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## PASSOVER SEDER SUPPLEMENT

**Couch Comfortable Passover**

*with*

*Rabbi Paul Kipnes*

*Cantor Doug Cotler   Rabbi Julia Weisz*

**Songs, Stories, Seder Additions**

For all ages: Adults, Children, Individuals and Families

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## DEDICATE YOUR PASSOVER SEDER

Jewish tradition encourages us *kivein et libeinu* (to direct our hearts) toward holiness. We dedicate our seder to people (deceased or living) who, like Moses, Miriam, and Aaron, have helped lead us out of the narrowness, pain, and oppression, that have marked our lives and world:

### I dedicate tonight's seder to:



My Aaron, whose words or writing opened my eyes to the pain or injustice in my life or world, is...

Because...



My Miriam, who provided me with nourishing nurturing and courageous music, is...

Because ....



My Moses, who helped me stand up to injustice or pain, is...

Because...

**My *kavannah* (purpose or intention) for this year's Passover seder on Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup> is to:**

## CHAG PESACH SAMEIACH - HAPPY PASSOVER!

*Last year, we ended our seders saying “Lshana Haba’a B’yirushalayim – Next Year in Jerusalem.” Socially and physically distanced and emotionally saddened, we gathered for what turned out to be surprisingly meaningful seders over Zoom, What’s App, and Facetime. How many enjoyed seders with participants from multiple states and other countries?*

*It’s now “next year.” While we might not be in Jerusalem (or in other cities or states with relatives), we still are able to enjoy the unique joys of “Zoom Seders” as far-flung relatives participate. With the prospect of vaccinations leading us out of the bondage of the coronavirus, we finally can imagine that Next Year – 5782 / 2022 – we might actually be in Jerusalem or elsewhere in our far-flung Jewish Diaspora.*

*Yet again, Or Ami’s clergy and leaders, guided by medical professionals, with the help of our incredible staff, and the guidance of LiveControl.io, transcend physical distances to bring the warmth and creativity of Congregation Or Ami to your seder table (or your living room TV).*

*Our Couch Comfortable Holy Day celebrations morph again to create this exciting seder. We hope to have us learning and laughing, kvelling and contemplating, pondering and preparing to lead ourselves from slavery to freedom, from pain to possibility.*

*Our Passover seder, on Sunday, March 28th, will be meaningful, contemporary, and couch-comfortable! Tune in to feel the warmth of our community. Sing Pesach songs with Cantor Doug Cotler, reflect upon Pesach’s timeless message and contemporary critiques with Rabbis Julia Weisz and Paul Kipnes, and enjoy the creative video ritual reflections of our own congregants.*

*Let this Passover Seder Supplement guide you on your annual exodus to freedom. It contains song lyrics and resources to create your own engaging first night seder. Can’t figure out the technology? Tech help is just a phone call away.*

*On the blank pages, dedicate your seder to those who, as your Moses, Miriam and Aaron, led you on your life’s path, and reflect on your own spiritual seder journey. With the Passover Celebration Bags, created by our Henaynu team and available during the Passover Drive Thru ([orami.org/RSVP](http://orami.org/RSVP)), you can shape your Seder experience ahead.*

*The Haggadah – that book that guides us through the seder – reminds us that we left Egypt both to be free from oppression, and also, with the guidance of Torah, to pursue our commitment to our Jewish values, including chesed v’rachamim (kindness and compassion) and tzedek v’emet (justice and truth). Together may we fill our world with renewed faith in the future.*

*One final suggestion: even as you stream our Passover seder, simultaneously set up a private call, FaceTime, Duo, or Zoom with family or dear friends. That way, you can “celebrate Seder together.”*

*Chag Pesach Sameich — Wishing you a happy Passover*

**Susie Gruber, Henaynu Chair • Lesli Kraut, President • Rabbi Paul Kipnes**



## How to Stream Services

Stream the service at **oramiLIVE.com** or on Congregation Or Ami's Facebook page **facebook.com/CongregationOrAmiCalabasas**.

Connect your computer to a television screen for enhanced view.  
For ideas on how, visit **orami.org/tech**.

## Live Tech Support

If you have questions or experience difficulty accessing any of our services, live technical support is available to assist you.

Prior to services, you can reach us Monday through Friday, 9 am - 5 pm.

On Sunday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, you can reach us starting at 5:30 pm:

Contact us by phone:

**① 818-697-0974    ② 818-223-1228    ③ 818-584-6621**

\*If you don't get through to one phone number, please try another.

