

A Passover Prayer



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Tonight, as we tell the story of our ancestors' suffering and their eventual escape to freedom, we should also pause for a minute to think about those in Israel who continue to suffer as a result of acts of terrorism.

Please join families throughout the world in OneFamily's Call to Action. Recite the enclosed prayer at your seder table and help rebuild shattered lives.

To be recited in unison after the breaking of the middle Matzah:

This broken matzah reminds us of our brethren in Israel whose lives have been shattered by the unspeakable horrors of terrorism. It reminds us that there are families who are not able to fully celebrate Passover because of loved ones who are no longer with us. It brings to mind those broken souls who cannot partake of the Afikoman and rejoice in fulfilling its commandment.

We also recall our brothers and sisters who have been physically wounded and emotionally scarred during the struggle to live as Jews in the Land of Israel. We tell them now that they have not been forgotten.

As we celebrate our ancestors' liberation from slavery in Egypt – and the deliverance of the Jewish People to the Land of Israel, we say to the survivors of terror: We stand shoulder to shoulder with you in the quest to secure the freedom to live a life free of terror in Israel. We are committed to supporting you however we can.

“May it be Your will, Adonai our God and God of our forefathers, that the injured are healed, and the mourners are comforted. May You guard the brethren of Israel from all evil, and bring peace to our Land. As it is written, ‘May He who makes peace in the heavens, bring peace to us and all Israel. Amen.’