

“PASSOVER”

A YEARLY MEAL GOD ORDAINED TO
COMMEMORATE DELIVERANCE FROM
SLAVERY IN EGYPT
AND TO POINT TOWARD ULTIMATE
DELIVERANCE IN CHRIST



PASSOVER

A Messianic Feeder

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Redemption STORY



God instituted the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread in Exodus 12-13 to commemorate the rescue from Egypt. God knew the mystery hidden within that predicted the Passover Lamb and True Bread of Life, Jesus Christ. This meal is an opportunity to look backward and forward in the story of God's Salvation.

God commanded all Israel under the Old Mosaic Covenant to celebrate these two intertwined feasts. God didn't want anyone to forget His strong arm of salvation as he brought them out of Egypt by plagues and parting of the Red Sea. As believers in Jesus Christ, the awaited Messiah, in the New Covenant, we have no such obligation to celebrate the feasts. They can enrich our understanding and experience of God's Word, the whole of God's Redemption story, and the mystery of Christ the Passover Lamb that was always present in these feasts. The Feasts and this ordered meal tie the whole of God's Redemption Story together.

Why do we call this a Passover "Seder?" Seder means 'Order.' In the early days following the Exodus from Egypt in the 15th Century BC, the order was simple, the sacrificed lambs and unleavened bread. The Seder/Order of the meal developed during this time, so that by the time Christ ate the Passover with his disciples (and transformed it into the Lord's Supper), there was a developed sequence including four cups, bitter herbs with the lamb, and possibly much more. What we include in this Seder was likely in place before the first couple hundred years after Christ. There were many more elements added through the years. So, feel free to add, but the story is certainly complete in this Seder.

Reasons to **FEAST**



The Feast IS NOT Commanded in our worship as Christians, but we are free to participate, remember, and worship in this way.

My first experiences with Passover as a Christian came through fellowship with Jewish churches who believed in Jesus as the true long-awaited Messiah. These ethnic Jews relished the fact that Jesus was always hiding in plain sight in the Old Testament and its feasts, but God had to open their eyes to see Him! I was invited to celebrate Passover with them and they used a similar order as the one I have reproduced here. I was stricken with how beautifully it re-told not only the Exodus but how the Exodus and Passover predicted and clarified the salvation in Jesus, his cross, and his resurrection. It deepened my understanding and awe at the beauty of God's story tied together beautifully between the Old and New Testament, and even revealed in the unintentional story telling of the unbelieving Jews of the early years after Jesus. God is sovereign and majestic!

Especially after we had children, the Passover became one of our family's favorite way to engage our children in the story of God's redemption throughout the Bible. The interactive elements, the reliving of God's story through the meal, all of the experience has enriched our family worship. It's also helped us worship with other Christians and to reach out to share the Gospel Redemption Story with unbelieving friends.

I pray your worship is enriched as you experience the wonders of this 3500 year old feast! ~~ Pastor Kevin

How to Lead **SEDER**



“Seder” is a word meaning, “Order.” So, the following Passover Seder is a Passover order of worship. While various orders have been offered over the years and in different traditions, this Seder is meant to highlight the mystery of Christ that was foreshadowed in the Exodus story and Passover feast. It can be difficult to lead, so we recommend leaders carefully read the Seder and plan the lead ahead of time. The Seder also has formatting that we hope helps.

PREPARATION

These are the five major section titles including Preparation and the four cups that provide ‘chapter markers’ for the meal.

Maror (Mah-rohr)

These are the subheadings that introduce a new element or section within the meal.

Leader Take the three Matzot (plural of Matzah) wrapped together in the napkin, partially unwrap it to reveal the Matzah, and draw attention to it.

The Dark Azure (green) colored print lets you know these are actions to be taken or active instructions to be given to the participants

Now all that remains is to praise the LORD for what he has done for His people!

Light Green Highlighted text is to be SPOKEN by the Leader. It doesn’t have to be said or read exactly. Leaders can memorize content and simply speak in their own words, if preferred.

QUESTIONER: Why is this night different from all other nights?

Yellow highlighted text represents a question. Questions should be printed and passed out, preferably to children, to ask at the appropriate time.