Contact us by email: **office@orami.org**

For complete information and updates on our Passover service, visit **orami.org/passover**



## REFLECT: MY SPIRITUAL SEDER JOURNEY

The secret to a delicious Seder dinner is in the food preparation. The secret to a meaningful Passover is in preparations we make for our souls. Passover celebrates the historic journey of the Jewish people from slavery to freedom. Physically oppressed, we turned to God to bring us physical release. Spiritually confused, we engaged with the Divine One at Mt. Sinai, changing our lives and leading us to the Promised Land.

The historic Exodus is also a personal journey. Understood as a word, *Mitzrayim*, Hebrew for Egypt, means “the twice-narrow place.” We identify our spiritual Egypt, the source of bondage and pain in our lives.

**MITZRAYIM:** Where in your life do you feel in a narrow place, constrained and claustrophobic? Do you feel enslaved to issues of health? Or loneliness? Lost love or the loss of a loved one? Your career? Lack of direction in your life? See that narrowness in your life, and you may have found your Egypt.

**TEN PLAGUES:** What disappointments have you endured in your Mitzrayim?

**MATZAH:** What have you not been able to give proper time, attention and nurturance to, because of the concerns of your Mitzrayim?

**PROMISED LAND:** How would you hope your life will be different in the future?

**RED SEA:** What obstacles must you pass through in order to reach your Promised Land?

**GOD:** What do you ask of this power/energy for goodness in order that you may be able to journey forth to freedom in the Promised Land?

## CHECKLIST: TO DO BEFORE SERVICES

### Do Now (or Very Soon)

- ☐ Read *Mikdash M'at - Creating a Home Sanctuary* (p. 5)
- ☐ Connect your computer to your television ([orami.org/tech](http://orami.org/tech))
- ☐ Test the stream at [oramiLIVE.com](http://oramiLIVE.com) ([orami.org/tech](http://orami.org/tech))

### Prepare

- ☐ Make your sitting area comfortable
- ☐ Hang your *Shiviti* ([orami.org/shiviti](http://orami.org/shiviti))
- ☐ Decorate your whole house for Passover
- ☐ Consider adding new symbols to your Seder plate (pp. 8-9)

### Gather

- ☐ Seder plate and all its symbols
- ☐ *Haggadah* (Book guiding us through the seder)
- ☐ Passover Seder Supplement
- ☐ Pen/Pencil

### Reflect and Fill Out

- ☐ Dedicate your Passover Seder (inside cover)

## TO DO FOLLOWING SERVICES

### Give

- ☐ Donate to our Passover Tzedakah Drive. We are working with partner organizations to provide a van to help care for the unhoused with *About My Father's Business*, Pastor Kathy Huck's homeless outreach ministry; sponsor heart surgeries for young children around the world through Israel's *Save a Child's Heart*; and support Jewish pluralism in Israel thru our Reform Jewish sister synagogues near Jerusalem. Any additional funds help Or Ami teach the values of *tikkun olam* (repairing the world) throughout our community. Please dig deep and give:  
**[orami.org/donate](http://orami.org/donate)**

### Kvell (Praise)

- ☐ After the service, offer thanks and praise to those who created this beautiful seder experience. Send Rabbi Kipnes an email so we can pass on your praises: **[rabbipaul@orami.org](mailto:rabbipaul@orami.org)**.

## MIKDASH M'AT - CREATING A HOME SANCTUARY

Without a physical place of worship, how can we pray? The rabbis asked the same question right after the destruction of the Jerusalem Temple. Their answer: our homes become our *mikdash m'at* (miniature sanctuary), our personal holy place.

While we are not able to gather in Or Ami's usual sanctuary, we still can create sacred space in our homes. Prior to Passover, take time to create a special seder space, so that when you are streaming Congregation Or Ami's seder, the festival of freedom surrounds you.

- ☐ Choose your seder space carefully in advance.
- ☐ Say a blessing or *kavannah* ("intention") over it to mark it as your *mikdash m'at*.

*Birkat Habayit* (home blessing):

<i>B'zeh hasha'ar lo yavo tza'ar.</i>	Let no sorrow come through this gate.
<i>B'zot hadirah lo tavo tzara.</i>	Let no trouble come in this dwelling.
<i>B'zot hadelet lo tavo behala.</i>	Let no fright come through this door.
<i>B'zot hamach'laka lo tavo machloket.</i>	Let no conflict come to this section.
<i>B'zeh hamakom t'hee v'racha v'shalom.</i>	Let there be blessing and peace in this place.

