

Pesach

WOMAN: Tonight is a very special night, it is the night of the Passover Seder. We will do all of this in remembrance of what our Creator and His Son Y'shua have done for us throughout the centuries beginning especially with the Exodus from bondage in Egypt up to and including when Y'shua became our Passover Lamb that takes away our sins. We will even touch on how all of this also speaks prophetically of our future. This plate is called the Seder plate and contains elements that help us to remember and tell these stories of physical and spiritual deliverance from bondage. The shank bone of a lamb symbolizes the lamb slaughtered and eaten before the Israelites left Egypt on that first Passover in Egypt and the sacrifice Y'shua made of Himself as a Lamb to take away our sins 2000 years ago. The Matzah is bread made without leaven or chametz to remind us how our ancestors left Egypt in a hurry and remind us that Y'shua was without leaven or sin yet He took the world's sins upon Himself and died in our place. The horseradish or bitter herbs represent the bitterness of bondage or slavery. The Haroset is a mixture of apples, raisins, grape juice, honey and cinnamon. It represents the mortar the Israelites used to build the Egyptian cities and the sweetness of a better world in the coming Kingdom of YHWH when Y'shua rules as King from Jerusalem for 1000 years. The parsley or Karpas symbolizes the new life for YHWH's people. It is dipped in salt water representing the tears of slavery. Now my wonderful husband will lead this Passover and teach us about the awesome truths of our Father, His Son our Messiah and His Passover.

MAN: Exodus 12:19,20 tells us, 'For seven days no leaven is to be found in your houses, for if anyone eats what is leavened, that same being shall be cut off from the congregation of Yisra'el, whether sojourner or native of the land. 'Do not eat that which is leavened – in all your dwellings you are to eat unleavened bread.' "

YHWH's Word teaches us that the bad things we do are like chametz. We should search within ourselves to remove the chametz of sin just as we search the house to remove leaven before Passover. Sha'ul, the Apostle Paul, addressed the Believers in Corinth making this very analogy in 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 saying: "Do you not know that a little chametz leavens the entire lump? Therefore cleanse out the old chametz, so that you are a new lump, as you are unleavened. For also Messiah our Passover was offered for us. So then let us observe the festival (of Passover), not with old chametz, nor with the chametz of evil and wickedness, but with the matzah of purity and truth."

WOMAN: And also in 1Co 11:26-32 we are told "as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup (speaking of the Matza & Wine of Passover), you proclaim the death of the Master *Y'shua Messiah* until He comes. So that whoever should eat this bread or drink this cup of the Master *Y'shua Messiah* unworthily shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Master *Y'shua Messiah*. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For the one who is eating and drinking unworthily, eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the body of the Master *Y'shua Messiah*. Because of this many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep. For if we were to examine ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged, we are disciplined by the Master *Y'shua Messiah*, that we should not be condemned with the world.

MAN: So before we search for the last chametz hidden in this house lets each of us search our hearts silently and prayerfully for any hidden sin and confess it silently to our Father asking His forgiveness in the name of our Messiah Y'shua.

WOMAN: Father in the Name of Y'shua we ask that you show each of us the leaven or sin hidden in our hearts that we would turn from it and confess it to you asking for your forgiveness and that we would also pray for anyone that may have wronged us or that we may have wronged. *(Several minutes of silence.)*

MAN: Now let us all bless our Creator and Father together:

EVERYONE: Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the Universe, Who has sanctified us with Your Commandments, and instructed us concerning the removal of chametz or leaven. Amen

(Now everyone follows Dad as he searches for and burns the chametz in the fire)

MAN: We are told of the Passover in Exodus 12:14, "This will be a day for you to remember and celebrate as a festival to YHWH, from generation to generation, you are to celebrate it..." So tonight is a very special meal with special foods, practices and scripture readings that remind us of two very special true stories. The first one happened many years before Y'shua. Our Father instructed us to meet as we are now and have the older people tell the younger people how He delivered Moses and the Hebrew people from Egyptian bondage. The second one is a very special true story about Y'shua. The first story of how our Father delivered our Hebrew ancestors was a picture of how Y'shua would deliver us from our bondage to sin. If you listen carefully you will see how the two stories are so much alike. Now we will begin our Passover Seder as Mother lights the candles.