Scripture 2 – Red Highlighted text either refers to printed scriptures to be read by volunteers, or to a quoted scripture in the Seder itself.

PASSOVER

A Messianic Seder

PREPARATION

(See later pages for Labels, Scripture cards, Recipes and Table Set-up)

Gather at table and the Head of Household opens with a prayer.

Pre-Cleanse the House of Leaven

>>Send guests around to find randomly scattered yeasted bread and throw it out a door of the house. This is especially fun to send kids to do!

Introductory Question

QUESTIONER: Why is this night different from all other nights?

LEADER: We were slaves to Pharaoh in Egypt, and the Lord our God, Blessed be His Name, brought us out from there with a strong hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore, we tell the story of the Exodus from Egypt. Now that Jesus the Messiah has come, we also remember how the Exodus story was telling the Story of the Messiah's perfect deliverance all along.

A Woman Lights the Candles

LEADER: "Let's Remember that our Redeemer, the Light of the World, Jesus Christ, came into the world born of Mary, a woman."

Four Cups of Wine

LEADER: "The Lord said to Moses, 'Now you will see what I will do!'"

Take one drink for each of the promises God fulfilled to the Jews as they came out of Egypt to the Promised Land; and TO US as He brings us out of slavery to sin to the Promised ONE, Jesus Christ!"

"I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians... and from under the yoke of this evil age."

(all take a drink)

"I will free you from being slaves... both to the Egyptians and to sin!"

(all take a drink)

"I will redeem you with an outstretched arm!"

(all take a drink)

"I will take you as my own people and you will be my God!"

(all take a drink)

FIRST CUP: קידוש SANCTIFICATION (TO SET APART FOR HOLY PURPOSE)

Leader asks for the first cup to be distributed and poured into each person's cup. // While the cup is poured say:

LEADER: The First Cup of Four, being poured out now, is the Cup of Sanctification. Sanctification means, 'to set apart for a holy purpose.' During this cup, we remember that God chose to set apart a people for himself. We remember that we were once slaves to Egypt. The slave's life is filled with bitterness and tears, but God chose to set a people apart to redeem them from slavery in Egypt. We must remember the bitterness of life as slaves to the Egypt. We must also remember the bitterness of life in sin enslaved to worldliness apart from God. But, the Holy One chose to send Messiah to set us apart to be God's people, saved from the bitterness of life enslaved to sin and saved to be a people set apart and consecrated to God Most High.

Ask For First Two Scriptures to Be Read

Have Volunteers Read [Scripture 1](#) and [Scripture 2](#)

Instruct all to take A FIRST drink of the Cup of Sanctification. Don't Drink it all!

Hand Washing

Demonstrate hand washing then pass the water basin around. Each person should cup a hand of water and rinse from below the elbow down through the fingers in a single swipe, on the top of the arm and then on the underside of the arm.

While participants pass and wash, have volunteers read 'Handwashing Scriptures': [Scripture 3,4, and 5.](#)

"Karpas" (meaning: 'raw vegetable' - parsely, celery, onion, raw potato)

Leader tells participants to take a piece of Karpas - describing what that means, as above, but don't eat yet. Also, instruct everyone to dip the karpas in the bowl of salt water and wait to eat.

LEADER: Dip the Karpas (representing life) into salt water (representing the tears of slavery) to remind us that life is sometimes immersed in tears, but this is why God sent Moses to save from Egypt and why God came to us in Christ to save us from sin and sorrow alienated from God.

READ: ([Exodus 2:23 ESV](#)) "...the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God."

Pray a blessing over the eating of the karpas and instruct all to eat together.

Matzah (Mot-zah)

Leader Take the three Matzot (plural of Matzah) wrapped together in the napkin, partially unwrap it to reveal the Matzah, and draw attention to it.

First Question: Matzah

QUESTIONER: On all other nights we eat chametz (leavened bread) and matzah; why on this night do we eat only matzah?

LEADER: We eat only matzah because our ancestors left Egypt in such haste that there was no time for their dough to rise.

Unleavened Matzah Represents HASTE and the leaven also represents SIN. We must hurry to God and flee with haste from sin: (1 Corinthians 5:7 ESV) “Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.”

