VIRTUAL HAGGADAH CONCLUSION

OHEF SHOLOM TEMPLE 2020





Tzafun - The Afikoman

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The seder plate is returned to the table.

Tzafun means "hidden." Afikoman means "dessert." Since tradition tells us that neither the meal nor the seder can be concluded without finding and eating the hidden dessert, whoever finds it may demand a reward.

Children search for the afikomen. When found, all eat the afikoman. The third cup of wine is filled.

Bareich Blessing After the Meal

It is a *mitzvah* to say a blessing after meals. As it is written, "When you have eaten and are satisfied, you shall bless Adonai, your God, for the good land which God has given you."

Together:

Praised are You, Adonai our God, Ruler of the Universe, who in goodness, mercy, and kindness gives food to the world.

Blessed is our God, whose food we have eaten and by whose goodness we live. Praised are You, Adonai our God, who provides food for all life. Blessed be Your Name forever in the mouth of every living thing. Praised be the Creator of Life.

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Blessed are You, Adonai our God, Sovereign of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

All drink the third cup of wine.

Eliyahu - Welcoming Elijah

There is an extra cup of wine at the table. This is the cup for Elijah. There is a tale that Elijah, a great ancient prophet who challenged rulers to live more justly, visits every seder to wish everyone a year of peace and freedom. As we open the door for Elijah, we recognize that Passover is a night for openness. In this unusual year when we must keep our doors closed even to those we love to preserve our health and safety, we open the door for Elijah as a symbol that our hearts are still wide open to all those we are missing tonight.

ELIYAHU

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Eliyahu hanavi, Eliyahu hatishbi, Eliyahu, Eliyahu, Eliyahu hagiladi, bimheirah b'yameinu yavo eileinu, im Mashiach ben David, im mashiach ben David

> Elijah the prophet, Elijah the Tishbite, Elijah the Giladite, May he soon come to us, with the Messiah, son of David.

> > The door is closed.

Hallel - Praising God

The fourth cup is filled.

It is our duty to thank and praise, laud and glorify, extoll and honor, exalt and adore God who performed all these miracles for our fathers and mothers and for us.

May it be Your will to bring all families who are suffering persecution into freedom as You brought our ancestors to freedom.

May we be worthy to enjoy the Passover holiday together with all the families of Israel in freedom and unity.

Amen.

Nirtzah - Conclusion

As our *seder* draws to a close, we raise our cups of wine. The final cup recalls us to our covenant with the Eternal One, reminds us that tasks still await us as a people, and validates a great purpose for which the people of Israel live: the preservation and affirmation of hope.

As it is written: "And I will take you to be my people."

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L'shana haba'ah bi'Y'rushalayim!

Next year in Jerusalem!



