THE BEREKHU

BAREKHU ET ADONIA HA'ME'VO-RAKH

BLESS THE LORD, WHO IS TO BE BLESSED

CONGREGATION / OLIM

BARUCH ADONAI HA'ME'VO-RAKH LA OLAM VA'ED

BLESSED IS ADONAI, WHO IS BLESSED FOREVER AND EVER



Bo

Hebrew for "Come"

Shemot / Exodus 10:1 – 13:16

Reading Exodus 13:1 - 16

Blessing The Reading Of The Torah

Barukh ata Adonai Eloheynu, melekh ha-olam, Blessed are you, YHWH our Elohim, King of the universe

Asher bechar banu mik-kol ha-am-mim venatan la-nu et Torato,

Who chose us from all the people and gave us His Torah

Baruch ata Adonai, no-tein Ha-Torah Blessed are you, YHWH, giver of the Torah

Blessing over the reader of Torah

May He who blessed our fathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob bless XXXXXXXXX because he has come up for the honor of God, for the honor of the Torah and for the honor of the Shabbat. In this merit may the Holy One, Blessed be He, protect and deliver XXXXX from all trouble and distress, from all affliction and illness, and may He send blessing and success to all his endeavors, together with all Israel and all his brethren; and the congregation says, In Yeshua's Name Amen.

Exodus 13:1 - 3

1 Yah spoke to Moshe saying,

2 "Consecrate to Me all the firstborn, from every womb of Bnei-Yisrael, both men and animals—this is Mine."

3 Moses said to the people, "Remember this day, on which you came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage. For by a strong hand Yah brought you out from this place. No hametz may be eaten.

Exodus 13:4 - 6

4 This day, in the month of Aviv, you are going out.

5 When Yah brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, which He swore to your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey, you are to observe this service during this month.

6 For seven days you are to eat matzah, and the seventh day is to be a feast to Yah.

Exodus 13:7 - 9

7 Matzot is to be eaten throughout the seven days, and no hametz is to be seen among you, nor within any of your borders.

8 "You are to tell your son on that day saying, 'It is because of what Yah did for me when I came out of Egypt.

9 So it will be like a sign on your hand and a reminder between your eyes, so that the Torah of Yah may be in your mouth. For with a strong hand Yah has brought you out of Egypt.

Exodus 13:10 - 12

10 You are to keep this ordinance as a moed from year to year.

11 "Now when Yah brings you into the land of the Canaanite, as He swore to you and your fathers and gives it you,

12 you are to set apart to Yah every firstborn from the womb, and every firstborn male animal you have will be Yah's.

Exodus 13:13 - 16

3 Every firstborn donkey you are to redeem with a lamb, and if you do not redeem it, then you are to break its neck. But you are to redeem every firstborn male among your sons.

14 "So when your son asks you in times to come, 'What is this?' say to him, 'By a strong hand Yah brought us out from Egypt, the house of bondage,

15 and when Pharaoh refused to let us go, Yah slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both men and animals. So I sacrifice to Yah all firstborn males, but I redeem the firstborn of my sons.'

16 So it will be like a sign on your hand and like frontlets between your eyes, for by a strong hand Yah brought us out of Egypt."



The Previous Plagues Parsha Va'eira

Blood

Frogs

Gnats

Flies

Livestock

Boils

Hail

Locusts – Moshe stretched out his hand over Egypt Exodus 10

4 Or else, if you refuse to let My people go, behold, tomorrow I will bring locusts into your borders.

5 Then they will cover the face of the earth, so that no one will be able to see the ground. They will eat the remainder of what escaped—whatever is left from the hail—and eat every tree that grows for you out in the field.

6 Your houses will be filled, as will the houses of all your servants and the houses of all the Egyptians, as neither your fathers nor your grandfathers have seen since the day they were on the earth until today!" Then he turned and went out from Pharaoh.

Locusts Exodus 10

- Pharaoh refused and his servants pleaded with him
- Moshe and Aaron brought back to pharaoh and questioned
- Pharaoh relents and asks who will go
- Moshe says everyone will go with flocks
- Pharaoh refuses again and sends Moshe and Aaron away
- The locusts are summoned
- Pharaoh repents and Moshe prays that locust will be gone
- Yah hardens pharaohs heart and he refuses to let them go

Darkness – Moshe stretched out his hand over Egypt Exodus 10

21 Then Yah said to Moshe, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, and there will be darkness over the land of Egypt—a darkness that may be felt."

22 So Moshe stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was a thick darkness in all the land of Egypt for three days.