- ☐ Make your space reflect the Festival of Freedom: Decorate your room with seder decorations: cherished seder plates or kiddish cups, and Passover decorations made by younger family members. Surround yourself with cherished mementos, family heirlooms, and photos of loved ones.
- ☐ Transform your computer from your work space to a festive stage (*bima*) by covering the desk or table with a colorful tablecloth, colorful runner, or colorful placemat. Add a vase of flowers.
- ☐ Move your computer, if possible, away from where you are sitting, so you can pray toward the screen, rather than looking down on it. Connect your computer to a TV so it feels less like a work device.
- ☐ *Shiviti*: Historically, many synagogues and even homes had a decorative work on the wall called a Shiviti, taken from the first Hebrew word of the verse, "I always set Adonai before me" (Psalm 16:8). We have commissioned a *shiviti* from artist and congregant Isaac Brynjegard-Bialik as a gift to all service participants. We hope you will hang it in front of you, so it becomes another focus of inspiration. You can download it at [orami.org/shiviti](http://orami.org/shiviti).

## 4 RESOURCES FOR ENGAGING SEDERS

Offering an engaging Passover seder requires pre-planning, creativity, and great resources. The Jewish web is a vast repository of resources. Our favorites include:

### **[Orami.org/passover](https://Orami.org/passover)**

Resources to make your in person or virtual seder lively, engaging, and meaningful.

### **[ReformJudaism.org/passover](https://ReformJudaism.org/passover)**

This multi-part resource can help you re-imagine your usual traditions and incorporate digital content that will enliven the virtual rendition of your Passover seder.

### **[CCARPress.org](https://CCARPress.org)**

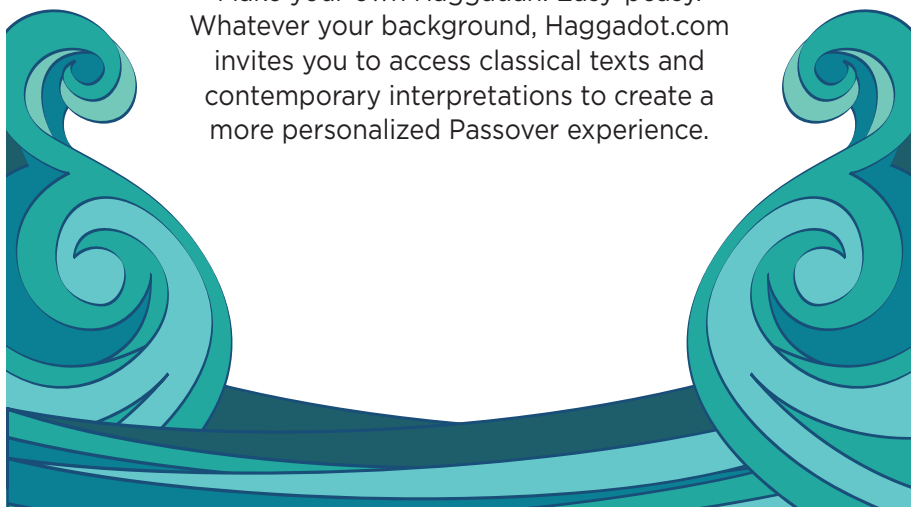
Our Reform Movement press offers 6 Haggadot as well as multiple ebooks and flipbooks at [ccarnet.org/publications/ccar-press-passover-resources/](https://ccarnet.org/publications/ccar-press-passover-resources/)

### **[pjlibrary.org/passover](https://pjlibrary.org/passover)**

For young people and the families who love them, PJ Library provides videos, songs, accessible online Haggadot to enhance your Passover.

### **[Haggadot.org](https://Haggadot.org)**

Make your own Haggadah. Easy-peasy. Whatever your background, Haggadot.com invites you to access classical texts and contemporary interpretations to create a more personalized Passover experience.



## NEW TRADITIONS FOR SEDER PLATES

Passover goads us to weave our ancient Jewish journey from oppression to freedom with the contemporary pursuit of justice, compassion, and equity for all. Ever since Jews added a 4th matzah as a call for freedom for Soviet and Ethiopian Jewry, Jewish families have been adding items to their seder table. Consider integrating some of these.

