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FOUR PROMISES, FOUR CUPS: REDEMPTION INTO COVENANT

Pesach is often defined as “freedom from slavery.” This is true, but the Torah’s framing goes deeper. The Exodus is not merely an escape from Egypt; it is the L-rd forming a covenant nation. Before Sinai, G-d states the goal in covenant language: “I will take you to Me for a people, and I will be to you a G-d” (Ex. 6:7).

In Exodus 6:6–7, redemption/liberation unfolds in four specific promises, often called the “four expressions of redemption.” In Jewish teaching, these are commonly associated with the four cups wine we drink at the Seder.

- **“I will bring you out”** (Separation): G-d breaks the yoke of oppression and brings His people out from under its burdens.
- **“I will rescue you”** (Release): We are no longer defined by Pharaoh’s ownership or Egypt’s system.
- **“I will redeem you”** (Redemption): The L-rd acts as Liberator “with an outstretched arm,” intervening with power and judgment on behalf of His people.
- **“I will take you”** (Covenant): The climax. Israel is claimed as the L-rd’s people in a “marital” relationship of belonging and obligation.

The first three promises are freedom *from*; the fourth is freedom *for*. The Torah insists that redemption culminates in relationship. It is belonging to the L-rd and living as His people.

This is why the four cups matter at the Passover (Pesach) Seder. The Mishnah requires four cups for all Israel at the Seder, even the poor, because Pesach is not a luxury observance. It is the shared inheritance of a liberated people.

This is also where Yeshua’s words at His final Seder resonate with biblical force. Luke records that “after supper” He took the cup and said, “This cup is the renewed covenant in My blood, which is poured out for you” (Luke 22:20). He is not importing a foreign theme into Pesach. He is speaking the language of covenant renewal promised to Israel and Judah (Jer. 31:31–34), where G-d pledges to write His Torah on the hearts of His people and restore them.

Stated simply, the Exodus created a nation. Messiah’s atoning death secures covenant renewal for that nation. The L-rd’s goal—“I will take you to Me”—is not merely external membership, but inward faithfulness. Pesach, therefore, is not only a memory of deliverance. It is a declaration of whose we are.

As we drink the cups this Pesach, we do more than recount history. We announce the shape of redemption: brought out, rescued, redeemed, and taken. **The question Pesach presses on us is not only “Are we free?” but “Whose are we?”**

We are His.

Join us for Shabbat service, every Friday evening at 7:30 PM.

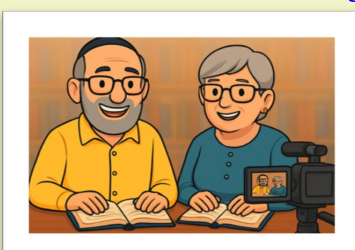
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 / 12 Adar	2 / 13 Adar Erev Purim	3 / 14 Adar  Purim	4 / 15 Adar Shushan Purim	5 / 16 Adar	6 / 17 Tevet Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM	7 / 18 Tevet Ki Tisa Informal Torah Discussion 5PM Shabbat Parah
8 / 19 Tevet	9 / 20 Tevet	10 / 21 Tevet	11 / 22 Tevet	12 / 23 Tevet	13 / 24 Tevet Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM	14 / 25 Tevet Vayakhel- Pekudei Shabbat HaChodesh
15 / 26 Tevet	16 / 27 Tevet	17 / 28 Tevet	18 / 29 Tevet	19 / 1 Nisan Rosh Chodesh Nisan	20 / 2 Nisan Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM	21 / 3 Nisan Vayikra Stump the Stars, 7 PM
22 / 4 Nisan	23 / 5 Nisan	24 / 6 Nisan	25 / 7 Nisan	26 / 8 Nisan	27 / 9 Nisan Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM	28 / 10 Nisan Tzav Yom HaAliyah Shabbat HaGadol
29 / 11 Nisan	30 / 12 Nisan	31 / 13 Nisan	<p>MISS A SERVICE? You can watch our services here: www.youtube.com/c/CongregationOhrChadash Audio recordings of the sermon are sent out every week. Email OhrChadashOffice@gmail.com to be added to the list!</p>			

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 / 14 Nisan Erev Pesach First Seder Tonight <i>enjoy your family seder</i> Ta'anit Bechorot	2 / 15 Nisan Pesach I	3 / 16 Nisan Shabbat Pesach Service, 7:30 PM Pesach II 1 Omer	4 / 17 Nisan Informal Torah Discussion 5PM Pesach III 2 Omer
5 / 18 Nisan Hag Hat'khiyah Service, 11:00 AM Philippe Park Pesach IV 3 Omer	6 / 19 Nisan Pesach V (CH'M) 4 Omer	7 / 20 Nisan Pesach VI (CH'M) 5 Omer	8 / 21 Nisan Pesach VII 6 Omer	9 / 22 Nisan Pesach VIII 7 Omer	10 / 23 Nisan Yom HaShoah Service, 7:30 PM 8 Omer	11 / 24 Nisan Shmini 9 Omer
12 / 25 Nisan 10 Omer	13 / 26 Nisan 11 Omer	14 / 27 Nisan Yom HaShoah 12 Omer	15 / 28 Nisan 13 Omer	16 / 29 Nisan 14 Omer	17 / 30 Nisan Yom HaAtzma'ut Service, 7:30 PM Rosh Chodesh Iyyar 15 Omer	18 / 1 Iyyar Tazria-Metzora Rosh Chodesh Iyyar Stump the Stars, 7 PM 16 Omer
19 / 2 Iyyar 17 Omer	20 / 3 Iyyar 18 Omer	21 / 4 Iyyar Yom HaZikaron 19 Omer	22 / 5 Iyyar Yom HaAtzma'ut 20 Omer	23 / 6 Iyyar 21 Omer	24 / 7 Iyyar Shabbat Service, 7:30 PM 22 Omer	25 / 8 Iyyar Achrei Mot-Kedoshim 23 Omer
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