”The Three have traditionally been called a “unity” by the Jews representing Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, but after the Messiah we can see a more ultimate unity of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – the Trinity, three persons in one Godhead.

Look: Matzah is striped and pierced like the Messiah

Have volunteers read: Scripture 6 and 7

We’re about to break the Matzah, but wait to eat it with the bitter herbs.

BROKEN: Leaders, break the MIDDLE matzah IN HALF, continue BREAKING ONLY ONE HALF to distribute around the table. (Use another piece of Matzah to serve everyone, if needed).

As Jesus ate this Passover meal on the evening of his arrest and crucifixion, he revealed that this meal was always meant to represent him. He ended the requirement of the passover feast and transformed it into the ordinance of the Lord’s Communion supper, which he commanded only committed believers to take when we come together as his gathered church.

(1 Corinthians 11:24 ESV) “...and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Afikomen (Off-Ee-Koh-Men)

Take the Remaining HALF of the Matzah and wrap it alone in the napkin.

The second half of the Matzah was traditionally wrapped in cloth and hidden. This was a hidden mystery speaking of the wrapping of the crucified body of Jesus our Messiah and his burial in Joseph of Arimathea’s tomb

Now, if the children will hide their eyes, I will hide this piece as Jesus' body was hidden and buried in a tomb. This piece is called the "afikomen". At the end of our meal the children will try and find the afikomen, and we will have it for desert... Just as Jesus was resurrected from the dead, and now He gives us hope which makes our lives sweet!

Maror (Mah-rohr)

Now it's time for Maror. Maror means 'Bitter'

Second Question:

QUESTIONER: On all other nights we eat all kinds of vegetables; why on this night do we eat only bitter herbs (maror)?

We eat bitter herbs to remind us of the bitterness and harshness of the slavery our ancestors endured in Egypt AND how bitter all our lives are when we're left in our sins, and separated from God.

Lift the horseradish to show it to everyone.

Pass this among you and scoop some of the maror onto your Matzah. You only need a little. As you eat these bitter herbs on your matzah, remember to let the bitter taste bring **tears** to your eyes for the sorrow over God's people in slavery in Egypt and all our struggles with sin's bitterness.

Kharoset (car-uh-set)

Look at the Apple Mixture piled in the shape of a pyramid. Remember the mortar and bricks without straw the Israelites had to form to make the pyramids in Egypt.

Dip your matzah with maror in the kharoset and eat it while remembering, "Even the most bitter, "Maror," circumstances and struggles with sin are sweetened by the hope we have in God and the amazing things he builds even through sufferings!"

Third Question:

QUESTIONER: On all other nights we do not dip our food even once; why on this night do we dip twice?

We dip twice—once in salt water (to remember the tears of slavery) and once in charoset (to remember the mortar used for bricks)—to recall the bitterness of slavery and the hope mixed with it.

Finish the First Cup

Now, if there is anything left in your first cup of Sanctification, and being set apart for God's purposes, let's drink to remember the suffering and hope of the children of Israel, who were being called out and awaiting deliverance.

Lift glasses and toast to the sanctifying and setting apart of God's people.

SECOND CUP: DELIVERANCE STORY

Have someone pour the second cup, distributing it into each person's cup. This cup should be relatively full for each person (use more supplemental grape juice, if needed). Begin to tell the story as the cups are poured.

LEADER: The Second Cup of Four, being poured out now, is the Cup of the story of God's Deliverance. Do not drink the cup yet! First, we will tell the story of how God delivered his Sanctified, set-apart people from slavery in Egypt... at great cost!