***More at [reformjudaism.org/8-modern-additions-seder-plate](https://reformjudaism.org/8-modern-additions-seder-plate)***

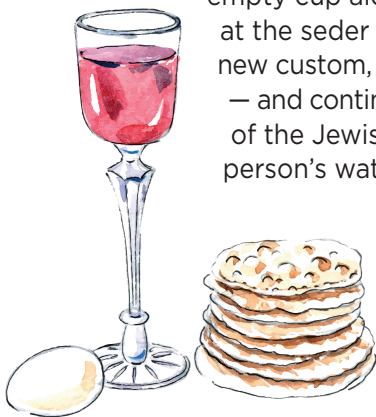
### AN ORANGE FOR LGBTQ+ EQUALITY

Many families and congregations have begun adding an orange to the seder plate as a way of acknowledging the role of people who feel marginalized within the Jewish community. Professor Susannah Heschel explains that in the 1980s, feminists at Oberlin College placed a crust of bread on the seder plate, saying, “There’s as much room for a lesbian in Judaism as there is for a crust of bread on the seder plate.” Heschel adapted this practice, placing an orange on her family’s seder plate and asking each attendee to take a segment of the orange, make the blessing over fruit, and eat it as a gesture of solidarity with LGBTQ Jews and others who are marginalized within the Jewish community. They spit out the orange seeds, which were said to represent homophobia.



### MIRIAM'S CUP TO HONOR WOMEN

This custom celebrates Miriam’s role in the deliverance from slavery and her help throughout the wandering in the wilderness. Place an empty cup alongside Elijah’s cup and ask each attendee at the seder to pour a bit of water into the cup. With this new custom, we recognize that women have always been — and continue to be — integral to the continued survival of the Jewish community. We see the pouring of each person’s water as a symbol of everyone’s individual responsibility to respond to issues of social injustice.



## A POTATO FOR ETHIOPIAN JEWRY

In 1991, Israel launched Operation Solomon, a covert plan to bring Ethiopian Jews to the Holy Land. When they arrived in Israel, many were so ill that they were unable to digest substantial food. Israeli doctors fed these new immigrants simple boiled potatoes and rice until their systems could handle more substantial food. To commemorate them at your seder, eat potatoes alongside the karpas (green spring vegetable). Announce to those present that this addition honors a wondrous exodus in our own time, from Ethiopia to Israel.



## FAIR TRADE CHOCOLATE OR COCOA BEANS FOR LABOR ISSUES

The fair trade movement promotes economic partnerships based on equality, justice and sustainable environmental practices. We have a role in the process by making consumer choices that promote economic fairness for those who produce our products around the globe. Fair Trade certified chocolate and coca beans are grown under standards that prohibit the use of forced labor. They can be included on the seder plate to remind us that although we escaped from slavery in Egypt, forced labor is still very much an issue today.



## A BANANA FOR REFUGEES

During the summer of 2015, the world was awakened and shattered by the images of a little boy whose body lay lifeless amidst the gentle surf of a Turkish beach — another nameless victim amongst thousands in the Syrian refugee crisis, the greatest refugee crisis since WWII. His name was Aylan Kurdi, 3, and he drowned with his brother, Galip, 5, and their mother, Riham, on their exodus to freedom's distant shore. Aylan and Galip's father, Abdullah, survived the harrowing journey, and in teaching the world about his sons, he shared that they loved bananas, a luxury in their native, war-torn Syria. Every day after work, Abdullah brought home a banana for his sons to share, a sweet sign of his enduring love for them. Writes Rabbi Dan Moskovitz: "We place a banana on our seder table and tell this story to remind us of Aylan, Galip and children everywhere who are caught up in this modern day exodus. May they be guarded and protected along their journey to safety, shielded by the love of their parents, watched over by God full of mercy and compassion."



## CASHEWS FOR THE TROOPS

Rabbi Wesley Gardenswartz started the tradition of adding cashews to the seder plate to honor military troops. The idea came from a sign at a drug store that asked customers to consider buying bags of cashews to send to troops stationed in Iraq. An employee whose son was serving abroad explained that the salted cashews provided sustenance and hydration in Iraq's desert climate, compelling the rabbi to make the addition to his congregation's seder plate. A communal member writes, "Adding the cashews honors the gratitude and loyalty we hold for those who daily do so much to protect all of us."



## A PINECONE FOR PRISON REFORM

Temple Israel in Boston, MA, adds a pinecone to their seder plate, writing, "We 'pass over' pinecones every day. Inside each of these pinecones is among the most precious of all nuts — the pine nut. Most of us pass more pine nuts in a single day than one could count in a year. Yet they remain hidden, unseen. Moreover, they're nearly impossible to extract with our own hands. The pinecone 'imprisons' its seeds, and only hard work on the part of nature compels it to open up." They add a pinecone to the seder plate as a reminder of mass incarceration and the work it will take to repair this injustice, teaching, "This Passover, we refuse to pass over our prisons because we know that inside is God's most precious fruit of all: the human soul."