WOMAN: Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, You have sanctified us by Your Word and given us Y'shua our Messiah the Light of the World, and commanded us to be a light to those around us. As a woman begins the Seder by bringing light to the table let us remember that our Elohim used a woman to bring forth our Messiah, the Light of the World.

EVERYONE: Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who has kept us alive, sustained us, and brought us to this time. May our homes be consecrated, O Elohim, by the light of Your countenance shining upon us in blessing, and bringing us peace.

As believers in Y'shua we also pray blessed are you YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who has called us from all peoples, and written His commandments on our hearts through the New Covenant. You YHWH have lovingly given us seasons for rejoicing to remember your miracles from generation to generation. This Feast of Matzot is the Season of our Freedom, a set-apart gathering commemorating the departure from Egypt and our redemption from sin through Y'shua's death and resurrection. Blessed are you O YHWH who sanctifies His redeemed. Amen

MAN: There are four times we will drink from wine during this Seder, two times before dinner and two times after dinner. The four cups represent four expressions of redemption mentioned in the Bible in Exodus 6:6-7. YHWH tells Moses to tell the people of Israel, "Say, therefore, to the children of Yisra'el, 'I am יהוה, and I shall bring you out from under the burdens of the Mitsrites, and shall deliver you from their enslaving, and shall redeem you with an outstretched arm, and with great judgments, and shall take you as My people, and I shall be your Elohim. And you shall know that I am יהוה your Elohim who is bringing you out from under the burdens of the Mitsrites.'" -bring, deliver, redeem, and take.

WOMAN: The first of these four cups is the Cup of Sanctification, the second is the Cup of Judgment, the third is the Cup of Redemption, and the fourth is the Cup of the Kingdom.

During this Passover we will remember the Words of Y'shua at His last Passover meal with His disciples: **Luk 22:17-20** taking the cup and giving thanks, Y'shua said, "Take this and divide it among yourselves, for I say to you, I shall certainly not drink of the fruit of the vine until the Kingdom of Elohim comes." And taking bread, giving thanks, Y'shua broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is My body which is given for you, do this in remembrance of Me." Likewise the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the renewed covenant in My blood which is shed for you." Let us remember and honor our Messiah who came and willingly laid down His Life for each of us as we eat the Matza representing His Body broken for us and drink the Wine representing His Blood shed for us during this Passover meal.

EVERYONE: Blessed are You YHWH, our Elohim, King of the universe, Who has chosen us out of all the people of the world and made us set-apart through Your Word our Y'shua. With love You have given us commandments to follow, festivals for rejoicing, holidays for gladness, and this Feast of Passover, an anniversary to remember our freedom, and this season of deliverance to remember the departure from Egypt AND most importantly of all to remember Your Salvation, Your Son, Your Word Made Flesh, Y'shua our Messiah who died for our Sins so that we could be reconciled to You being reborn into your Family! You have chosen us. You have given us this Set-Apart Festival with loving kindness and blessed us with your favor. This Cup is a symbol of joy. As we drink this cup we are reminded of the joy which is ours as a result of our salvation our Y'shua!

MAN: (do not drink yet) Let us lift the First Cup, the Cup of Sanctification, together and bless YHWH!

EVERYONE: Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe Who creates the fruit of the vine. Amen. (Everyone drinks the First Cup)

MAN: We now come to the part of the Seder in which we each other's feet. "Rachtzah" means washing. This is a symbolic act of purification in imitation of the priests who had to wash before approaching the alter of YHWH. This is also a reminder that Y'shua humbled Himself the night before Passover by washing the feet of the disciples. When He finished washing their feet He then said, "if I, Master and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I gave you an example, that you should do as I have done to you. Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master, nor is an emissary greater than he who sent him. If you know these teachings, blessed are you if you do them." (Everyone washes feet)

EVERYONE: YHWH we pray that our hearts also will be clean before You and not just our feet.

MAN: Let each of us take a sprig of parsley or Karpas and dip it in the salt water (do not eat it yet). Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who creates the fruit of the earth. Amen.

EVERYONE: As we eat this vegetable, we recall all good gifts come from our Father in Heaven. We remember that our ancestors were farmers. With the salt water we also recall the tears shed from suffering under bitter slavery, and give thanks that Elohim heard the cries of the Hebrew slaves and even more importantly we remember with tears how our Messiah willingly bled and died for each one of us. As we partake of this parsley dipped in salt water, we remember that even the sweetness of life may be immersed in tears, and we thank

Elohim that through much suffering, He has made a People, a Nation, and made us His Resurrection through our Messiah Y'shua.