HEAR THE STORY OF SLAVERY AND THE RISE OF MOSES UP TO THE PLAGUES:

Remember, Israel had been in Egypt for 400 years. At first they were treated well, but eventually the Pharaohs forgot what Joseph did for Egypt to rescue them from famine. So, the Israelites were then placed in more and more bitter SLAVERY. They were used as workforces to build the pyramids. BUT, they were GROWING IN NUMBER and this worried Pharaoh. So, Pharaoh ordered that all **"Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile."** This horrifying execution of children and harsh slavery caused their cry to God for deliverance to grow ever louder. God had a plan. **MOSES WAS BORN.** He was hidden so he would not be killed with the rest of the Hebrew boys. Then, he was placed in a **BASKET OF BULRUSHES**, and set afloat in the river Nile in hopes he would be saved and live. In God's divine plan, Moses was indeed rescued and adopted by none other than **PHARAOH'S DAUGHTER!** Moses would grow older and would care for his own people. He even **KILLED** a slaver who was beating a Hebrew slave. Because of this Moses fled for his life. As he was sojourning away from the land of Pharaoh, God revealed Himself to Moses in a **BURNING BUSH.** God called Moses to go to Pharaoh as God's representative. Moses was to tell Pharaoh to **LET GOD'S PEOPLE GO!** Moses did just this, performing miraculous signs God gave them to do, but Pharaoh's heart was hard. He would not let the Hebrew people of Israel go! Pharaoh even punished the people for asking by making their slave labor much harder! So, soon God would begin to send **TEN PLAGUES** on Egypt....

Joy of Deliverance Reduced by Plagues

Raise the 2nd cup and draw attention to it.

The full cup shows fullness of joy, and we are filled with great joy that God did indeed deliver us. BUT let us remember the price at which our redemption was purchased. Lives were lost and there was much suffering on the path to Deliverance from Egypt, but a still much greater price was paid as Jesus our Messiah suffered on the cross to bring us out of slavery to sin. **NOW:** Place your cup on the table before you. As we recite each plague three times, let's dip our little finger into the cup allowing a drop to fall on our plate, reducing the fullness of our joy this night.

Everyone repeats each plague together three times, while dipping little fingers in the cup to remove a drop and flick it onto the plate, thus reducing the fullness of the cup. Leader announces each plague (e.g. - “Blood!”), then everyone repeats that plague three times while dipping.

1. Blood
2. Frogs
3. Gnats
4. Flies
5. Livestock death
6. Boils
7. Hail
8. Locusts
9. Darkness
10. Death of the firstborn

Don't drink the Reduced Cup of Deliverance yet!

Passover Lamb

Draw attention to the meat in the middle of the table. (If it's not lamb, explain that it should be but we're using a substitute this time.)

Fourth Question:

QUESTIONER: On all other nights we eat meat that is roasted, stewed, or cooked; why on this night do we eat only roasted lamb?

We eat only roasted meat because that is how the Passover (Pesach) lamb is prepared and eaten as part of the Passover Temple sacrifice.

PASSOVER STORY: As the daylight ended on the night when the last plague was coming on Egypt, the Israelites were to kill a lamb as a sacrifice for each household. They were to take the blood of the lamb and smear it above and on the sides of the outside door. God would visit the plague of the firstborn son on all Egypt in this final plague. Every firstborn son would be killed throughout the land of Egypt, unless the lamb's blood was on the doorway. This was how God distinguished His people from those of Egypt, who were not marked with the blood. This lamb not only saved the firstborn children, but the lambs were mysterious pictures that were always pointing to the Messiah and Lamb of God who would come, Jesus Christ. Jesus is the ultimate Lamb of God who was crucified and sacrificed for us. If we give our lives to Christ in faith, then we are marked with his blood, and we will not die spiritually in Hell's plagues now or after death, but we will live with God forever!

Lift glasses and toast to the sanctifying and setting apart of God's people.

Remember:

1. Unleavened bread shows haste to leave lives of sin and slavery
2. Bitter herbs reminds us of the bitterness of slavery to Egypt and to sin
3. Now let's read about the lamb that was sacrificed to spare the Israelites from death AND the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, who was sacrificed so that we can be spared from death if we trust in His sacrifice

Have volunteers read: [Scripture 8-13](#)

DAYENU (Die-Ay-Noo)

Joyfully lift up the Cup of Deliverance now Reduced and draw attention to it

Now we will have our Dayenu Toasts! Dayenu means, 'It would have been enough!' Before we eat the Blessed Passover Lamb, I'll read 8 Dayenu statements. After I read each statements, let's all say loudly and triumphantly together in response, "Dayenu! It would have been enough!" and then take a drink from our cup.

