life of slavery is a life of tears.

NT: A life of slavery to sin is a life of tears.

Blessed art thou O Lord our God, King of the Universe who created the fruit of the Earth. Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, borei p'ri ha-adamah. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פָּרִי הָאַדָּמָה.

Dip the Parsley in salt water and eat.

Exodus 12:21-23. 21 Then Moses called all the elders of Israel and said to them, "Go and select lambs for yourselves according to your clans, and kill the Passover lamb. 22 Take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood that is in the basin, and touch the lintel and the two doorposts with the blood that is in the basin. None of you shall go out of the door of his house until the morning. 23 For the LORD will pass through to strike the Egyptians, and when he sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, the LORD will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to enter your houses to strike you.

NT - When we apply the blood on the door post and lintels, the blood foreshadows the method of execution of the Lamb of God on heavy wood beams. The application of the blood will highlight our salvation. Just as the destroyer passes over the homes when he sees the blood, when we by grace through faith apply his blood to our lives, then we pass from death to new abundant and eternal life.

4) YACHATZ – Breaking the middle Matzah – Breaking the middle Matzah – Hide one half for the children to find and return to the father after the dinner.

Exodus 12:16-20 16 On the first day you shall hold a holy assembly, and on the seventh day a holy assembly. No work shall be done on those days. But what everyone needs to eat, that alone may be prepared by you. 17 And you shall observe the Feast of Unleavened Bread, for on this very day I brought your hosts out of the land of Egypt. Therefore you shall observe this day, throughout your generations, as a statute forever. 18 In the first month, from the fourteenth day of the month at evening, you shall eat unleavened bread until the twenty-first day of the month at evening. 19 For seven days no leaven is to be found in your houses. If anyone eats what is leavened, that person will be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he is a sojourner or a native of the land. 20 You shall eat nothing leavened; in all your dwelling places you shall eat unleavened bread."

BT - We eat unleavened bread.

JT - We house the unleavened bread in a Matzah Tosh (Special three compartment pouch to remind us of the patriarchs Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

NT - The three compartment matzah is the nature of God. One pouch in three compartments illustrates one God in three persons which are the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Break the middle Matzah

Isaiah 53:4-6 4 Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his stripes we are healed. 6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned--every one--to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. 7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? 9 And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth.

NT - The middle matzah is the son. The Matzah is without yeast is a picture of the incarnation, when the Son put on human flesh and lived the sinless life. The stripes, piercing and bruising highlights his suffering for our sins. The breaking and wrapping in the white napkin reveals his death and burial. When this piece is brought back after the dinner, we witness a retelling of the death, burial and resurrection of Yeshua.

5) MAGGID – Story of the Exodus – All Traditions agree - The bondage was bitter and oppressive.

JT - The Story of the Israel's time in Egypt is told at this time. The story begins with the four questions, details the ten plagues and concludes with *Dayenu*.

BT - The story of the exodus is detailed in Exodus chapters 1-13. The biblical authors refer to story of the exodus throughout the Scriptures. This is a seminole event in Israelite History.

NT - The New Testament reflects on the Passover as a picture of the Messiah's work. The Exodus also parallels the journey of the believer from a life of bitter bondage to sin, despair, futility and ultimately death to eternal life through the work of the Lamb of God; Yeshua.

The Children

Exodus 12:24-28 24 You shall observe this rite as a statute for you and for your sons forever. 25 And when you come to the land that the LORD will give you, as he has promised, you shall keep this service. 26 And when your children say to you, 'What do you mean by this service?' 27 you

shall say, 'It is the sacrifice of the LORD's Passover, for he passed over the houses of the people of Israel in Egypt, when he struck the Egyptians but spared our houses.'" And the people bowed their heads and worshiped. 28 Then the people of Israel went and did so; as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so they did.

The four questions recited by the child or children under thirteen years old.

The youngest child (or any individual) asks (or sings): Why is this night different from all other nights? *Ma nishtanah ha-lailah ha-zeh mi-kol ha-leilot?*

- 1. On all other nights we eat either bread or *matzah*; on this night, why only matzah?
- 2. On all other nights we eat herbs or vegetables of any kind; on this night why bitter herbs?
- 3. On all other nights we do not dip even once; on this night why do we dip twice?
- 4. On all other nights we eat our meals in any manner; on this night why do we sit around the table together in a reclining position?