MAN: Let us eat the parsley together.

MAN: (taking the matzah tosh containing the three matzot) In the ceremony of breaking, or "yachatz," I break the middle matzah in two and remove one half, which I will hide. This portion is the "Afikomen." (Replace the other half of matzah in the "tosh" and put it down.) Matzah is unleavened bread, see how flat it is. In the Bible leavening is a picture of sin so unleavened bread is a symbol of having no sin.

WOMAN: This unleavened bread is a picture of Y'shua who had no sin. He is the bread of life. Y'shua said in John 6:48-51, "I am that bread of life. Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die. I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world."

MAN: (Demonstrating with the napkin and the broken half of matzah) We wrap this half and "bury" it symbolically. Now if the children will cover their eyes, I will hide it somewhere in the room to be found and "ransomed" later in our Seder. (Leader will hide the matzah)

WOMAN: Now regarding the three matzot that were wrapped together there are various explanations for this tradition. The Rabbis call the three a unity, representing the patriarchs –Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Believers in Y'shua see a profound picture of YHWH the Father, the Son and the Set-Apart Spirit. The middle matzah, representing the Son, Y'shua, whose body was afflicted and bruised-was pierced and striped, and like the matzah, was without chametz (sin). Y'shua's body was wrapped for burial as we wrapped our "Afikomen" tonight and hid it from sight, He also was hidden from our sight, for three days and three nights, to be revealed later. We will elaborate further on this interesting mystery when our afikomen is ransomed toward the end of our Seder!

EVERYONE: We thank you, Father, for Your goodness to us. May we show like goodness to others. May our brothers and sisters wherever they are, remember the liberty our Messiah procured for them, knowing that no physical bondage can destroy freedom in Him. May His ancestral People in Israel and scattered throughout the world speedily come to know His fullness and truth.

MOTHER (*refill all cups but do not drink*)

MAN: Exodus 12:26 says, "...when your children ask you, 'what does this ceremony mean to you? Then tell them..." The very essence of the biblical observances is to pass from generation to generation the miracles and faithfulness of our Elohim. Therefore, it is both a duty and a privilege to answer these four questions posed by our son, as we recount the wonderful works of our mighty Elohim.

SON: On all other nights we eat bread or matzah. *On this night why do we only eat matzah?* On all other nights we eat all kinds of vegetables. *On this night why do we eat bitter herbs?* On all other nights we do not dip our vegetables even once. *On this night why do we dip twice?* On all other nights we eat our meals sitting. *On this*

night why do we only recline? On all other nights we eat with our shoes and belts off. On this night why do we eat with our pants girded and our shoes on?

WOMAN: Tonight is different because we remember that our people were slaves in Egypt under Pharaoh, and our Elohim brought us out with strength and the might of His Hand! If our Father had not brought us out, we would still be slaves in Egypt. We would not be a People. And in the fullness of time, came the Lamb of Elohim, a son of Jacob, and in Him, we have our redemption. It is a story of our Father's love and justice and care – for those who are poor and whose hope is in Him.

The matzah reminds us of the haste in which our ancestors left Egypt, for the dough had not the time to rise, but baked hard and flat in the desert sun and now we remember the matza as the sinless body of Y'shua our Messiah that was beaten and broken for our sins. The bitter herbs remind us of the bitterness of the bondage of slavery. We remember also that Messiah, our Passover, set us free from the bondage of sin.

MAN: We dip twice –first as a symbol of replacing our tears with joy, and second to season the taste of bitterness, knowing that Y'shua is our sweetness in the bitter times of life. Reclining is a symbol of the free man who can eat in leisure. So these pillows remind us of our freedom, for in trusting Elohim completely we are secure and set free.

WOMAN: We eat with our shoes on and belts girded as the children of Israel were commanded to in Exodus 12:11, "And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and ye shall eat it in haste: it is the LORD'S Passover." This is a reminder to us to be ready for the soon returning of our Master and Savior, Y'shua, to regather us, the seed of Israel, from all the lands where we have been scattered. Jeremiah 23:7 says, "Therefore, see, the days are coming," declares יהוה, "when they shall say no more, 'As יהוה lives who brought up the children of Yisra'el out of the land of Mitsrayim,' but, 'As יהוה lives who brought up and led the seed of the house of Yisra'el out of the land of the north and from all the lands where I had driven them.' And they shall dwell on their own soil."