1. If the Lord had merely rescued us, but had not judged the Egyptians - (Dayenu!...)
2. If he had only destroyed their gods but had not parted the red sea!
3. If he had only drowned our enemies but had not fed us with manna!
4. If he had only led us through the desert but had not given us the Sabbath to rest!
5. If he had only given us the Torah, but not the land of Israel!
6. If he had only forgiven our sins but not clothed us in His righteousness!
7. If he had only spared us from wrath but not given us pleasures forevermore!
8. If he had merely tolerated us and not loved us with an everlasting love!

Passover Supper

Now is the time to eat the Meat with all the other side items of the meal. this is the actual mealtime. Eat up!

Afikomen (Off-Ee-Koh-Men) - Dessert

Let everyone know it's dessert Afikomen time! Send all the kids to hunt for the hidden Afikomen and bring it to the table for a 'ransom' (a prize - for the American taste dissatisfied with dessert Matzah, it's recommended to trade the Matzah Afikomen for a bag of candy and ask the child to give some to everyone as God gave himself for us.)

Let the taste of the desert matzah linger in our mouths as we remember how God rescued the Egyptians and how Christ rescued all who would have faith to follow Jesus! (Luke 22:19 ESV) "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."

Instruct everyone to drink the last of the Cup of the Deliverance story.

THIRD CUP: REDEMPTION

Have someone pour the third cup, distributing it into each persons cup.

To 'Redeem' means to purchase. God paid the price and redeemed His people out of slavery in Egypt. (Exodus 6:6 ESV) "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.'"

BUT we need much more than merely delivery from physical oppression. Our greater problem by far is our slavery to sin, our rebellion against the Goodness of God, and our insistence on our own way, not trusting God to lead us. We are slaves to the darkness within ourselves! How can we be saved? Jesus the Christ, the Messiah, was an even greater act of Redemption.

The lord found that no one is righteous and so He worked salvation for Himself in Christ

Have volunteers read: [Scripture 14-16](#)

Bless the Cup, giving thanks for God's mighty acts of Redemption... and all Drink the cup in its entirety.

The Prophet Elijah

After announcing that it's time for the Prophet Elijah. Point out the empty seat left for Elijah the Prophet. Then, have a child open the door to let Elijah the prophet in to take his seat:

Have volunteers read: [Scripture 17-19](#)

FOURTH CUP: PRAISE!

Have someone pour the fourth cup, distributing it into each persons cup.

Now all that remains is to praise the LORD for what he has done for His people!

Optional: Sing hymns and worship songs. Traditionally, the "Hallel" Psalms are sung, Psalm 113-118.

Read [Psalm 136:1-16,26](#) with all reciting "His love endures forever!"

Bless the cup, then say:

"Next year in the New Jerusalem, the Eternal Zion of God with His people!
Come quickly Lord Jesus!"

All drink, and dismiss

FIRST CUP OF SANCTIFICATION

1

Exodus 6:6

“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.’”

FIRST CUP OF SANCTIFICATION

2

Luke 22:17-18

“Take this and divide it among you. For I tell you I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until the Kingdom comes.”

HAND WASHING

3

Psalms 24:3-4

“Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.”

HAND WASHING

4

John 13:5, 12-14

“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. When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, “Do you understand what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.”

HAND WASHING

5

Ephesians 5:25–26

“...Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,”

MATZAH

6

Isaiah 53:5

“But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.”

MATZAH

7

Zechariah 12:10

“...when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.”

PASSOVER LAMB

10

Acts 8:32

“Now the passage of the Scripture that he was reading was this: ‘Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter and like a lamb before its shearer is silent, so he opens not his mouth.’”

8

PASSOVER LAMB

Exodus 12:3, 5–8, 11, 13

“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. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, 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. “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. They shall eat the flesh that night, roasted on the fire; with unleavened bread and bitter herbs they shall eat it. In this manner you shall eat it: 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. 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.”

9

PASSOVER LAMB

John 1:36

“and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!””

11

PASSOVER LAMB

1 Corinthians 5:7

Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.”

PASSOVER LAMB

12

Revelation 7:17

“For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.”

PASSOVER LAMB

13

John 6:53

“So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.”

