Passover (Living Festivals)

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Passover: Holidays: Worship - Central Synagogue Passover (Pesach) celebrates the deliverance of the Jewish people from Egypt. The eight-day festival of Passover is celebrated in the early spring, from the 15th to the 22nd day of the Hebrew month of Nisan. According to the Bible, this period commemorates the Israelites’ departure from Egypt.

Passover is one of the most important religious festivals in the Jewish calendar. Jews celebrate Passover as a time of remembrance and thanksgiving. The festival is marked by a seven-day ceremonial meal, known as the Seder, which recalls the story of the Israelites’ liberation from Egyptian slavery.

During Passover, Jews eat unleavened bread, a symbol of the Israelites’ hasty departure from Egypt. They also participate in the Haggadah, a text that tells the story of the Exodus and the commands of Passover. This includes the reading of the Four Cups of Wine, which symbolize the four stages of the Israelites’ liberation.

The Haggadah also includes the recitation of the Four Questions, which call attention to the differences between the slavery of the Israelites in Egypt and the freedom of the Jewish people today. These questions are followed by the recitation of the Four Amendments, which offer an opportunity for reflection and communal discussion.

The Passover Seder also features the eating of symbolic foods, such as bitter herbs and maror, which represent the bitterness of slavery. It also includes the reading of the Four Children, a text that compares the different ways the Israelites might have responded to their liberation.

The final section of the Passover Seder is the kiddush Levana, which is a blessing over the first cup of wine. This blessing is recited after the reading of the Haggadah and is a reminder of the importance of remembering the events of the Exodus.

Passover is a time of joy and celebration, as well as a time of reflection and introspection. Through the Seder, Jews continue the tradition of remembering the events of the Exodus and the deliverance of their ancestors from slavery.

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meaning and worth has a story to it. So it is with the festivals of Passover and Divali. Passover - Festival of Liberation - Chabad.org 27 Mar 2018. NBN Chol Hamoed Pesach Tiyul for Families - Transportation from Ramat. Ein Yael Living Museum will be hosting a special Pesach Festival.