23 They could not see one another, nor could anyone rise from his place for three days. Yet all Bnei-Yisrael had light within their dwellings.

24 Pharaoh called Moses and said, "Go, serve YHWH. Only let your flocks and your herds remain. Your little ones may also go with you."

Darkness – Moshe stretched out his hand over Egypt Exodus 10

25 But Moshe said, "You must also put sacrifices and burnt offerings into our hand, then we will do it for Yah our Elohim.

26 Our cattle must also go with us—not a hoof may be left behind. We must take from them to serve Yah our Elohim. We ourselves will not know how we will serve Yah until we arrive there."

Darkness Exodus 10

- Moshe stretches out his hand and darkness falls upon Egypt
- Israel had light in their dwellings
- Heavy darkness for three days until Moshe and Aaron are summoned
- Yah hardens pharaohs heart again
- Pharaoh refused again and told Moshe that they must never see his face again
- Moshe agrees and leaves

Death of the firstborn – Yah will move into midst of Egypt Exodus 11

- 1 Now Yah had said to Moshe, "I will bring one more plague upon Pharaoh and on Egypt. After that, he will let you go from here. When he lets you go, he will surely thrust you out altogether from here.
- 2 Speak now into the ears of the people, and let every man ask from his neighbor and every woman from her neighbor for articles of silver and gold."
- 3 Yah gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians. Indeed, the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the eyes of Pharaoh's servants and in the eyes of the people.

Death of the firstborn – Yah will move into midst of Egypt Exodus 11

4 So Moses said, "This is what YHWH says: At around midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt,

5 and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt will die—from the firstborn of Pharaoh sitting on his throne to the firstborn of the maidservant behind the mill, along with all the firstborn cattle.

6 There will be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, the likes of which has never been before nor will ever be again.

Death of the firstborn – Yah will move into midst of Egypt Exodus 11

7 But not so much as a dog will growl against any of Bnei-Yisrael, neither man nor beast—so that you may know that YHWH makes a distinction between the Egyptians and Israel.

8 All these servants of yours will come down to me and bow down to me, saying, 'Get out, you and all the people who follow you!' After that, I will go." Then he went out from Pharaoh hot with anger.

Death of the firstborn – Yah will move into midst of Egypt Exodus 11

9 YHWH had said to Moses, "Pharaoh will not listen to you, so that My wonders may be multiplied in the land of Egypt."

10 So Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh, yet YHWH hardened Pharaoh's heart, so he did not let Bnei-Yisrael go out of his land.

Passover Preparation Regulations

Exodus 12 – Regulations of Preparation

1 Now YHWH spoke to Moshe and Aaron in the land of Egypt saying,

2 "This month will mark the beginning of months for you; it is to be the first month of the year for you.

3 Tell all the congregation of Israel that on the <u>tenth day</u> of this month, each man is to take a lamb for his family one lamb for the household.

Months, Names and Times

- Nisan, along with the other names of the months, was adapted to the Hebrew calendar while in Babylonian captivity
- The name of the1st month Nisan is an Akkadian language borrowing, although it ultimately originates in Sumerian nisag "first fruits"
- YHWH calls it the beginning of months
- Not to be confused with the erroneous designation of Rosh Hashanah as head of the year.
- Leviticus 23 Yom Teruah
- 24 In the seventh month, on the first day of the month, you shall have a sabbath-rest, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation.
- 25 You shall do no customary work on it; and you shall offer an offering made by fire to YHWH.

Preparation Regulations

Exodus 12

4 But if the household is too small for a lamb, then he and his nearest neighbor are to take one according to the number of the people. According to each person eating, you are to make your count for the lamb.

5 Your lamb is to be without blemish, a year old male. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats.

6 You must watch over it until the **fourteenth day** of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel is to slaughter it at twilight.

Preparation Regulations

Exodus 12

7 They are to take the of <u>blood and put it on the two</u> <u>doorposts and on the crossbeam</u> of the houses where they will eat it.

8 They are to eat the meat that night, roasted over a fire. With matzot and bitter herbs they are to eat it.

9 Do not eat any of it raw or boiled with water, but only roasted with fire—its head with its legs and its innards.

Preparation Regulations

Exodus 12

10 So let nothing of it remain until the morning. Whatever remains until the morning you are to burn with fire.

11 Also you are to eat it this way: with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet and your staff in your hand. You are to eat it in haste. It is YHWH's Passover.

12 "For I will go through the land of Egypt on that night and strike down every firstborn, both men and animals, and I will execute judgments against all the gods of Egypt. I am YHWH.