THIRD CUP OF REDEMPTION

14

Isaiah 59:1

“Behold, the Lord’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear;”

THIRD CUP OF REDEMPTION

15

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.”

THIRD CUP OF REDEMPTION

16

Titus 3:5

“He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,”

THE PROPHET ELIJAH

17

Malachi 4:5

“Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes.”

THE PROPHET ELIJAH

18

Luke 1:17

“and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared.”

THE PROPHET ELIJAH

19

John 1:29

“The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

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1ST CUP

Sanctification

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2ND CUP

Deliverance

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3RD CUP

Redemption

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4TH CUP

Praise!

INTRO QUESTION

Why is this night different from all other nights?

QUESTION 1

On all other nights we eat chametz (leavened bread) and matzah; why on this night do we eat only matzah?

QUESTION 2

On all other nights we eat all kinds of vegetables; why on this night do we eat only bitter herbs (maror)?

QUESTION 3

On all other nights we do not dip our food even once; why on this night do we dip twice?

QUESTION 4

On all other nights we eat meat that is roasted, stewed, or cooked; why on this night do we eat only roasted lamb?

Needed Items for Seder Passover Meal

Item	More Authentic	Easier	How Much
FOOD:			
Grape Juice			16 oz. PER PERSON
Meat, cooked	Lamb	Beef, ground * See recipe on pg. 4, but can cook however desired	1/3 lb. or 6 oz. PER PERSON (or how much you think each person would eat)
Rice, cooked	Brown	Whatever you've got!	½ cup, cooked PER PERSON
Kharosett (Apple Salad) * See recipe on pg. 32	Recipe as directed	Recipe as directed * There is really no substitute for the symbolism of the original recipe, but potato salad in a pinch	½ cup, prepared PER PERSON
Matzot (Passover crackers)	Matzah crackers (can be found on Amazon or at the Passover display at some groceries stores this time of year [i.e.,Jewel])	Any unleavened, pierced cracker that is big enough to be broken (like Saltines, though real Matzot is better for symbolism)	*Matazah - 3 sheets MINIMUM per table * Other crackers - one for breaking, and then enough to eat alongside meal TOTAL
Parsley, fresh			1 sprig PER PERSON
Horseradish	Fresh horseradish root, grated	Horseradish sauce (found in condiment aisle of store)	1 teaspoon - 1 tablespoon PER PERSON
Sliced bread (Sandwich bread is fine)			1-2 pieces TOTAL

Green onions (could also use celery or raw potatoes)			1 stalk PER PERSON
Afikomen "Ransom" (Sweet Treat)	More matzot	Bag of candy, or anything sweet that can be hidden and shared	Enough for all who want some
Salt, table			¼ c. or more TOTAL
<i>Olives *optional, just for flavor</i>	<i>Kalamata or any Mediterranean variety</i>	<i>Whatever you like!</i>	<i>Whatever you or your family prefers</i>
TABLE SET UP, PER TABLE:			
Extra Chair for Elijah			1 extra chair in the room to remain empty
Candles	4 tapers and holders	Tealights, tapers, whatever you have - enough to mostly light the table in the dark	Tealights, tapers, whatever you have - enough to mostly light the table in the dark
Lighter			1 For the candles
Large wine glasses	Wine glasses or goblets	Whatever you have, though clear is best	4 TOTAL
Bowl to wash hands in			1 - make sure it's large enough
Hand towel			1 - to dry hands after washing
Bowl to hold salt			1 - cereal-sized is

water			fine
Small bowl to hold horseradish			Tiny (best not to let horseradish touch other food elements)
Platters or Serving Plates	2 Large Platters	Any amount of serving plates for the food	2+ - How ever many you need to serve food elements
White cloth to wrap matzoh	White cloth napkin	Whatever works - towel, paper towel, etc.	1
Serving Spoons			3 large for meat, rice, and Kharosett, small one for horseradish
Tongs or Fork			1 for herbs
Dinner Plates	Fancy	Whatever works!	1 PER PERSON
Cups to Drink Grape Juice	Clear or glass	Whatever works!	1 PER PERSON
Forks			1 PER PERSON
Napkins	Cloth (beware the grape juice)	Whatever works! This meal can be messy	1 PER PERSON
<i>Dessert or Salad Plates *optional*</i>			<i>1 PER PERSON - to separate out elements of food</i>
<i>Tablecloth *optional*</i>			<i>1</i>
<i>Pitcher for grape juice *optional*</i>			<i>Can pour straight from bottle, if want</i>

