

The Passover Meal

Leader

Blessed are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, creator of the fruit of the vine.

All

Praised are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe

All drink first cup of wine

Leader

Blessed are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, creator of the fruit of the earth

All dip lettuce into the salt water

Leader

This reminds us of the salt tears the slaves cried when they were in Egypt. The lettuce reminds us of the sweetness of hope even in those difficult times

All take a piece of Matzah

All

Why do we eat Matzah bread on this night?

Leader

Because when Pharoah let the Hebrews go from Egypt they had to leave very quickly so there was no time for the bread to rise they could only make flat unleavened bread

All drink the second cup of wine

Leader

This reminds us of the 12 plagues God sent on Egypt and the river Nile which turned to blood

All dip the Matzah into the bitter herb

All

Why do we have to eat the bitter herb?

Leader

Because the lives of the Hebrews were made bitter by their Egyptian masters

All drink the third cup of wine

All

Blessed are you, Lord our God, Ruler of the Universe, creator of the fruit of the vine

Leader

This seder is now over and we say together

All SHOUT

'Next year in Jerusalem'

I prepared this VERY simplified order for the Passover to share with my Year 3&4 as part of the 'Food and Festivals' study. The class is divided into groups of six, each having cups for the 'Ribena' wine, Matzos, horseradish sauce (bitter herbs) lettuce to dip into salt water.

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