Blood as a Sign and Day as a Memorial Forever Exodus 12 – The Promise of the Passover

13 The <u>blood will be a sign</u> for you on the houses where you are. <u>When I see the blood, I will pass over you</u>. So there will be no plague among you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

14 "This day is to be a memorial for you. You are to keep it as a feast to YHWH. Throughout your generations you are to keep it as an eternal ordinance.

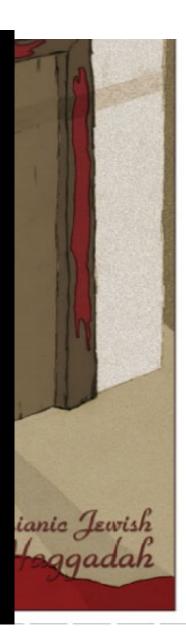
And They Did As YHWH Instructed

Exodus 12 – The Time Of Preparation is at hand

28 Then Bnei-Yisrael went and did it. They did just as YHWH had commanded Moshe and Aaron.

29 So it came about at midnight that YHWH struck down all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh sitting on his throne to the firstborn of the captive who was in the dungeon, and all the firstborn cattle.

And They Did As YHWH Instructed



Preparation Time Pays Off

Exodus 12 – Death and the Exodus

30 Then Pharaoh rose up in the night, he and all his servants and all the Egyptians, and there was loud wailing in Egypt. For there was not a house where someone was not dead.

31 So he called for Moshe and Aaron at night and said, "Rise up, go out from my people, both you and Bnei-Yisrael, go, serve YHWH as you have said.

32 Take your flocks and your herds, as you said, and be gone! But bless me, too."

Urged To Leave and Rewarded On The Way Out

Exodus 12 – The Exodus is at hand

33 Now the Egyptians urged the people, sending them out of the land quickly, for they thought, "We will all be dead!"

34 So the people took their dough before it was leavened, with their kneading bowls bound up in their clothes on their shoulders.

35 So Bnei-Yisrael acted according to the word of Moshe. They asked the Egyptians for articles of silver and gold, and for clothing.

36 YHWH gave the people favor in the eyes of the Egyptians and let them have what they asked for. So they plundered the Egyptians.

Re-Educating Yah's People

- 430 years in Egypt amongst the chatter and worship of false gods
- Their own views on YHWH could have been distorted and even forgotten
- Religious patterns could have evolved causing a loss of true worship of YHWH
- Hope could have faded causing them to forget YHWH because of their hardships and bondage
- Many could have begin to deny YHWH because they were not seeing an end to captivity and servitude
- The people would need to be spiritually and physically refreshed
- The people would need to be taught how to serve YHWH (Ex10:26)

Learning How To Serve Yah

Exodus 10

25 But Moses said, "You must also put sacrifices and burnt offerings into our hand, then we will do it for YHWH our Elohim

26 Our cattle must also go with us—not a hoof may be left behind. We must take from them to serve YHWH our Elohim. We ourselves will not know how we will serve YHWH until we arrive there."

How Do We Learn Of YHWH

- Begins with putting our trust and hope in YHWH
- We must hear what our instructions are from YHWH
- We must follow those instructions, TORAH, closely so that we show obedience and honor to YHWH
- We push all knowledge of teachings and false gods out of our hearts and minds
- We must love learning and following YHWH's Torah
- We must use the Torah as a filter for everything that goes into our minds and hearts
- We must learn to be set apart and righteous unto YHWH
- We must watch with anticipation for the promises of YHWH

Exodus 12

40 Now the time that Bnei-Yisrael lived in Egypt was 430 years.

41 So it happened at the end of 430 years, to the very day, that all the armies of YHWH went out from the land of Egypt.

42 It was a night of watching for YHWH to bring them out of the land of Egypt. This same night is a night of vigil for YHWH, for all Bnei-Yisrael throughout their generations.

Exodus 12

43 Then Adonai said to Moses and Aaron, "This is the ordinance of the Passover. No foreigner may eat it,

44 but every man's servant that is bought for money, after you have circumcised him, may eat it.

45 Nor should a visitor or hired servant eat it.

Exodus 12

46 It is to be eaten inside a single house. You are not to carry the meat out of the house, nor are you to break any of its bones.

47 All the congregation of Israel must keep it.

48 But if an outsider dwells with you, who would keep the Passover for YHWH, all his males must be circumcised. Then let him draw near and keep it. He will be like one who is native to the land. But no uncircumcised person may eat from it.