MAN: The Passover Story and the Exodus from Egypt are very prophetic pictures of things to come. Joseph, who was sold into slavery to the Egyptians by His brothers, was a picture of Y'shua who was also sold by His brothers to gentiles to be put to death. To avoid a terrible famine, Elohim led our first ancestors, Joseph's family, to the land of Egypt to find food where they eventually became slaves. Likewise to avoid our complete destruction when our later ancestors sinned against Elohim constantly with pagan idols they were instead scattered to be slaves among the nations until our Messiah will again redeem and gather us back to Him.

WOMAN: Then just as Joseph, when he was raised to power, was not recognized at first by His brothers, Y'shua was not recognized by most of His brothers when He was raised from the dead. Then as Joseph's true identity was finally revealed to his brothers once they repented so also will Y'shua's true identity be revealed to His brothers when they repent.

MAN: The life of Joseph is a picture of Y'shua's first coming, in that he began as a Hebrew was sold to the gentiles and took on a gentile identity. Y'shua came the first time as a Jew but was sold by His brothers to the gentiles and was made by them to look like and take on gentile characteristics. Likewise the life of Moses who led Elohim's children out of bondage took up where Joseph left off and began his life looking like a gentile but when he was sent back to Egypt to free Elohim's children he went back as the Hebrew he really was. So likewise

when Y'shua returns to gather and lead His people out of bondage back to the Promised Land, He will be coming back revealed to His people as He really was and is, a Hebrew who follows Torah.

WOMAN: The redemption of Israel from Egypt had to begin by them obeying in faith by putting the blood of a lamb on the doorposts of their homes. So also our redemption begins by spiritually putting the Blood of Y'shua on our hearts by faith. Then the children of Israel obediently crossed through the Red Sea just as we obediently follow Y'shua in baptism through water as well. On the other side of the Red Sea after 'baptism' on their way to the Promised Land the next test the Children of Israel faced was obedience to the Sabbath. Likewise once we are redeemed by the Blood and baptized in water we also should be obedient to the Sabbath. YHWH promised blessings and healing to the Children of Israel for obedience and those blessings and healing are also promises to us for obedience as well! We are also on a journey to the promised land of His Kingdom!

MAN: As we know from the Exodus account the Egyptians did not want to let YHWH's people go. Pharaoh instead said, "Who is this Elohim that I should obey him and let Israel go?" Moses told Pharaoh if he didn't let the people go, great plagues would come upon Egypt in judgment. Pharaoh did not listen and YHWH did send ten horrible plagues.

We diminish some of our cup now as we recite each of the plagues together. As we recount each plague, let us dip a little finger into our cup and allow a drop of wine to fall on our napkin, reducing the fullness of our cup of joy this night as we remember the terrible cost the Egyptians had to pay for their disobedience.

EVERYONE: BLOOD (drop), FROGS (drop), LICE (drop), BEASTS (drop), BLIGHT ON LIVESTOCK (drop), BOILS (drop), HAIL (drop), LOCUSTS (drop), DARKNESS (drop), DEATH OF FIRSTBORN (drop)

MAN: Let us recite Psalm 113 and praise YHWH!

EVERYONE: Praise Yah! Praise, O servants of יהוה, Praise the Name of יהוה! Blessed be the Name of יהוה, now and forever! From the rising of the sun to its going down, The Name of יהוה is praised. יהוה is high above all nations, His esteem above the heavens. Who is like יהוה our Elohim, Who is enthroned on high? He looks down on the heavens and in the earth; He raises the poor out of the dust, Lifts the needy from a dunghill, To make him sit with the nobles, With the nobles of His people, Causing the barren woman to dwell in a house, A rejoicing mother of children. Praise Yah! HalleluYah!