## AN ACORN FOR INDIGENOUS LAND

Kehilla Community Synagogue in Piedmont, CA adds an acorn on the seder plate to weave indigenous land acknowledgment into its Passover discussions. The congregation's Haggadah insert about the acorn explains, "We commit to doing t'shuvah, honest looking and relational repair, for the immense suffering and harm that happened here, and that we continue to benefit from."



## ENGAGING SEDERS: GIVE EACH GUEST A SEDER RESPONSIBILITY

*By Rabbi Paul Kipnes*

Passover invites us to place ourselves within the story of the Exodus from Egypt. In the Haggadah we read: *Bechol dor vador chayav adam lirote et atzmo k'eelu hu yatzah mimitzrayim* — *in each and every generation every person must see themselves as if they went forth from Egypt*. The Seder calls us to journey personally to the promised land, from hopelessness to hopefulness, from pain to healing, from oppression to freedom.

As such, the Seder itself needs to involve every person, a feat easily accomplished with one quick email sent to your guests. Whether gathering in person or on zoom, imagine asking guests to prepare to share something specific during the Seder. Your email, sent even the day before the seder could delineate roles, gives your guests time to think about a meaningful presentation.

Rabbi Paul Kipnes and Michelle November shared this pre-Seder email some years ago. Feel free to substitute your guests' names for descriptions that fit. Use these suggestions and/or make up your own. In brackets after each assignment are times in the seder to make the presentation.

**Dear family and friends:**

**Lest our seder become boring, we are asking each of you to come prepared to participate actively in our Seder. We will be using a Haggadah but the really meaningful experience will come from what each of us bring from our own lives to the Seder.**

**So here are your seder participation assignments. Plan for a 2-4 minute presentation. Feel free to email or call with questions or have something different you would rather share. But please, take time to prepare. And know this: no prepared sharing, no food for you. Enjoy preparing:**

**Infant:** You are baby Moses in the basket on the Nile. Have your parent(s) create a costume for you, with a basket to “float” in. Your older sibling(s) — or your parent(s) — can help reenact the Nile moment.  
[Maggid - telling story of the Exodus]



**Medical Professional:** You work in healthcare. COVID-19 highlighted how access to adequate healthcare and the lack thereof is a plague for our generation. In what ways have you seen or experienced access to healthcare becoming more of a plague and what hope is there? [After Ten Plagues]

**Photographer:** The Haggadah speaks of four children, representing four ways of connecting to Judaism. Print four pictures — your own or those of others — that capture an interpretation of four ways of engaging Judaism. You may use pictures of people, animals, places. Explain how these teach about Jewish living. [Before Four Children]

**Musically Inclined Child/Adult:** You are a lover of music and especially musical theater. Choose one or two modern songs or Broadway show tunes that shed light on the journey to freedom in any of its forms — physical freedom, emotional freedom, spiritual or economic freedom. Be creative. Come with copies of the lyrics or a recording of the song. Be ready to play or sing these songs and to share how they harmonize with the teachings of Passover. [Before Dayeinu]

**Dramatically Inclined Child/Adult:** With the other children, please prepare a short dramatic play about the exodus story. We are attaching a brief review of the story. Use costumes from our costume box or clothes from mom and dad's closet. [Maggid - Telling the Story]

**Musician:** You can provide musical accompaniment during the Seder where possible and comfortable. Music and words for Dayeinu and other prayer and songs can be found on the internet. Any modern songs you can play that talk about freedom would also be appropriate for our Seder. [Throughout the Seder]

**Middle School Student:** What have you learned about perseverance, resilience and grit from a year doing school on zoom? What lessons in general help us live better lives today? You be the teacher and teach us. [Before Maggid - Telling the Story]





### **Person Who Visited**

**History Museums:** You recently visited history museums depicting \_\_\_\_\_ {fill in the blank}.

What did you learn there that sheds light on the important lessons past and future of the Seder/Passover story? (Perhaps guests can report about a visit to a Holocaust museum, museums recounting the civil rights movement, locations of Japanese internment,

important places in the LGBT rights movement or other similar locations.) [Before Ten Plagues]