The rest of the participants at the Seder answer:

We were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt, and God brought us out with a strong hand and an outstretched arm. And if God had not brought our ancestors out of Egypt, we and our children and our children's children would still be subjugated to Pharaoh in Egypt. Even if we were all old and wise and learned in Torah, we would still be commanded to tell the story of the Exodus from Egypt. And the more we talk about the Exodus from Egypt, the more praiseworthy we are.

ALL TRADITIONS: It is important to pass these truths to our children.

Exodus Chapter 1:1-14 1 These are the names of the sons of Israel who came to Egypt with Jacob, each with his household: 2 Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, 3 Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, 4 Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. 5 All the descendants of Jacob were seventy persons; Joseph was already in Egypt. 6 Then Joseph died, and all his brothers and all that generation. 7 But the people of Israel were fruitful and increased greatly; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them. 8 Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. 9 And he said to his people, "Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. 10 Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." 11 Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses. 12 But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel. 13 So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves

Ten Plagues - As you remove a drop from your cup and put it on your plate for each plague, say the name of the plague.

- 1. Dam (blood)—All the water was changed to blood
- 2. Tzefardeyah (frogs)—An infestation of frogs sprang up in Egypt
- 3. *Kinim* (lice)—The Egyptians were afflicted by <u>lice</u>
- 4. Arov (wild animals)—An infestation of wild animals (some say flies) sprang up in Egypt
- 5. Dever (pestilence)—A plague killed off the Egyptian livestock
- 6. Sh'chin (boils)—An epidemic of boils afflicted the Egyptians
- 7. Barad (hail)—Hail rained from the sky
- 8. Arbeh (locusts)—Locusts swarmed over Egypt
- 9. Choshech (darkness)—Egypt was covered in darkness
- 10. *Makkat Bechorot* (killing of the first-born)—All the first-born sons of the Egyptians were slain by God

Exodus 18:4 and the name of the other (son of Aaron), Eliezer (for he said, "The God of my father was my help, and delivered me from the sword of Pharaoh").

BT - The Ten Plagues deliver the Israelites from the Egypt.

JT - These plagues are an attack on the gods of Egypt

NT - Yeshua did signs and wonders to reveal himself as the Messiah.

As we conclude the story of the Passover, we Sing Dayunu (See Song Sheet)

Dayenu-

Hebrew Version: *Ilu ho-tsi, ho-tsi-a-nu, Ho-tsi-anu mi-Mitz-ra-yim Ho-tsi-anu mi-Mitz-ra-yim Da-ye-nu*

Chorus

Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-da-ye-nu, Da-ye-nu Da-ye-nu

The Three Symbols: Lamb, the Matzah and the Maror

Exodus 12:8 8 They are to eat the meat that night, roasted over a fire. With Matzah and bitter herbs they are to eat it.

Rabbi Gamaliel, the head of the Sanhedrin (Rabbinical Court) during the Second Temple Period (first century CE), said one must discuss the three symbols of Passover in order to fulfill the biblical obligations).

Pesach: The lamb bone:

Exodus 12:3-10 3 Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the tenth day of this month every man shall take a lamb according to their fathers' houses, a lamb for a household. 4 And if the

household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor shall take according to the number of persons; according to what each can eat you shall make your count for the lamb. 5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, 6 and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight. 7 "Then they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. 8 They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. 9 Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted, its head with its legs and its inner parts. 10 And you shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn.

Isaiah 53:10-12 Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. 11 Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. 12 Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

The burnt egg: John 2:18-22 So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" 21 But he was speaking about the temple of his body. 22 When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

Romans 10:9 9 if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Eat the egg

BT - The Lamb bone foreshadows all five of Israel's sacrifices found in Leviticus 1-5. The sin offering because of the blood. The grain offering because of the unleavened bread. The peace offering because we eat the meat. The burnt offering because none of the meat was left but completely burned and the transgression because they were made holy and righteous, which transformed them into a new people.

