Passover Chocolate Haggadah

March 28, 2004 6 Nisan 5764 3:00 p.m.

Note to Parents

Welcome to our Chocolate Seder. Today, you and your children will learn about the traditional order of the Passover Seder and the significance of some of the special Seder objects in a most untraditional way. Please help your child, or children, to follow the flow of the Seder. Participation in the readings, questions and answers are welcome and encouraged.

This will not be a scholarly lesson on Passover, but a fun family experience designed to help children understand the wonderful event about to take place in their homes, whether or not you plan to host a seder this year.

The Search for Limo Beans

In order to prepare our home for the Festival of Sweets, we must first make sure to remove any food that is not sweet. If we do not do this, we may accidentally forget that we have promised to eat only

sweets and eat what we usually do.

Order of the Passover Seder

SEDER means "order". Just as the traditional seder has its order, so does our not-so-traditional Chocolate Seder:

Kadesh	Recite the Kiddush over the Chocolate Milk				
Urchatz	Wash the hands				
Karpas	Dip the Spring Strawberry in Chocolate				
Yachatz	Breaking the middle matazh and hide half of it for the Afikoman				
Maggid	Tell the Passover Story				
Rachtza	Wash the hands before the meal				
Motzi Matzah Blessing over the Matzah					
Maror	Eat the Bittersweet Chocolate				
Korech	Eat the Bitter Chocolate and Matzah together				
Shulchan Orech Serve the Festival Meal					
T'zafun	Eat the Afikoman				
Barech	Say the Grace after sweets				
Hallel	Songs				
Nirtzah	Conclusion Pag	ge 2			

Kadesh

Read together the blessing over the Chocolate Milk.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, Creator of cocoa beans of the tree. Blessed are thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, Who chose us from all congregants and exalted us among congregations by giving us this holy confection. With pleasure you gave us this festival for enjoyment. At this day, the feast of chocolate, the season of our bondage (to the sugar), you have chosen us to remember Chocolate.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Who has enabled us to participate in this celebration of Chocolate.

Leaning to the left side, drink the First Cup of Chocolate Milk.

Urchatz

Wash your hands but do not say the blessing.

Karpas

Strawberries are a symbol of the Spring that is coming. The chocolate sauce represents that mud which comes with the spring rains.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, creator of the fruit of the earth and the material for umbrellas.

Dip Spring Strawberry in the Chocolate

Yachatz

This is the chocolate of affliction that our own forefathers used in the land of no-milk. We remember those who have slaved that we might fulfill our cravings.

Let all who crave chocolate come and eat! Now we are here; hopefully next year we will be in Hershey Park. Now we are slim; next year, if we eat too much chocolate, we will not be so slim.

We break the middle chocolate matzah and hide half of it as the Afikoman. Our Seder cannot end until the Afikoman has been eaten.

Maggid

Who can tell the Passover Story? Let us tell it together.

Do you know who Moses was?

Do you know where we were slaves?

Do you know where Moses led us?

Do you know what G-d did for us?

The Four Questions

Why is this night different from all other nights?

- 1) On all other nights we eat either peanut butter, chocolate, or a combination of both; a little peanut butter, a little chocolate, a lot of peanut butter, a lot of chocolate. On this night, why only chocolate?
- 2) On all other nights we don't even have chocolate matzah, why all of a sudden this change?

3) On all other nights we are not allowed to have chocolate for dinner. On this night, why only chocolate for dinner?

4) Got Milk?

The Answer

We were laborers in the land of no-milk and the Eternal our G-d brought us out from there with a strong hand and an outstretched arm. Now, if G-d had not brought out our forefathers from the land of no-milk, then even we, our children and our children's children, and our children's children might still have been enslaved. Therefore, even were we all wise, all people of understanding, and even if we were all learned in the Torah, it would still be our duty to tell the story of the departure from the land of no-milk. And the more one tells of the departure from the land of no-milk, the more is he or she to be praised.

The Plagues

Now it is time to stop and remember the hardships associated with chocolate. These hardships prevent us from being completely happy in our consumption of this delicacy. We pour our second glass of chocolate milk and remove one drop for each plague as a tear shed. A full glass of chocolate milk is a symbol of complete happiness; an incomplete glass symbolized our lack absolute joy.

1)	Thirst	6)	Wanting More
2)	Cough	7)	Headache
3)	Fat	8)	More Tummy Ache
4)	Tummy Ache	9)	Ants-in-the-Pants
5)	Cavities	10)	Zits

Bless the Second Cup of Chocolate Milk.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, creator of the cocoa bean of the tree.

Drink the Second cup of Chocolate Milk.

Rachtza

We wash our hands a second time as we prepare to eat even more chocolate.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, who has commanded us regarding the washing of our hands.

Motzi Matzah

Lift the three Matzahs and say:

Praised be you, Creator of sweets and calories, who has sanctified us by commanding our sweet tooth

to eat of this delicacy.

Maror

This bitter sweet chocolate we eat -- what is its meaning? The bittersweet chocolate is eaten to remind us of the bitter lives our forefathers led as slaves in the Land of no-milk.

Not all that is chocolate is sweet.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, who has commanded us regarding the consumption of the bitter sweets.

Eat Bittersweet Chocolate.

Korech

As Rabbi Wonka instructed his students, we now eat this sandwich as a reminder of those many nights of camping around the fire when our bellies were full and we ate more anyway.

Eat the S'mores.

SHULCHAN ORECH

It is time to eat

the Passover Feast!

T'zafun

After the main course, the, Afikoman, or dessert is distributed for all to share.

Barech

We say grace unto G-d in thanks for our Chocolate Feast.

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the Universe, creator of the cocoa beans of the tree.

Drink the Third Cup of Chocolate Milk.

It is time to fill a special cup for the Prophet Yoo-Hoo. We open the door *so* that the Prophet can hear us call and join us at our Seder table. This cup of chocolate milk is set aside for him.

Open door for the Prophet Yoo-Hoo

Now let us all call him so he may hear us wherever he is......

YOO-HOO!

Hallel

Dayenu

Nirtzah

I am ready to fulfill the commandment of drinking the last of the Four Cups. This recalls G-d's promise to the people of Israel, as it says, "Drink milk with chocolate so you will not be thirsty, as you were before I took you out of the land of no-milk!"

Bless the Fourth Cup of Chocolate Milk

Blessed art thou, Eternal our G-d, Ruler of the

Universe, Creator of cocoa beans of the tree.

Drink the Fourth Cup of Chocolate Milk.

Now our Seder is completed, every law and custom fulfilled. Just as we have merited to observe it this year, may we continue to do so in the years to come.

You who are pure, dwelling on high, raise up your chocolate craving people. Soon lead the thirsty of your flock, redeemed in sweetness, to candy land with joyous song...

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