**Older Teen or College Student:** We have seen issues of injustice rise again to the forefront of our country and world. What are you learning about the struggling for freedom? As you look at the nation and world, where are the modern Egypts, those dark, narrow places which oppress others? Who are the modern Pharaohs, the ones most responsible for such oppression? How can we be the Moses and Miriam to help lead ourselves and others to freedom or how can we help others nurture their own leaders? [Before Matzah]

**Parent of Young Child:** As a new parent, you have an opportunity to use the Seder to mold your child's spiritual life. What are one or two spiritual lessons you hope will enhance his spirituality in the coming years of Seders together? [After Urchatz - Symbolic Washing]

**New Parent:** As a new parent, this is your first Passover with your child. As we prepare to leave quarantines, what kind of world do you strive to create so she won't have to wander so much in life? [After Rachatzah - Symbolic Washing]

**Person who Visited Israel:** Tell us both: In what ways is Israel the Promised Land still today? AND in what ways is Israel still striving to be that light? During your visit, when did you feel like you were spiritually enlivened? Though our people reside in the Holy Land, in what ways are we still wandering in the wilderness? [Before Nirtzach - Next Year in Jerusalem]

**Older Adult:** Over the years you have celebrated many a Passover, each time focusing on the unique issues of the moment in life. Share with us one example of a Passover gone by which was particularly meaningful in the way it captured the lessons and values of the festival. [After Urchatz – Symbolic Washing]

**Older Adult:** Over your years you have seen pharaohs rise and fall, enslaving physically and/or spiritually peoples or individuals. Similarly, you have seen people make it to the promised land of freedom. Share with us one example of a journey to freedom — personal or national — that you witnessed in your lifetime. [Before Maror – Bitter Herbs]

**Businessperson:** The karpas or greens are dipped in salt water. The karpas — and the egg — represent the promise of spring and of new life and new hope. From your work in the world of business, what shifts and disruptions offer the promise of a new spring, dawning for the world? [Before Karpas]

**Lawyer:** As someone who deals with the laws of our nation/community, you know how laws can enslave and laws can free. Describe one way that the law has been used to oppress one subgroup in our country. Explain what is happening or can happen to change this law. [Before Ten Plagues]

**Grandparent:** You have a grandchild and are anticipating celebrating Jewish life with her. What are central Jewish ideas and values that you hope to pass onto her as she grows. How is a Passover Seder an opportunity to do so? [Before Yachatz – Breaking the Matzah]

**Video Gamer:** You are an accomplished video game player. Your challenge is to connect the games you play with the Passover Seder. Choose one of your favorite online games and explain the game, how it works, and two ways that this game illuminates lessons relevant to the story of Passover and the exodus. [Before Yachatz – Creating the Afikomin]

**Thank you all ahead of time for preparing. We will weave your presentation throughout the Seder. Your efforts will make our Seder that much more engaging. See you all at the Seder.**

# PASSOVER

## 1 Passover Things

*To "The Sound of Music."*

Cleaning and cooking and  
so many dishes.  
Out with the hametz, no  
pasta, no knishes  
Fish that's gefilted,  
horseradish that stings.  
These are a few of our  
Passover things.

Matzo and karpas and  
chopped up charoset  
Shankbones and kiddish  
and Yiddish neuroses  
Tante who kvetches and  
uncle who sings  
These are a few of our  
Passover things.

Motzi and maror and  
trouble with Pharaohs  
Famines and locusts and  
slaves with wheelbarrows  
Matzo balls floating and  
eggshell that clings  
These are a few of our  
Passover things.

When the plagues strike  
When the lice bite  
When we're feeling sad  
We simply remember our  
Passover things.  
And then we don't feel  
so bad.

## 2 Mighty Moses

Found in the bulrushes of the Nile.  
Brought up Egyptian for awhile.  
Always remembered he was a Jew  
And to his people was always true

Mighty, Mighty Moses Leader  
of the Jewish pioneers

Came before Pharaoh many  
years ago,  
Said to him Pharaoh, "Let my  
people go!  
For if you don't, your people  
will suffer,  
And day by day t'will get  
tougher and tougher."

Out of the wilderness from  
Egypt of old,  
Came mighty Moses, brave  
and bold  
With outstretched arm and  
a wave of his hand,  
He rolled back the sea and  
crossed on dry land

He led them on for forty years,  
And bound their wounds and  
dried their tears  
He got them manna from  
the Lord's own hand  
And pointed the way to the  
Promised Land  
Up Mt. Sinai Moses did climb,  
Left his people for Aaron  
to mind. He was not afraid  
though the thunder did roar.  
And brought back the  
commandments for evermore

### 3 Kadesh - Blessing over Wine / Grape Juice

*Baruch Ata Adonai Eloheinu  
Melech Haolam, Borei pree  
hagafen.*

With praise and thanks, we  
bless You, for our redemption  
and for saving our lives.