JT - The Lamb bone symbolizes the sacrifices of the past and the waiting for the future sacrifices after the temple is rebuilt.

NT - Yeshua is the lamb of God. His death on the cross satisfies the picture established by the passover lamb and the requirements set by the sacrifices in Leviticus.

6) RACHATZ - N'tilat Yadayim (Ritual washing of hands) – Psalm 51:3-10

3 For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. 4 Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment. 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me. 6 Behold, you delight in truth in the inward being, and you teach me wisdom in the secret heart. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. 8 Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that you have broken rejoice. 9 Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. 10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Recite the blessing
Blessed art thou O Lord
our God, King of the
Universe, who has
sanctified us with thy
commandments, and
commanded us to wash
our hands.
Wash Your Hands

Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvo-tav, v'tzivanu al n'tee-las yadayim. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר קַדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיוּ וְצִוָּנוּ עַל נְטִילָת יָדִיָם. עַל נְטִילָת יָדִיָם.

7-8) MOTZI/MATZAH - Blessing over the bread & unleavened bread –

Exodus 12:39-42 39 And they baked unleavened cakes of the dough that they had brought out of Egypt, for it was not leavened, because they were thrust out of Egypt and could not wait, nor had they prepared any provisions for themselves. 40 The time that the people of Israel lived in Egypt was 430 years. 41 At the end of years, on that very day, all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt.

Recite the blessings

Blessed art Thou O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who brings bread from the earth. Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha-olam,ha-motzi lechem min ha-aretz. בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלְהֵינּוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם הַמּוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ.

Blessed art Thou O Lord our God, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with thy commandments and commanded Matzoh. Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha-olam, asher kidshanu b'mitzvo-tav v'tzivanu al a-chilat matzah.

בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר קִדשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיוּ וְצִוָּנוּ עַל אֲכִילַת מַצְּה. עַל אֲכִילַת מַצְה.

BT - The Unleavened bread is part of the sacrificial system.

JT - Leaven is a symbol of holiness. Eating the Matzah shows us God's desire to make us holy.

NT - The Matzah symbolizes the body of Yeshua. By eating the Matzah we participate in God's desire to make us like Yeshua.

Eat the Matzah

9) MAROR – Blessing over the bitter herbs – Exodus 1:14

14 and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they ruthlessly made them work as slaves.

Blessed art thou O Lord our God, King of the Universe, who has sanctified us with thy commandments, and commanded us to eat bitter herbs. Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu Melech ha-olam asher kidshanu b'mitzvo-tav, v'tzivanu al a-chilat maror. בָּרוּך אַתָּה יְיָ אֶלְהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר קַדְשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתִיוּ וְצַוָּנוּ עַל אָכִילַת מָרוֹר. עַל אָכִילַת מָרוֹר.

BT/JT- Represents the bitterness of slavery

NT - Represents the bitterness of a life of slavery to sin.

Eat the bitters with Matzah

10) *KORECH* – Eating the Charoseth with the bitters and Matzah: Exodus 12:8 & John 16:33

8 They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it.

John 16:33 Yeshua said, I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

Make the Matzah sandwich of bitters and Charoseth.

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Drink the second cup - then Raise the Matzah and say:

JT-This is the bread of affliction all who are hungry come and eat of this bread.

BT - The Matzah reminds us of our affliction in Egypt and the biblical injunction to help all those who are indeed and suffering.

NT - The Matzah reminds of the Messiah Yeshua who was afflicted on our behalf to deliver us from sin and death. As followers of Yeshua, we raise up the Messiah to an afflicted world and offer true life to all as well as seek to follow the biblical command to help those in need.

11) SHULCHAN ORECH – Dinner: Please serve dinner - During the meal the children search for the Afikomen

After the Meal Recite:

Exodus 12:29-32 29 At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sat on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn of the livestock. 30 And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he and all his servants and all the Egyptians. And there was a great cry in Egypt, for there was not a house where someone was not dead. 31 Then he summoned Moses and Aaron by night and said, "Up, go out from among my people, both you and the people of Israel; and go, serve the LORD, as you have said. 32 Take your flocks and your herds, as you have said, and be gone, and bless me also!"

