



A Special Reading for a Jewish World in Crisis

PASSOVER SUPPLEMENT

TO BE READ AFTER WE RAISE THE MATZAH THE FIRST TIME:

Matzah is not only the bread of our affliction but also the *lechem oni*, the bread of those in dire need.

Matzah is called that because of its purposeful lack of ingredients — only unleavened flour and water, nothing to make the dough rise, and it must be baked in haste ... the food of those with nothing, those who have left everything, in desperate need of a miracle.

This is the bread we took with us when we rushed out of Egypt to pursue our destiny and our peoplehood — to pursue life.

We think of the hardest-hit Israelis, the Jews of Ukraine, impoverished Jews in Argentina, and Jews facing rising antisemitism and need throughout the world who share in our desire for peace and better days.

We stand in solidarity with our Jewish family across the globe as we brave these painful times, finding resilience by standing with and supporting each other.

As we hold and acknowledge all of this at our Seder tables, let us do all we can to help and comfort one another and to build a future whose course we shape with every act of kindness.

We do this because we are responsible for one another, embodying the mighty hand and outstretched arm that has delivered our people throughout time.