MAN: Let us lift our second cup, the Cup of Judgment, together. (Do not drink yet) In Luke 22:42-44 when Y'shua went to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, He prayed, "Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me; nevertheless, not my will, but yours be done." And there appeared an angel unto Him from heaven, strengthening Him, And being in agony He prayed more earnestly: and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

WOMAN: Remember again Y'shua's Words in Matthew 26:28, "Drink ye all of it, For this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins." Y'shua accepted this Cup of Judgment in our place that is why with this cup we will remember His Blood that was shed for us. We drink this Cup tonight in remembrance of the punishment we deserve but that He took on our behalf. Let us bless YHWH and our Messiah Y'shua!

EVERYONE: Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who creates the fruit of the vine and blessed be your Son, Your Word made Flesh, Y'shua Messiah. Amen. (All drink Second Cup together)

EVERYONE: And in the fullness of time He brought forth our Messiah, the true bread that came down from Heaven, the manna of our lives, and the fulfillment of the Law- The Way, the Truth and the Life. He tenderly cares for us, protects us, and leads us, for we are aliens and strangers, a priestly People of Elohim. How great and numerous are the kindnesses which our Father has shown us. For each act of goodness we are grateful.

WOMAN: In preparation for the meal we recite the blessing:

EVERYONE: Blessed are you, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, You have sanctified us by Your Word. Please cleanse us that we may have clean hearts before you. We ask that you bless our meal and this night for Your Glory and the Glory of Y'shua your Messiah. Amen.

MAN: (distribute the upper matzah and remaining middle matzah to all) Blessed are you YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who brings forth bread from the earth and has sanctified us and commanded us to eat unleavened bread and we eat this Matza in remembrance of Y'shua Messiah. Amen.

WOMAN: On Passover, we are commanded to eat bitter herbs. As sweet as our life of freedom in Y'shua Messiah is today, let us remember the bitterness of past generations for the Children of Israel in the land of Egypt. As we put a small amount of horseradish on a piece of matzah, let us allow the bitter taste to bring tears to our eyes and allow compassion to come into our hearts for those who suffered, and for the suffering which our Savior suffered on our behalf.

EVERYONE: (take a bite of the matzah with the horseradish on it) Blessed are you, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe Who has sanctified us and has commanded us to eat bitter herbs. Amen.

MAN: On all other nights, we don't even dip once in bitter herbs, but on this night we dip twice. Over the centuries the charoset – the sweet apple mixture- has been added to our Seder to symbolize the mortar with which the Israelites toiled to build Pharaoh's treasure cities. Let us put some horseradish on a piece of matzah, but this time, let us dip a second time into the sweet charoset, and remember that even bitter circumstances are sweetened by the hope we have in our Messiah. Let us all eat it together. (everyone dips in charoset and eats) Thank you Father for this night and this food we are about to eat, please bless this food to our bodies and this night to our souls for nourishment of both. In Y'shua's name we pray. Amen

BREAK FOR THE MAIN MEAL

AFTER THE MEAL IS eaten, the children now search for the Afikomen and the leader will "redeem" it by giving the child a gift or coin in exchange. The matzah is then broken into as many small pieces as necessary, and distributed to each guest.

WOMAN: The Afikomen was the substitute for the Passover Lamb, which in days of old, was the final food of the Seder feast. Surprisingly, the word "Afikomen" is the only Greek word in the Passover Seder. Everything else is Hebrew. It is a form of the Greek verb ikneomai, which means literally 'I CAME'. As we partake of the Afikomen, we realize that it was at this point of Y'shua's celebration of the Seder with His disciples that He instituted the 'Lord's Supper' as a perpetual memorial of His fulfilling of Passover. He is the Living Bread that

came down from Heaven, given for us. With His blood He purchased our freedom from sin and death. We are grateful and will ever remember Y'shua's voluntary sacrifice in our celebration with humble thanksgiving.

The Third Cup – (The cups are filled the third time.)

MAN: The Third Cup, the Cup of Redemption, has traditionally been a cup of celebration for the freedom and deliverance that comes from our Creator. We know that it was the cup Y'shua lifted when He said, "This is the cup of the New Covenant poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." in Matthew 26:28. This is the cup Y'shua's disciples drank but he would not until He drank "it new with us in His Father's Kingdom" because it represented redemption. Y'shua was willing to drink the Second Cup, the Cup of Judgment or Wrath, but excluded Himself of the redemption by not drinking the Third Cup. The next day Y'shua, who knew no sin, became sin for us and died in that sin to redeem us! Mindful of this let us give thanks and glory to YHWH and our Messiah Y'shua.