12) TZAPHUN - Finding the Afikomen:

Exodus 12:33-34 33 The Egyptians were urgent with the people to send them out of the land in haste. For they said, "We shall all be dead." 34 So the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneading bowls being bound up in their cloaks on their shoulders.

Luke 22:19 And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

NT - Yeshua identifies with the Matzah. His body is given for us to remember what he did for us when he transforms us from a corrupted nature to an uncorrupted nature.

13) BARECH – Blessing over the third cup - The Cup of Redemption –

Exodus 15:13 "You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

Jeremiah 31 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah, 32 not like the covenant that I made with their fathers on the day when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt, my covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, declares the LORD. 33 But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Luke 22:20 And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

BT - The third cup symbolizes the third I will found in Exodus 6:6-7. God redeems Israel from Egypt.

JT - The third cup is the cup that is especially red because it reminds of the sacrifices during the temple times.

NT - The first cup after the meal is the cup that Yeshua says is his blood poured out for the New Covenant. This is the cup of redemption. We are redeemed in order to enter a new relationship with him.

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Drink the third cup

Eliyahu Ha Navi:

Malachi 3:1 "Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts.

Matthew 17:11 He answered, "Elijah does come, and he will restore all things. 12 But I tell you that Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but did to him whatever they pleased. So also the Son of Man will certainly suffer at their hands." 13 Then the disciples understood that he was speaking to them of John the Baptist.

Sing Eliyahu Ha Navi

Eliyahu ha-Navi, Eliyahu ha-Tishbi,

Eliyahu, Eliyahu, Eliyahu ha-Giladi.

Bimheirah, b'yameinu yavo eileinu,

Im Mashiach ben David, im Mashiach ben David.

Eliyahu ha-Navi, Eliyahu ha-Tishbi,

Eliyahu, Eliyahu, Eliyahu ha-Giladi.

May Elijah the prophet, Elijah the Tishbite, Elijah of Gilead, come to us quickly in our day heralding redemption, bringing with him the Messiah, the Son of David, Yeshua!

BT - Elijah the prophet comes to prepare the way for the Messiah.

JT - Elijah the prophet has a seat at the passover table.

NT - John the Baptist came in the Spirit of Elijah.

14) HALLEL - NIRTZAH: Exodus 12:35-36

35 The people of Israel had also done as Moses told them, for they had asked the Egyptians for silver and gold jewelry and for clothing. 36 And the LORD had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have what they asked. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.

Psalm 117

Praise LORD, all you nations; Sing praises, all you peoples! For great is God's love for us; God's faithfulness never-ending. Hallelujah!

The Great Hallel: Psalm 136

Give thanks to LORD, who is good, Whose love endures forever! Give thanks to the God of gods, Whose love endures forever! Give thanks to the Eternal One, Whose love endures forever!

Who alone works great wonders, Whose love endures forever! Who, with understanding, made the heavens, Whose love endures forever! Who stretched out the earth above the waters, Whose love endures forever! Who made the great lights, Whose love endures forever!

The sun, to rule by day, Whose love endures forever!
The moon and stars, to rule by night, Whose love endures forever!
Who gives food to all creatures, Whose love endures forever!
Give thanks to the God of heaven, Whose love endures forever!

Lyrics:

Hodu L'Adonai ki tov, ki l'olam chasdo! Hodu leylohey ha'Elohim, ki l'olam chasdo! Hodu L'Adonai ki tov, (hodu l'Adonai ha'adonim) Ki l'olam chasdo! (l'osey nifla-ot) Hodu L'Adonai ki tov, (g'dolot l'vado) Ki l'olam chasdo!

NIRTZAH – The Fourth Cup - the Cup of Acceptance

Exodus 13:4 Today, in the month of Abib, you are going out. 5 And when the LORD brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which he swore to your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, you shall keep this service in this month.

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Isaiah 40: 9-12 Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, "Behold your God!" 10 Behold, the Lord GOD comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him. 11 He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Acts 1:4-8 And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own

authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Next year may Jerusalem be at peace! Next year may all be free!

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