### 4 Rachatza - Blessing for Washing Hands

*Baruch Ata Adonai Eloheinu  
Melech Haolam, asher  
kiddishanu v'mitzvotav  
V'tzivanu al n'tilat yada'im.*

With praise and thanks,  
we bless You, who makes  
us holy through mitzvot  
And commands us to  
cleanse our hands.

### 5 Karpas - Blessing over Greens

*Baruch Ata Adonai Eloheinu  
Melech Haolam, Borei pree  
ha'adama.*

Source of Blessing, Sovereign  
God of eternity, Thank you  
for bringing forth greens  
from the earth.



### 6 Motzi Matzah - Blessing over Matzah

*Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu  
Melech haolam  
Hamotzi lechem min aaretz*

Source of Blessing, Sovereign  
God of eternity,  
Thank you for bringing forth  
bread from the earth.

*Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu  
Melech haolam  
Asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav,  
Vitzivanu ahl achilat matzah.*

Source of blessing,  
God of eternity  
Your majestic might fills  
the universe  
Thank you for teaching us  
pathways to holiness —  
Among them the mitzvah  
of eating matzah.

### 7 Maror - Blessing over Bitter Herbs

*Baruch Atah Adonai Eloheinu  
Melech haolam  
Asher kidshanu b'mitzvotav,  
Vitzivanu ahl achilat maror.*

Source of blessing,  
God of eternity  
Your majestic might fills  
the universe  
Thank you for teaching us  
pathways to holiness —  
Among them the mitzvah  
of eating maror.

## 8 Frogs

One morning, when Pharaoh  
awoke in his bed,  
There were frogs in his bed  
and frogs on his head.  
Frogs on his nose and frogs  
on his toes,  
Frogs here, frogs there,  
Frogs were jumping  
everywhere.

## 9 Ten Plagues

*Dam* - Blood  
*Tzfardei-ah* - Frogs  
*Kinim* - Lice  
*Arov* - Swarming Insects  
*Dever* - Animal Disease  
*Sh'chin* - Boils  
*Barad* - Hail  
*Arbeh* - Locusts  
*Choshech* - Darkness  
*Makat B'chorot* - Death of  
the firstborn

## 10 Dayenu

*Ilu ho-tsi, ho-tsi-a-nu,*  
*Ho-tsi-a-nu mi-Mitz-ra-yim,*  
*Ho-tsi-a-nu mi-Mitz-ra-yim,*  
*Da-ye-nu!*

*.. Dai, da-ye-nu (3x)*  
*.. Da-ye-nu, da-ye-nu, da-ye-nu!*

*Ilu na-tan, na-tan la-nu,*  
*Na-tan la-nu et-ha-To-rah,*  
*Na-tan la-nu et-ha-To-rah, Da-ye-nu!*

*Ilu na-tan, na-tan la-nu,*  
*Na-tan la-nu et ha-Sha-bat*  
*Na-tan la-nu et ha-Shabat, Da-ye-nu!*

## 11 4 Questions

*Mah nishtanah halailah hazeh*  
*mikol haleilot?*

How is this night different  
from all other nights?

*Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin*  
*chametz umatzah, halailah*  
*hazeh, kuloh matzah.*

On all other nights, we eat  
chametz (leavened foods)  
and matzah. Why on this night,  
only matzah?

*Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin*  
*sh'ar y'rakot, halailah hazeh,*  
*maror.*

On all other nights, we eat all  
vegetables. Why, on this night,  
maror (bitter herbs)?

*Sheb'chol haleilot ein anu*  
*matbilin afilu pa'am echat;*  
*halailah hazeh, sh'tei f'amim.*  
On all other nights, we don't  
dip even once. Why on this  
night do we dip twice?

*Sheb'chol haleilot anu ochlin*  
*bein yoshvin uvein m'subin;*  
*halailah hazeh, kulanu m'subin.*

On all other nights, we eat either  
sitting upright or reclining.  
Why on this night do we all  
recline?