Exodus 12

49 The same Torah applies to the native as well as the outsider who dwells among you."

50 So all Bnei-Yisrael did so. They did just as YHWH commanded Moses and Aaron.

51 It was on that very day that YHWH brought Bnei-Yisrael out of the land of Egypt as armies.

Deuteronomy 31 Parsha Vayalech

9 Moses wrote down this Torah and gave it to the kohanim, the sons of Levi who carry the Ark of the Covenant of YHWH, and to all the elders of Israel.

10 Then Moses commanded them saying, "At the end of every seven years, in the set time of the year of cancelling debts, during the feast of Sukkot,

11 when all Israel comes to appear before YHWH your Elohim in the place He chooses, you are to read this Torah before them in their hearing.

Deuteronomy 31 Parsha Vayalech

12 Gather the people—the men and women and little ones, and the outsider within your town gates—so they may hear and so they may learn, and they will fear YHWH your Elohim and take care to do all the words of this Torah.

13 So their children, who have not known, will hear and learn to fear YHWH your Elohim—all the days you live on the land you are about to cross over the Jordan to possess."

Exodus 13

6 For seven days you are to eat matzah, and the seventh day is to be a feast to YHWH.

7 Matzot is to be eaten throughout the seven days, and no hametz is to be seen among you, nor within any of your borders.

8 "You are to tell your son on that day saying, 'It is because of what YHWH did for me when I came out of Egypt.

Exodus 13

9 So it will be like a sign on your hand and a reminder between your eyes, so that the Torah of YHWH may be in your mouth. For with a strong hand YHWH has brought you out of Egypt.

10 You are to keep this ordinance as a *moed from year to year*.

11 "Now when YHWH brings you into the land of the Canaanite, as He swore to you and your fathers and gives it you,

A Sign For All To Remember

Exodus 13

14 "So when your son asks you in times to come, 'What is this?' say to him, 'By a strong hand YHWH brought us out from Egypt, the house of bondage,

15 and when Pharaoh refused to let us go, YHWH slew all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both men and animals. So I sacrifice to YHWH all firstborn males, but I redeem the firstborn of my sons.'

16 So it will be like a sign on your hand and like frontlets between your eyes, for by a strong hand YHWH brought us out of Egypt."



Waiting On YHWH

• The earliest known tefillin were found together with other Dead Sea Scrolls in the Judean desert, in the mid-twentieth century. They were dated by archaeologists as far back as the 1st or 2nd centuries BCE. Although their texts are more varied than rabbinic tefillin

• The earliest translation of the Torah, the Greek Septuagint, understands the "totafot between your eyes" as meaning "immovable before your eyes" (in Greek asaleuton pro ophthalmon sou)

Waiting On YHWH

Micah 7

7 But I—I will watch for YHWH.

I will wait for the Elohim of my salvation.

My Elohim will hear me.

8 Do not rejoice over me, O my enemy.

Though I have fallen—I will arise.

Though I sit in darkness, YHWH is my light.

Pesach Seder @ FCM 2025

Pesach Saturday April 12th - Saturday, April 19th Sign Up will Begin Immediately

Pesach Seder Saturday April 12th 6pm

- No Shabbat Service
- Gather at FCM @ 5:00pm
- Be seated by 5:45pm for a prompt 6pm Seder
- Sundown at 7:35pm



Parashah Beshalach Aliyah or Reading

שַלַּח – When He Sent

Exodus 13:17 – 17:16

• 1st Day Exodus 13:17 – 14:8

Haftarah

• 2nd Day Exodus 14:9 – 14

Judges 4:4 – 5:31

• 3rd Day Exodus 14:15 – 25

• 4th Day Exodus 14:26 – 15:26

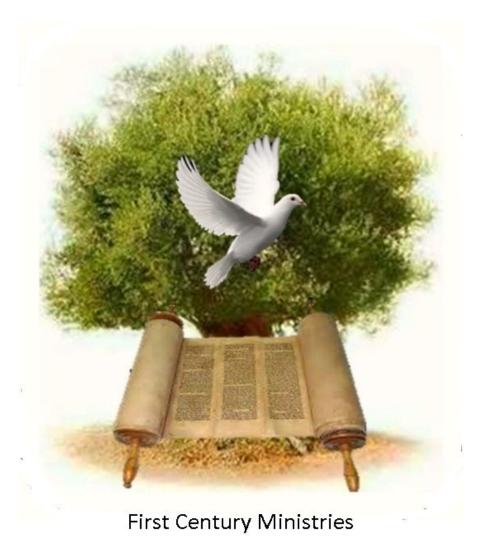
• 5th Day Exodus 15:27 – 16:10

Gospels

• 6th Day Exodus 16:11 – 36

Matthew 14:22 – 33

• 7th Day Exodus 17:1 – 16



Blessings and Shalom