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Passover

IMPORTANT - Read, or reread, Kushner “To Life” pp. 124-129

**The festival of Passover is the most observed by Jews of all our holy days. It encompasses the themes of Creation (it celebrates the spring harvest), Redemption (the liberation of the Israelites from Egyptian bondage and looks forward to the ultimate redemption of all humanity) and Revelation (it leads directly to the giving of Torah at Sinai).**

1. References to the exodus are found throughout our prayers and mitzvot.

* Every morning the service includes Moses’ Song of the Sea.
* The first of the Ten Commandments links monotheism with the exodus.
* The Friday night Kiddush refers to the Shabbat as a rememberance of the exodus from Egypt.
* The reading of the Sh’ma, morning and evening, culminates with a mention of the Exodus.
* The rational from many laws requiring ethical sensitivity and compassion are linked to our experience in Egypt. (…for you were strangers in the land of Egypt and I took you out…)
* We are reminded of the Exodus in the laws of Tzitzit (talit), mezuzah, aspects of Kashrut and laws of the harvest.

2. Preparing for Pesach - On One Foot p. 104

* Removal of Hametz (Search, selling)
* Preparing kitchen
* Shopping (looking for supervision symbol – Heksher)
* [www.rabbinicalassembly.org/pesah-guide](https://www.rabbinicalassembly.org/sites/default/files/public/jewish-law/holidays/pesah/pesah_guide_5778.pdf%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)
* Setting the table – On One Foot, p. 106-107

3. The Haggadah and Order of the Seder - Highlights

 In the Goldberg Haggadah, see following:

 p. 4 Order of the Seder

 p. 5-7 Kiddush

 p. 8 ff Telling the story beginning with the Four Questions (Maggid, Ma nishtanah)

 p. 16 Ten plagues

 p. 19 Dayenu (Not so important but we have to talk about it)

 p. 21 ff Pesach, Matzah, Maror

p. 26 2nd cup of four

p. 27 Motzi, Matza, Korech

p. 43 Next Year in Jerusalem

p. 47 Chad Gad Ya (Also not important but must be discussed)

### Highly recommended Haggadah:

### A Different Night: The Family Participation Haggadah

by Noam Zion and David Dishon
COMPACT EDITION

To order, go on the internet to <http://www.haggadahsrus.com/ADN-compact.html>

Terminology (Prepare for this lesson by knowing these terms in advance. Use the glossary in “On One Foot,” pp. 262 ff))

Exodus

Moses

Afikomen

Elijah’s Cup

Chag Sameach

Haggadah

Hametz (Chametz, Chometz)

Matza

Seder

Pesach

Kosher l’Pesach

Seder plate