EVERYONE: YHWH our Elohim, we wish to give You thanks for all of Your good gifts and the freedom You have purchased for us. Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who has given us the Cup of Redemption. Amen. We drink this cup in remembrance and thankfulness for what Y'shua did for us. (*Everyone drinks from the third cup together*)

MAN: The Passover meal concludes with singing. Matthew 26:30 says, "And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the Mount of Olives. A traditional song would have been Psalms 118:21-24

EVERYONE: I thank You, For You have answered me, And have become my deliverance. The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief corner-stone. This was from יהוה, It is marvellous in our eyes. This is the day יהוה has made, Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

WOMAN: *Play Dayenu song everyone sing along*

EVERYONE: It is enough. Yes, it would have been more than enough had He simply rescued us from slavery. Yes, it would have been enough, but He did far more than this. He brought us through the sea to stand upon dry land. Yes, it would have been enough, it would have been more than enough, but then He met our every need in the desert – for forty years He did provide – He provided food, manna from heaven, He gave us water, and made our clothes to last throughout the length of years—Dayenu!

Yes, it would have been enough, but more than this did He provide! He gave us Shabbat for our rest and gave us His Torah. He gave His Law that we might know the fullness of His will and promises and how to live as a People set apart for Him alone. All these things He did provide for Israel –Dayenu!

Yes, it would have been enough, but even more than this did He provide! In the fullness of time, in accordance with the promise He made through the Torah, the Nevi'im and the Ketuvim, He sent His Messiah for His People Israel, but not only that, but to fulfill the promise to Avraham – to bless all the families of the earth! Dayenu!

WOMAN: The empty place at the table you see has been considered the place of Elijah. It was prophesied that Elijah would return to prepare the way of the Messiah. It is therefore customary to open the door to see if Elijah has come to announce the second coming of Messiah. Some have said that our Messiah occupied this place during His Seder and there was no empty seat so that we should think of this as the place or symbol for our

Messiah's presence. Although John the Baptist came in the spirit of Elijah and was the forerunner as Y'shua taught, some still see evidence that Elijah will literally come again before Messiah's Return. Therefore, perhaps we can also open the door to invite Elijah and to say even more importantly,

EVERYONE: "Even so, come King Y'shua"! Baruch H'Bah B'Shem YHWH! Blessed is He that comes in the Name of YHWH!

SON: (opens the door to see if Elijah has come to announce Y'shua's return or if Y'shua Himself has come to join us)

EVERYONE: Eliyahu the Prophet, Eliyahu the Tishbi, Eliyahu, Eliyahu, Eliyahu from Galadi, Come soon, in our time, With Messiah Son of David, With Messiah Son of David

MAN: Now let us partake of the Last Cup, the Cup of Acceptance & Praise. The cup of the Kingdom as we look forward to His soon coming Kingdom on earth as it is in Heaven. (*The last cup is poured*)

EVERYONE: (holds up their cup but don't drink yet) Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, Who creates the fruit of the vine. Amen. Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe, for the wine, the fruit of the vine, and for all the abundance of the field. We thank You for Your goodness and steadfast love. We praise you for the earth and all its fullness in the Name of our Messiah Y'shua. Amen. (Everyone drinks the fourth cup together)

EVERYONE: Open to me the gates of righteousness, I will enter therein and praise YHWH!

MAN: Our Seder is now complete. We have made the ancient story of deliverance our own. May we be together, to again celebrate this feast "next year in Jerusalem"!

EVERYONE: May Zion be blessed with peace, may His ancient People come to know Him as Master and Messiah, and may all mankind some day live in harmony and contentment under His Rule. Amen.

WOMAN: At each Passover since the Children of Israel were in exile in strange lands, it has been traditional to say, "This year here, but next year, YHWH willing, we will celebrate it in Jerusalem."

MAN: For a long time that was just a dream. Now since YHWH has restored the land of Israel, it is possible. Jerusalem is being rebuilt and the desert has begun to bloom. The Second Coming of Messiah Y'shua is drawing near. When He comes, there will be a New Jerusalem as He establishes His Kingdom here on earth.

EVERYONE: NEXT YEAR IN JERUSALEM! May our eyes behold Your return to Jerusalem in Set Apartness, Blessed are You, YHWH our Elohim, Who rebuilds Jerusalem in His mercy. Amen.