Recipes for Seder Passover Meal

Beef Recipe (Feeds 6)

- 1 1/2 cups finely chopped onion
- 5 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 Tbsp. ground cumin seed
- 2 lbs. ground beef
- 1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1/4-1/2 tsp. cayenne

Cook onions in a skillet until soft...add beef and spices. Brown beef mixture, stirring often, and cook until done.

Kharosett Recipe (Feeds 6-8)

This simple side dish salad recipe is traditional for Passover, and is meant to represent the mortar used by Jewish slaves in Egypt.

- 3 apples, peeled, cored, and chopped into large chunks
- 1 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1 cup chopped walnuts
- 12 jumbo Medjool dates, pitted OR 1-1.5 c. golden raisins (soaking raisins will help texture)
- 1/4 tsp. ground ginger
- 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 3 Tbsp. Concord grape juice

1. In a medium bowl, toss apples with lemon juice until coated.
2. Put the walnuts in a large skillet over medium heat and cook, stirring often, until fragrant and lightly browned, about 5 minutes.
3. Combine dates or raisins, juice, and cinnamon in a food processor and process until smooth enough to spread with a knife,
4. Add remaining ingredients and toss gently. Cover and chill for at least 6 hours before serving.

The chunks of apple and walnut are meant to represent bricks and the date mixture is meant to represent mortar that the Israelite slaves used to build Egyptian buildings, including pyramids. So pile and form the mixture on the plate in the form of a pyramid, as much as possible. Leave it in this shape until the appropriate time to eat this "Kharosett" during the Passover meal.

Seder Passover Meal Set Up Instructions

SEE DIAGRAM ON PAGE 35!!

- Prepare Kharosett and chill.
- Prepare rice, keep warm.
- Prepare beef mixture, keep warm.
- Cut out cup labels and scriptures from your packet.
- Put as many chairs around the table(s) as there are participants.
- Put 1 extra chair at the head of the table for Elijah.
- Put tablecloth on table(s), if using.
- Put candles down the length of each table.
- At each chair (except for Elijah), place a plate, cup, fork, and napkin.
- Place the lighter and the Afikomen “Ransom” at the head of the table.
- Wrap three pieces of Matzot in a napkin or towel; place near the center of the table.
- Fill the salt water bowl with water and salt – make sure it tastes *really* salty! Place it on the table.
- Fill a large bowl halfway with water; place on the table with a hand towel.
- Rinse and dry parsley and put on the 1st platter.
- Rinse and dry green onions and put on the 1st platter.
- Put Kharosett on the 1st Platter (make sure it’s not touching the other ingredients!). It should be piled and formed in the shape of a pyramid, as much as possible.

- Put the 1st Platter on the table with 1 serving spoon and 1 tong or fork.
- Put a small amount of horseradish in a small bowl with a spoon and set on the table.
- Put 3 or more slices of bread throughout the room, including at least one on the table, (no plate needed, not for eating).
- Fill dinner glasses $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ full with grape juice.
- Fill 4 wine glasses or $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{3}{4}$ full with grape juice and put directly in the center of the table in a line.
- Place 4 cup labels in front of each glass, in order.
- Set 4+ pieces of Matzot in a small, fanned stack, taking up $\frac{1}{3}$ of the space on the 2nd platter.
- Add beef mixture to another $\frac{1}{3}$ of each of the 2nd Platter.
- Add rice to the remaining $\frac{1}{3}$ of the 2nd Platter.
- Put the 2nd Platter on the table with a serving spoon or two.
- Have lots of extra napkins on hand - you will need them!

Affkohmen
"Ransom" sweets

Stack of Bread

Platter of Matzah,
Meat, & Rice

Elijah's
Chair

Hand washing bowl
Each person has a plate, fork,
napikin, and glass

HEAD OF TABLE