## 12 Eliyahu Hanavi

*Eliyahu Hanavi, Eliyahu hatishbi.*  
*Eliyahu (3x) Hagiladi.*

*Bimherah b'yameinu*  
*yavo eleinu*  
*Im mashiach ben David (2x)*

## 13 Help me Rabbi

*By Brian Wilson, parody by Doug Cotler*

Pesach is tonight  
And I'm worried crazy  
out of my head  
I clean up late at night  
But in the morning  
I just find more bread

Well, Rabbi, you seem so smart  
And I know that I could get a start.  
If you would help me, Rabbi.  
Get the Chametz out of my house!

Help me Rabbi  
Help help me Rabbi (6x)  
Help me Rabbi  
Oy! Get it out of my house

With a feather in your hand  
You could scour every speck  
off my shelf.  
I got carpal tunnel syndrome,  
Or else I'd do it all by myself.

Well Rabbi you can set it on fire.  
And those burning crumbs will  
sure inspire.  
If you would help me, Rabbi  
Get the Chametz out of my house!

## 14 Go Down Moses

When Israel was in Egypt land.  
Let my people go!  
Oppressed so hard they  
could not stand.  
Let my people go!

Go down Moses.  
Way down in Egypt land.  
Tell old Pharaoh,  
Let my people go!

"Thus saith the Lord,"  
bold Moses said,  
"If not, I'll smite your  
firstborn dead  
No more shall they in  
bondage toil.  
Let them come out with  
Egypt's spoil.  
We need not always weep  
and mourn.  
And wear these slavery  
chains forlorn

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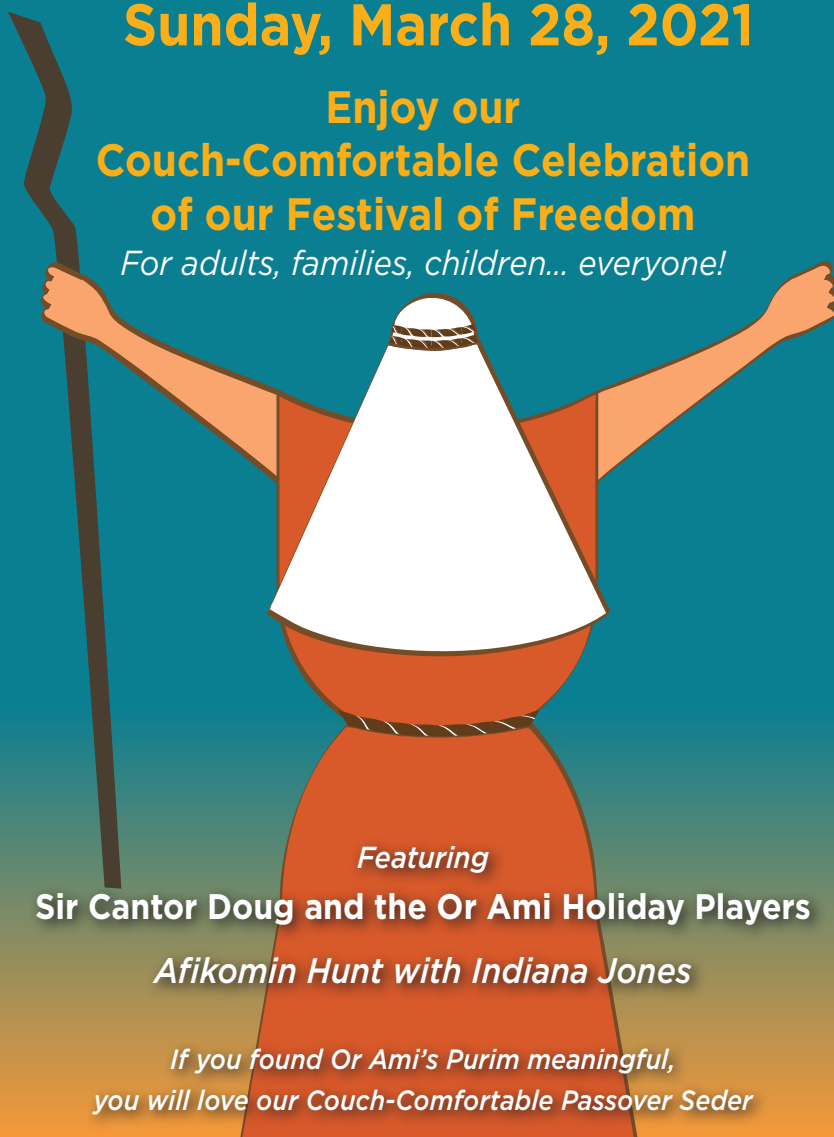
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